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DECISIONS AND DECLARATIONS

**DECISION ON THE REPORT OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT
IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE ON NEPAD
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The Assembly:

1. **TAKES NOTE WITH APPRECIATION** of the report presented by the Chairperson of the NEPAD Heads of State and Government Implementation Committee, H.E. Olusegun Obasanjo, President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria;
2. **WELCOMES** the Africa Commission as an important step towards the mobilization of international assistance for the implementation of NEPAD and commends its efforts in this regard;
3. **CALLS UPON** the international community to support NEPAD and in particular calls on the G8 countries to:
 - a) cancel all debts of African countries and take practical steps to urgently implement such cancellation;
 - b) double development assistance to Africa and improve its quality *inter alia* by channeling such increase through multilateral development institutions and by augmenting the budgetary support component of it;
 - c) take the necessary steps to complete the Doha round of trade negotiations at the earliest possible time so as to provide free and non-reciprocal access to their markets for African countries and eliminate export subsidies for agricultural products.