**DECISION ON THE MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS  
OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSiON  
EX.CL/291(IX)**

The Executive Council:

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report and the Recommendations of the PRC with regard to the upcoming elections of the Members of the Commission scheduled for July 2007;
2. **DECIDES** to establish, in conformity with Article 14 of the Statutes of the Commission, a Ministerial Panel composed of two (2) Member States per Region assisted by a team of consultants to be appointed in consultation with the Chairperson of the Commission;
3. **REQUESTS** the various Regions to submit the names of their respective representatives (on the Panel) to the Commission by 31st July 2006;
4. **MANDATES** the Panel to work out the modalities and procedures for the pre-selection, selection and elections of the Members of the Commission and to submit a report and appropriate recommendations thereon to the next Ordinary Session of the Executive Council, in January 2007;
5. **REQUESTS** the Chairperson of the Commission to provide the necessary assistance and support to the Panel.