**DECISION ON THE STATUTES OF THE AFRICAN  
ACADEMY OF LANGUAGES (ACALAN)  
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**The Executive Council:**

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report;
2. **RECALLS** Decision CM/Dec.613 (LXXIV) on the Establishment of the African Academy of Languages (ACALAN) adopted by the Council of Ministers of the OAU in Lusaka, Zambia, in July 2001;
3. **APPROVES** the Draft Statutes for the establishment of the African Academy of Languages (ACALAN) as an AU Specialized Office to be located in Bamako, Republic of Mali;
4. **COMMENDS** the Government of the Republic of Mali for hosting the ACALAN;
5. **RECOMMENDS** the Draft Statutes to the Assembly for adoption;
6. **REQUESTS** the Commission to follow-up on the establishment and overall activities of ACALAN;
7. **CALLS UPON** UNESCO and other relevant partners to support and cooperate with the Commission in promoting the activities of ACALAN.