

**DECISION ON THE ELECTION OF THE CHAIRPERSON OF  
THE AFRICAN UNION FOR 2020**

**The Assembly,**

- 1. RECALLS** Decision Assembly/AU/Dec.635(XXVIII), adopted at the 28<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Session of the Assembly held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, in January 2017, which stated that in order to ensure continuity and effective implementation of Assembly decisions, a troika arrangement between the outgoing, the current and the incoming African Union Chairperson shall be established, and that in this regard, the incoming Chairperson shall be selected one year in advance;
- 2. ALSO RECALLS** the principle of rotation for Chairpersonship of the African Union, and takes into account that 2020 will be the turn of the Southern Region;
- 3. TAKES NOTE** of the outcome of the consultations by the Southern Region as reported by the Republic of South Africa, Dean of the latter;
- 4. DECIDES** that the incoming Chair of the African Union for 2020 will be the Republic of South Africa.