

## **DECISION ON THE SYMBOLS OF THE AFRICAN UNION**

### **The Executive Council:**

- 1. TAKES NOTE** of the Activity Report of the Interim Chairperson;
- 2. DECIDES** that the deadline for submitting entries for the competition be extended to 31 October 2003;
- 3. REQUESTS** the concerned countries from each of the five (5) African Regions to expeditiously submit to the Commission the name and contact address of their expert to serve on the Pre-selection Panels, and that these Panels be convened as early as possible;
- 4. FURTHER REQUESTS** that:
  - a. the outcome of the Pre-selection exercise be presented to the next Session of the Executive Council due to take place in February-March 2004;
  - b. the conclusions of the February-March 2004 Executive Council Session be submitted to the next session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government slated for July 2004.
- 5. DECIDES** that, pending the adoption of the new symbols of the Union, the symbols of the OAU should continue to be used whenever the need arises.