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### **THE PAN-AFRICAN PARLIAMENT,**

**CONSIDERING** Article 17 of the Constitutive Act of the African Union establishing the Pan-African Parliament with a view to ensuring the full participation of African peoples in the development and economic integration of the continent,

**CONSIDERING ALSO** Article 3 of the Constitutive Act of the African Union whose objectives are, inter alia, to accelerate political and socio-economic integration of the continent; promote international cooperation, taking due account of the Charter of the United Nations and the Universal Declaration on Human Rights; promote sustainable development at the economic, social and cultural levels as well as the integration of African economies; coordinate and harmonize the policies between the existing and future Regional Economic Communities for the gradual attainment of the objectives of the Union,

**CONSIDERING FURTHER** Article 3 of the Protocol to the Treaty establishing the African Economic Community relating to the Pan-African Parliament and Article 4 (a) of the Rules of Procedures of the Pan-African Parliament,

**RECALLING** the need to implement UNIDO programmes on industrial development in Africa,

In accordance with Rule 5 (d) of the Rules of Procedure of the Pan-African Parliament which gives it the authority to make recommendations and take resolutions on any matters relating to the African Union and its organs, Regional Economic Communities and their respective organs, Member States and their organs and institutions,

### **HEREBY RECOMMENDS THAT**

1. African countries should harmonize their trade policies to facilitate commercial activities and exchanges with other countries of the continent, in particular, by signing conventions/agreements;
2. Member States should diversify their economies and invest in long-term development projects or in economic areas, so as to achieve large-scale industrial development in Africa;
3. Leaders of Member States should support UNIDO programmes and sign its partnership programs for industrial development;
4. Universities should assist industries in exploring new fields of knowledge and developing the human capital;
5. The implementation process of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) should be accelerated;
6. The African Union Commission should submit a legal framework for industry and transport.

**Adopted at Midrand, Republic of South Africa**

**on 17 May 2019**