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**DECISIONS, DECLARATIONS
AND RESOLUTION**



DECISION ON THE EXTRAORDINARY AFRICAN UNION SUMMIT ON MARITIME SECURITY AND SAFETY AND DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA

The Assembly,

1. **RECALLS** its Decision Assembly/AU/Dec.583(XXV) on the Report of the Peace and Security Council on its Activities and the State of Peace and Security in Africa adopted in Johannesburg, and in particular , paragraph 22 relating to the extraordinary African Union Summit on Maritime Security and Safety and Development in Africa to be held in Lome, Togo, adopted at its Twenty-fifth Ordinary Session held in Johannesburg, South Africa, in June 2015; relating to;
2. **TAKES NOTE** of the postponement of the Extraordinary Summit scheduled for Lome, Togo to ensure adequate preparations;
3. **DECIDES** to hold the said Summit on **15 October 2016** in Lome, Togo, to be preceded by the preparatory session of the Permanent Representatives Committee and of the Executive Council;
4. **REQUESTS** the Commission to expedite the preparations, in collaboration with government experts and relevant Specialized Technical Committees (STCs), including the review of relevant documents with a view to ensuring the development, adoption and signing of an African Charter on Maritime Security and Safety and Development at the said Summit;
5. **WELCOMES**, in this regard, the offer by the Government of Togo to host a preparatory meeting of one of the relevant Specialized Technical Committee;
6. **REQUESTS** the Commission to report on the implementation of this decision to the next ordinary session of the Assembly, through the Executive Council, in July 2017.