DECISION ON THE REPORT OF THE INTERIM CHAIRPERSON ON THE  
PROTOCOL ON RELATIONS BETWEEN THE AU  
AND THE RECS  
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The Executive Council:

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Progress Report of the Interim Chairperson on the preparation of a draft Protocol on Relations between the AU and the RECs;
2. **REQUESTS** the Commission to speed up the preparation of a new Protocol on Relations between the AU and the RECs and to keep Member States informed of progress;
3. **URGES** all RECs to cooperate with the Commission in order to ensure a speedy conclusion of a new Protocol;
4. **REQUESTS** the Commission to widen the consultations on the draft new Protocol to also involve Member States and other stakeholders;
5. **REQUESTS** the Commission to present the draft new Protocol to the next meeting of the Executive Council.