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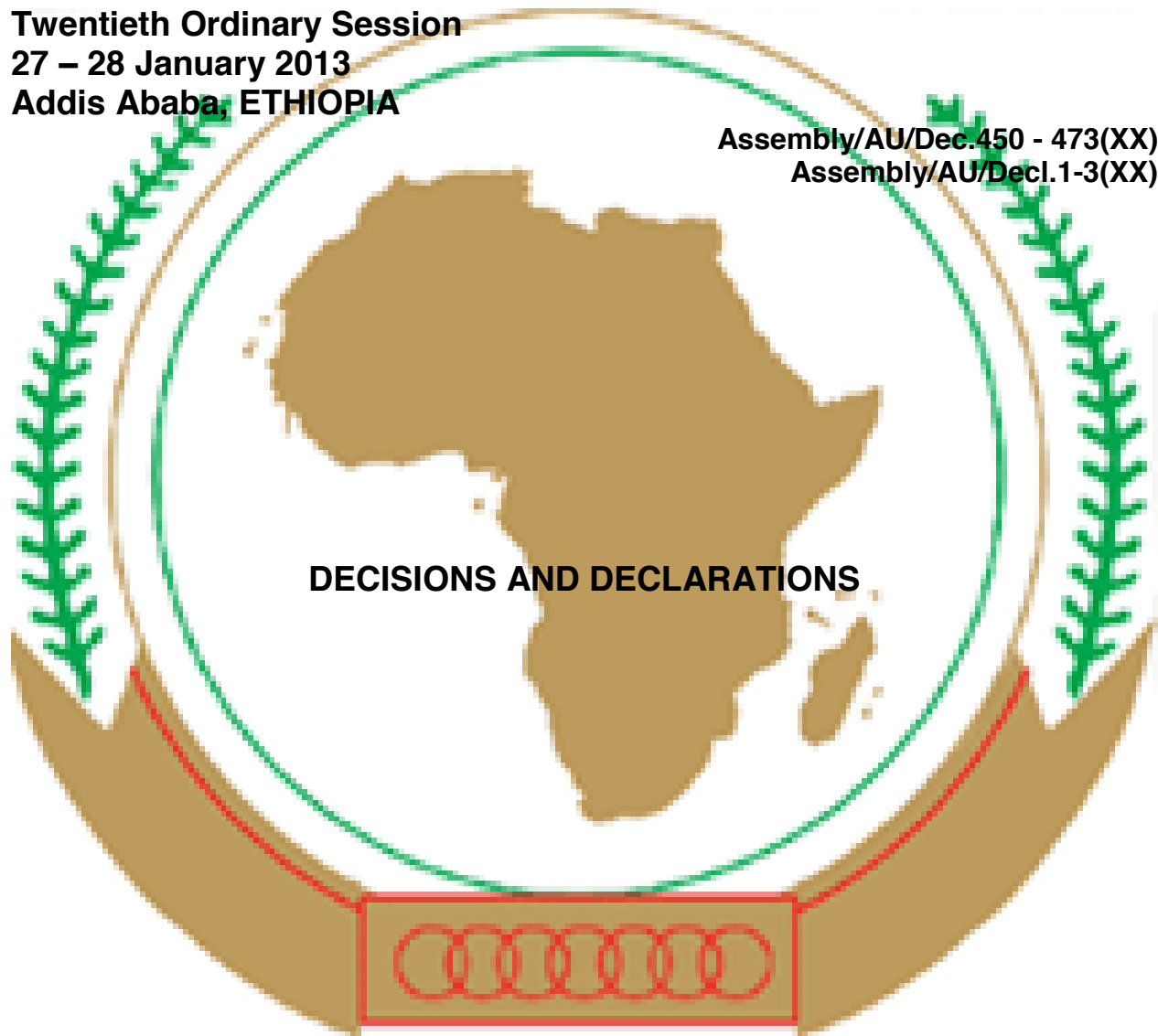
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**DECISION ON THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
OF TEN ON UN REFORM
Doc. Assembly/AU/5(XX)**

The Assembly,

1. **TAKES NOTE** with high appreciation of the Supplement to the last Report of His Excellency Dr. Ernest Bai Koroma, President of the Republic of Sierra Leone and Coordinator of the Committee of Ten Heads of State and Government on the Reform of the United Nations (UN) Security Council, and **FURTHER TAKES NOTE** of recent developments on UN Security Council reform since the last Report;
2. **COMMENDS** the efforts of the African Permanent Representatives to the UN in promoting and defending the continent's interest in the UN Security Council Reform, and of the African Permanent Representatives of the Committee of Ten to the UN for the commitment and determination in carrying out their mandate in participating in the Intergovernmental Negotiations on UN Security Council reform;
3. Whilst **REAFFIRMING** its strong commitment to the Ezulwini Consensus and Sirte Declaration containing the Common African position on reform of the UN Security Council; **STRESSES** the need for Africa to continue to speak with one voice and cohesively on all issues relating to the UN Security Council reform process;
4. **APPRECIATES** progress and developments to date directed at building alliances, dialoguing and engaging other interest groups and Member States in the reform process in support of the African common position, and **ENCOURAGES** the intensification of efforts to continue to build on and advance progress so made;
5. **REAFFIRMS** AU Decision, Assembly/AU/Dec.430(XIX) on the last Report of the Committee of Ten Heads of State and Government on the Reform of the United Nations (UN) Security Council;
6. **UNDERScores** the need for the Committee of Ten to continue, in collaboration with the Chief Executives of regional groupings, to intensify efforts in advocating, canvassing and promoting the African common position to reach out at the highest political levels for the purpose of garnering and galvanizing the necessary political will in support thereof, and to consider holding High Level meetings of the Committee of Ten outside margins of the Summit of the African Union, to discuss issues relating to the UN Security Council reform process including the intergovernmental negotiations, and the need to seek any guidance if necessary in furtherance of its mandate;

7. **REITERATES** that the Committee of Ten remains seized of this matter until Africa achieves its objectives on the reform of the UN Security Council and **REQUESTS** the Committee to present a report to the Twenty-First Ordinary Session of the Assembly in May 2013.

