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## DECISION ON THE AUDIT OF COMMISSION BUDGET EXECUTION ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013 Doc. EX.CL/828(XXV)iv

## The Executive Council,

- **1. TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Permanent Representatives Committee on the Audit of Budget Execution of the Commission for the year 2013;
- **2. REQUESTS** the Commission:
  - i) To address the issues contained in the Audit Report of the 2013 Budget Execution Analysis and implement the recommendations accordingly;
  - ii) To take punitive measures against staff members/departments that fail or delay to submit necessary periodic reports as required by the partners' agreements;
  - iii) To always determine from the AU Partners whether their contributions would be in cash or kind and allocate accordingly. In future, the Commission should avoid allocating contribution in kind on activities that require cash remittance. In cases where the Partners pay for program activities directly, such expenditures should be included in Budget Execution reports accordingly.
- **3. URGES** the Commission to make necessary efforts to improve the implementation rate of the planned programs during the year;
- **4. REQUESTS** the Commission to report on the implementation of this decision during the AU Summit of June/July 2015.