

**DECISION ON MEMBER STATES' CONTRIBUTIONS**  
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**The Executive Council,**

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Sub-Committee on African Union Member States' Contributions;
2. **COMMENDS** the countries that are up-to-date in their contributions;
3. **INVITES** Member States to pay their contributions on time and **ENCOURAGES** other Member States that are in arrears to clear the amounts owed;
4. **COMMENDS** the Republic of Seychelles with special commendations for honouring its commitments vis-a-vis the African Union;
5. **EXPRESSES SERIOUS CONCERN** on the obstructions imposed by external powers on the transfer of the Republic of Sudan's contributions to the Union and **REQUESTS** the Commission to work with the Republic of The Sudan to find ways and means to make the payment;
6. **RECOMMENDS** that sanctions be imposed against the following Member States for non-payment of contributions:
  - i) Central African Republic;
  - ii) Republic of Guinea Bissau;
7. **RECALLS** the AU regulations on payment of Contributions and **REITERATES** the commitment of all AU Member States to implement it and **DECIDES** that on an exceptional basis, given the efforts made by the People and State of Madagascar to join again the family of the African Union after a long standing crisis, to suspend temporarily the sanctions against Madagascar;
8. **URGES** Madagascar to clear its contribution arrears at least 30 days before the commencement of the next session of the Executive Council in July 2014;
9. **REQUESTS** the Federal Republic of Somalia to start paying its contribution normally as from January 2014 by arranging with the Commission to establish a convenient schedule for payment of its arrears;
10. **REQUESTS** the Commission to impose disciplinary sanctions against Departments that fail to submit their reports to partners on time, so as to avoid delays in the release of partner funds.