

**DECISION ON AFRICAN RESEARCH AND INNOVATION COUNCIL  
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**The Executive Council,**

- 1. TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Fifth Ordinary Session of the African Union Conference of Ministers in charge of Science and Technology (AMCOST V) in Brazzaville, Republic of Congo, from 12<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> November 2012;
- 2. RECALLS** the Assembly Decision Assembly/AU/Dec.216 (VII) on the need to establish an African Research Council;
- 3. FURTHER TAKES NOTE of** the efforts made by the Commission and UNECA for the feasibility study on the establishment of the African Research and Innovation Council and **REQUESTS** the Commission to prepare practical modalities to follow up the study;
- 4. REQUESTS** the Commission to establish a small unit within its existing structure and resources to implement the Decision of the Assembly.