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**DECISIONS, DECLARATIONS
AND RESOLUTIONS**



**DECISION ON THE FIFTEENTH REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF TEN
HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT ON THE REFORM OF
THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL
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The Assembly,

1. **RECALLING** Decisions Assembly/AU/Dec.573 (XXIII), Ext/Assembly/AU/Dec.1 (IV), Assembly/AU/Dec.430 (XIX) and Assembly/AU/Dec.485 (XXI), **TAKES NOTE** of the Fourteenth Report of the Committee of Ten Heads of State and Government on the reform of the United Nations Security Council;
2. **ALSO TAKES NOTE** of the recent developments in the Intergovernmental Negotiation on the United Nations Security Council reform; including the high level meetings of the Committee of Ten held in Nairobi on 17 November 2014;
3. **WHILST TAKING NOTE with APPRECIATION** the progress made so far in engaging Member States of the United Nations in garnering support for the Common African Position; **COMMENDS** the Committee of Ten for its commitment at the highest level in canvassing and promoting the Common African Position on United Nations Security Council reform and related matters;
4. **REAFFIRMS** its strong commitment to the Ezulwini Consensus and Sirte Declaration containing the Common African Position;
5. **WELCOMES** the efforts of the Permanent Representatives of the African Union Member States to the United Nations in promoting and defending the continent's interest in the United Nations Security Council reform process **AND ENCOURAGES** the Permanent Representatives of the Committee of Ten to the United Nations to continue intensifying efforts towards building alliances in support of the Common African Position with diverse interest groups engaged in the Intergovernmental Negotiation and advance progress so made;
6. **REITERATES ITS CALL** for Africa to continue to speak with one voice and cohesively on all issues relating to the United Nations Security Council reform and related matters; and **UNDERScores** the overriding need to ensure that the interest of Africa continues to be maintained and safeguarded at all times in the on-going Intergovernmental Negotiation on Security Council reform;
7. **FURTHER UNDERScores** the need for the Committee of Ten to continue to intensify efforts in advocating, canvassing and promoting the Common African Position and to reach out at the highest political levels for the purpose of garnering and galvanizing the necessary political will in support thereof, and to continue holding high level meetings outside the margins of the Summit of the African Union, with a view to further promoting the Common African Position and building on the gains made so far;

8. **REQUESTS** the Commission to continue to facilitate the activities of the African Permanent Representatives of the Committee of Ten to the UN in the Intergovernmental Negotiation on UN Security Council reform and related consultations thereon;
9. **DECIDES** to include an allocation in the Commission's regular Budget for the purpose of funding the activities of the Committee of Ten from the General Fund;
10. **REITERATES** its call that Member States of the African Union include the issue of the reform of the Security Council among the priorities of their foreign policy while engaging with non-African Partners; in particular, to include in their statements at the United Nations General Assembly Debate the need to redress the historical injustice the continent continues to suffer;
11. **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 next Ordinary Session of the Assembly in June 2015.

