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The Executive Council,

- **1. TAKES NOTE** of the recommendations of the Permanent Representatives' Committee (PRC) on the Report of the PRC Sub-Committee on Multilateral Cooperation on its activities relating to Africa's Strategic Partnerships;
- **2. ENDORSES** the recommendations contained in the Report.

ON THE AFRICA-INDIA FORUM SUMMIT:

- **3. WELCOMES** the launch of the Plan of Action, and **ENCOURAGES** both parties to take steps to implement it;
- **4. REQUESTS** Member States and the Commission to speed up response to various proposals that India offers under the Africa India Forum Summit;
- **5. FURTHER REQUESTS** the Commission and the PRC through its Sub-Committee on Multilateral Cooperation to take initiatives with a view of accelerating the implementation of the Africa-India Joint Implementation Action Plan in the interest of Africa;
- **6. APPROVES** the locations of the Institutions, the Vocational Training Centres; and the Prototype Low Cost Houses that India will establish in Africa, as well as the Research and Technical Institutions that India will support;
- **7. REQUESTS** Member States and the Commission to take appropriate action to follow-up and to report on the implementation of projects on regular basis;
- **8. REITERATES** its request to Member States and the Commission to ensure a sustained popularization of the Africa-India Cooperation Framework in terms of the inherent opportunity therein, so that the people from both sides could access the programmes and activities for their mutual benefit;
- **9. DECIDES** that the Second Africa-India Forum Summit be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia from 23 to 27 May 2011 and **CALLS ON** the Commission, the PRC through its Sub- Committee on Multilateral Cooperation, and India to expedite preparations for the Summit.

ON THE AFRICA-SOUTH AMERICA (ASA) SUMMIT:

10. TAKES NOTE of the challenges encountered by the African side with respect to the management of the ASA process;

- **11. EMPHASISES** the absolute need for a meeting of the ASA Coordination Mechanism to take place urgently, with a view to bringing clarity on programmes, meetings and venues, as well as the dates that must be mutually agreed upon;
- **12. REQUESTS** the Commission and the PRC through its Sub- Committee on Multilateral Cooperation to make concrete proposals for consideration by Council before the next meeting of the Coordination Mechanism;
- **13. ENCOURAGES** continuation of the preparations for the next ASA Summit in the Great Libyan Arab Jamahiriya in 2011, and **CALLS ON** the Great Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the African Coordinator (Nigeria), the PRC through its Sub-Committee on Multilateral Cooperation and the Commission to make proposals for consideration by Senior Officials before the Summit;
- **14. REQUESTS** both sides to give effect to the Implementation Plan adopted in New York in September 2010;
- **15. ALSO REQUESTS** both sides to examine the mandate and the functioning of the Secretariat including the Office of the Secretary General of the Strategic Presidential Committee:
- **16. REITERATES** that the African side will be represented in the Strategic Presidential Committee by one (1) Head of State or Government from each of its five (5) regions and AU according to a predetermined mandate.

ON AFRICA- SOUTH KOREA FORUM:

- **17. ENCOURAGES** efforts made to complete an Implementation Plan which should focus on continental and regional actions and programmes without prejudice to ongoing bilateral activities;
- **18. FURTHER ENCOURAGES** the African side to make specific proposals on programmes and projects for consideration by the Korean side.

ON THE AFRICA-TURKEY PARTNERSHIP SUMMIT:

- **19. ADOPTS** the "Joint Implementation Plan of the Africa Turkey Partnership 2010 2014";
- **20. WELCOMES** the launch of the Joint Implementation Plan of the Africa Turkey Partnership 2010 2014, and **ENCOURAGES** both parties to take steps to implement it;
- **21. REQUESTS** the Commission and the PRC through its Sub-Committee on Multilateral Cooperation to prepare for the Mid-Term Ministerial meeting in 2011, in accordance with the 2008 Istanbul Declaration, at a date and venue to be

determined through consultations.

ON THE AFRICA - EUROPEAN UNION (EU) PARTNERSHIP:

- **22. REQUESTS** the PRC through its Sub-Committee on Multilateral Cooperation to be fully involved in the implementation of the outcome of the Third Africa EU Summit held in Tripoli, Great Libyan Arab Jamahiriya on 28 and 29 November 2010 as well as in the management of the Partnership which should also be centrally coordinated within the Commission;
- **23. URGES** both parties to enhance the implementation of the Joint Strategy and in particular the Second Action Plan.