DECISION ON THE BUDGET OF THE PAN-AFRICAN PARLIAMENT FOR THE PERIOD JULY TO DECEMBER 2004 DOC. EX.CL/90(V)

The Executive Council:

- 1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Budget proposed by the Bureau of the PanAfrican Parliament;
- 2. ALSO TAKES NOTE of the observations made by the Permanent Representatives' Committee on the said Budget;
- **3. REQUESTS** the Commission, in collaboration with the Bureau of the Pan-African Parliament, to prepare a new budget, taking into account the directives of the Executive Council, namely that:
 - Member States should bear the expenses for the participation of members of the Pan-African Parliament, including the members of the Bureau and the Committees (air ticket, per diem and other related expenses) at the statutory meetings of the PanAfrican Parliament and its Committees during the first 5 years of its existence;
 - ii) Members of the Bureau shall not reside at headquarters during the first 5 years of the existence of the Parliament;
 - iii) the Member State hosting the headquarters of the Parliament should be requested to provide furnished and equipped premises for the Parliament;
 - iv) for the period July to December 2004, the Commission should continue to provide Secretariat services to the Pan-African Parliament, in compliance with the provisions of the Protocol;
 - v) sitting and responsibility allowances, as well as the Solidarity Fund, medical insurance and other allowances for members of the Pan-African Parliament should continue to be borne by Member States during the said 5 year period;
 - vi) the duration of sessions should be reviewed downwards.

4. **AUTHORIZES** the Permanent Representatives' Committee to consider and approve the Budget for the period July to December 2004 that will be submitted by the Commission and submit a report thereon at the Extraordinary Session of the Executive Council in November 2004.