**DECISION ON PAYING THE REPRESENTATION ALLOWANCE  
TO COMMISSIONERS - DOC. PRC/RPT (XV)**

The Executive Council:

**1. TAKES NOTE** of the Permanent Representatives Committee’s recommendation that payment of hospitality allowance of US$250.00 per month paid to Commissioners be recovered as recommended by the External Board of Auditors;

**2. ALSO TAKES NOTE** of the AU Commission’s representation and the appeal made that the allowance has been paid to the elected officials since 1984;

3. APPROVES as follows:

a) that all previous payments up to 31 December 2007, be retroactively endorsed;

b) that approval has been granted with effect from January 2008 to continue payment of this allowance.