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The PeaceandSecurity Councilof the African Union(AU), at its327thmeetingheld on 14July 2012,adopted the following decision on the situation in Guinea Bissau:

Council,

1. **Takes noteof** the briefingmade by the Commissioner for Peace and Security on the evolving situation in Guinea Bissau, as well as of the briefing by the Chair of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), the United Nations and Angola, as Chair of the Community of Portuguese Speaking Countries (CPLP);

2. **Recalls its** earliercommuniques on the situation in Guinea Bissau, and **commends** ECOWAS for the efforts deployed to address the situation in the country;

3. **EncouragesECOWAS** to pursue its efforts, in close coordination with the other relevant international actors, notablythe CPLP, the African Union, the United Nations and the European Union, towards the implementation of the decisions relating to the return to constitutional order in Guinea Bissau;

4. **Commends** the Government of the Republic of Angola for the role played by MISSANG, and **encourages** it to continue its contribution to the process for a way out from the crisis. Council **also commends** the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria for its contribution to the ongoing efforts of ECOWAS in Guinea Bissau

5. **Welcomes** the ongoing consultations towards the early convening of a meeting of the International Contact Group on Guinea Bissau;

6. **Decides** to remain actively seized of the matter.