

**DECISION ON FAST TRACKING CAADP-MALABO COMMITMENTS FOR
ACCELERATING AGRICULTURE TRANSFORMATION IN AFRICA THROUGH
BIENNIAL REVIEW MECHANISM AND AFRICA AGRICULTURAL
TRANSFORMATION SCORECARD**

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The Assembly,

- 1. RECALLS** Decision **Assembly/AU/Decl.1 (XXIII)** adopting the Declaration on Accelerated Agricultural Growth and Transformation for Shared Prosperity and Improved Livelihoods in Africa and which also calls on the Commission and NEPAD Planning and Coordinating Agency (NPCA), in collaboration with partners, to conduct on a biennial basis, beginning from year 2017, Agricultural Review Process, and report on progress to the Assembly at its January 2018 Ordinary Session;
- 2. TAKES NOTE** of the Inaugural Biennial Review Report on the Implementation of the June 2014 Malabo Declaration on Accelerated Agricultural Growth and Transformation for Shared prosperity and Improved Livelihoods, and the highlights of its findings on Intra-African Trade for Agriculture Commodities and Services: Risks and Opportunities;
- 3. RECOGNISES** the efforts of the Commission in mobilizing key stakeholders and development partners to build partnership with Member States and the Regional Economic Communities (RECs) for establishing a mechanism for monitoring, evaluation and reporting, in a more aligned manner, on the progress made in implementing the commitments of the Malabo Declaration;
- 4. COMMENDS** the positive response of Member States in conducting self-assessments, inclusive validation process and providing information for the preparation of the inaugural report to the Assembly of the African Union on the progress in achieving our common goals on agricultural transformation in Africa; while noting challenges faced by Member States in collecting and compiling quality data to report progress on all goals and targets set in the commitments of the Malabo Declaration;
- 5. NOTES** with satisfaction the enormous efforts invested by Member States in implementing Declaration **Assembly/AU/Decl.1 (XXIII)** to accelerate achievement of commitments made in the Malabo Declaration; while recognizing that, for the insufficient performances shown by Member States in several cases to reach the common set goals, considerable efforts and attention are still needed to rally itself to the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP) implementation by domesticating the Malabo commitments in National Agriculture Investment Plans;

6. **RECOMMITS** to take further actions in implementing the Africa Agriculture Transformation Agenda within the CAADP framework by increasing investment finance for agriculture, strengthening institutional capacity for implementation, improving coordination mechanisms to achieve concrete results and impacts leading to shared prosperity and improved livelihoods for African citizens;
7. **CALLS UPON** all Member States to mobilize adequate technical and financial resources in supporting agricultural data systems, monitoring and evaluation systems and strengthen mutual accountability structures to trigger evidence based planning for agriculture transformation;
8. **REQUESTS** the Commission to work closely with Member States, technical and financial development partners, the private sector and civil society, to mobilize the required support to strengthen mutual accountability, agricultural data systems and knowledge management, institutionalize the biennial review mechanisms and the Africa Agricultural Transformation Scorecard to ensure peer learning and scaling up of Agriculture Transformation Agenda embedded in the Malabo Declaration.