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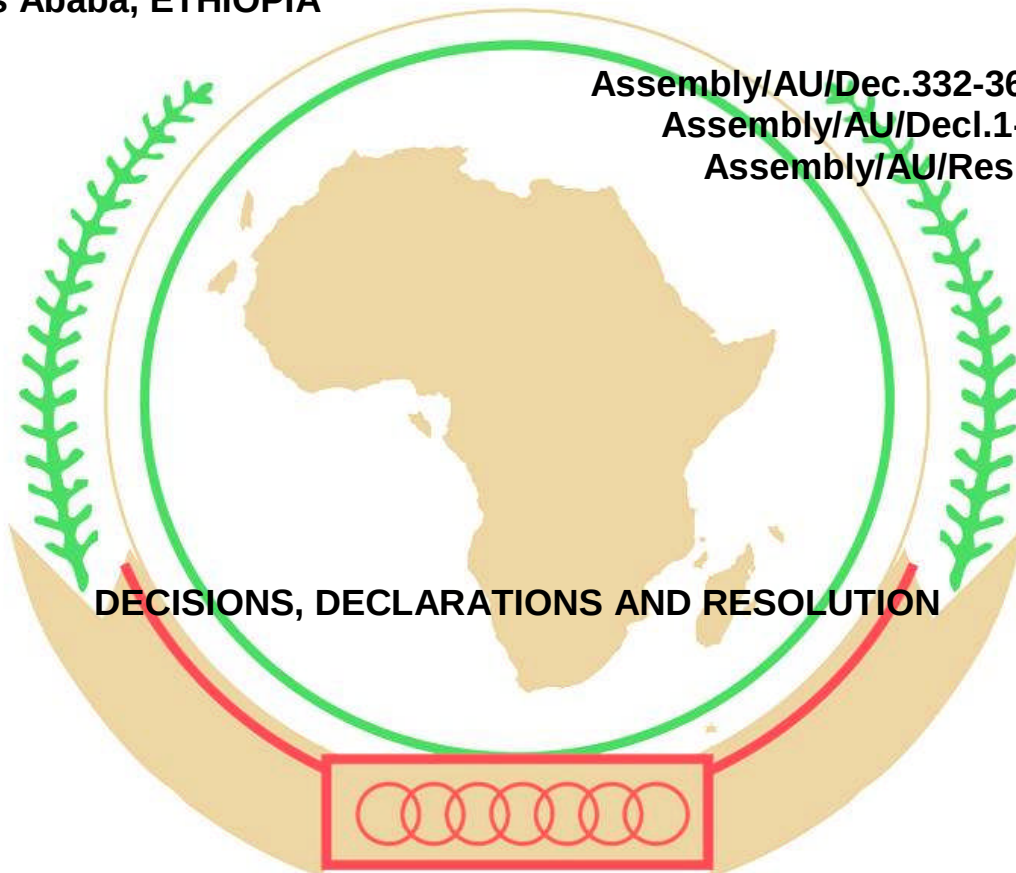
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DECISIONS, DECLARATIONS AND RESOLUTION

**DECISION ON THE MANDATORY APPLICATION OF THE PRINCIPLE OF
GEOGRAPHICAL REPRESENTATION IN ALL AFRICAN UNION
ORGANS WITH ELECTED MEMBERS
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The Assembly,

1. **NOTES WITH APPRECIATION** the proposal by the Government of the Republic of Chad relating to the mandatory application of the principle of geographical representation in all African Union Organs which have elected members;
2. **EXPRESSES SATISFACTION** at the relevance of the observations contained in the presentation note of the Republic of Chad and their conformity with the spirit of the principles of the Constitutive Act of the African Union;
3. **RECALLS** the importance of the scrupulous respect of this principle for the sake of equity and equal participation of all the regions in the AU activities;
4. **REQUESTS** the Commission to ensure the respect of the principle of geographical representation in all African Union Organs with elected members, except in cases where a region which has been duly informed has not presented candidates;
5. **FURTHER REQUESTS** the Commission to take into account the mandatory application of the principle of geographical representation in the elaboration of legal instruments on the transformation of the AU Commission into an AU Authority.

