DECISION ON THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON IMPLEMENTATION OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL DECISION EX.CL/DEC.1157(XL) OF FEBRUARY 2022 ON ECOSOCC

The Executive Council,

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Office of the Legal Counsel as well as the observations and comments of Member States;

2. **EXPRESS ITS APPRECIATION** to:
   
   i) The Commission, the ECOSOCC Secretariat and the other members of the Interparental Team for their efforts that led to the successful outcomes of the Fourth ECOSOCC General Assembly.
   
   ii) the Republic of Kenya for successfully hosting the meeting of the Fourth ECOSOCC General Assembly in Nairobi in December 2022; and
   
   iii) the Republic of Zambia for continuous support to the ECOSOCC and its Secretariat as the seat of the Organ.

3. **COMMENDS** the ECOSOCC in its efforts, to mobilize all national and regional CSOs and grass root Organizations to facilitate their constant interaction as well as the establishment of National Chapters of ECOSOCC within the Member States, to effectively achieve a people-centered Union in line with AU Agenda 2063 Framework;

4. **ALSO RECALLS** its decision EX.CL/Dec.890(XXVII) and **COMMENDS** ECOSOCC Secretariat and in close consultation with the Commission, AU organs and Member States to finalize the harmonized accreditation system and clear criteria for the granting of AU consultative and observer status to CSOs in Africa;