

**DECISION ON THE SCALE OF ASSESSMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF
ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF FINANCING THE AFRICAN UNION
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The Executive Council,

- 1. TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Ad-Hoc Ministerial Committee on the review of the scale of assessment;
- 2. RECALLS** Assembly Decisions ref. Assembly/AU/Dec.561(XXIV) and Assembly/AU/Dec.578(XXV);
- 3. RECOMMENDS** to the Assembly to review its previous decision that Angola be assessed at twelve percent (12%) to eight percent (8%) and that the short fall of the four percent (4%) be equitably shared by Member States falling in Tiers 2 and 3;
- 4. ALSO RECOMMENDS** that the attached table of scale of assessment forms part of the decision on the new scale of assessment;
- 5. REQUESTS** the PRC to ensure the following:
 - i) That its Sub-Committee on Administrative, Budgetary and Financial Matters is strengthened, reformed and renamed as the Sub-Committee on General Supervision and Coordination on Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters;
 - ii) Enlarge the mandate of the said Sub-Committee to henceforth, also perform a general coordinating and supervisory role in collaboration with the other relevant Sub-Committees;
 - iii) That the Sub-Committee is used as the platform for Member States to effectively interact and exchange with the Commission, on a quarterly basis;
 - iv) It receives, through the said Sub-Committee, quarterly reports from the Commission on the Operational and Program budget's performance, execution and absorption. These reports will serve as a basis for deliberations for the next disbursement of funds;
 - v) It receives, through the said Sub-Committee relevant information from the Commission on the status of contributions by Member States and Partners;
 - vi) It reports and makes appropriate recommendations thereon to the Policy Organs.
- 6. ALSO REQUESTS** the PRC to establish a PRC Sub-Committee on Budgetary Matters which will:

- i) Be specifically responsible for the Technical evaluation of the AU draft budget;
- ii) Monitor, on a quarterly basis, the efficient utilization of financial resources and budget implementation;
- iii) Reinforce the technical evaluation of the draft budget and in this regard urges Member States to enlist the assistance of experts from their Ministries of Finance, to participate in the deliberations of the said Sub-Committee;
- iv) The Membership of this Sub-Committee shall be a Committee of the Whole.

7. **DECIDES** to restructure the Ad-hoc Ministerial Committee on the Scale of Assessment as follows:

- i) Becomes a Standing Ministerial Committee on the Scale of Assessment;
- ii) For the purposes of streamlining and enforcing the collection of contributions, the Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee on the Scale of Assessment shall take over the mandate of the PRC Sub-Committee on Contributions which shall henceforth be abolished;
- iii) The Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee on the Scale of Assessment shall therefore, be reformed and renamed as the Ministerial -Committee on the Scale of Assessment and Contributions.

8. **FURTHER DECIDES** that upon implementation of the alternative sources of funding of the Union, and to ensure accountability and transparency, the Board of External Auditors, shall:

- i) Submit its reports simultaneously to the Chairperson of the Commission and that of the PRC through the Chairperson of the PRC Sub-Committee on General Supervision and Coordination on Budgetary, Finance and Administrative matters;
- ii) Submit an interim report to the PRC before the June/July ordinary session of the Executive Council every year;
- iii) Submit its reports directly to the Sub-Committee on General Supervision and Coordination on Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters every six (6) months;
- iv) Be re-constituted and henceforth be composed of five (5) nominated members (one per region) plus the members of the first tier.

9. **DECIDES** that the Ministerial Committee on the Scale of Assessment and Contributions shall remain seized of the matter of scale of assessment with a view to:

- i) Revising and aligning the mandates of other relevant Sub-Committees of the PRC and existing mechanisms;
- ii) Clarifying the interaction between all the relevant Sub-Committees and existing mechanisms affected by the proposed re-structuring pursuant to Assembly Decisions Assembly/AU/Dec.561 (XXIV) and Assembly/AU/Dec. 578(XXV) adopted by the 24th Ordinary Session held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia and 25th Ordinary Session held in Johannesburg, South Africa in January and June 2015 respectively.

10. REQUESTS the following:

- i) The Commission, particularly the Office of Legal Counsel, to provide all the necessary support to ensure the implementation of the above decision;
- ii) The Commission to assist the Permanent Representatives of the Ministerial Committee on Scale of Assessment and Contributions in the review of the Terms of Reference of the relevant Sub-Committees and mechanisms affected by the proposed re-structuring;
- iii) The Ministerial Committee on the Scale of Assessment and Contributions to report on the implementation of this decision to the next ordinary session of the Executive Council scheduled for July 2016.

Member States	Scale of Assessment %
Nigeria	12.000
South Africa	12.000
Egypt	12.000
Algeria	12.000
Total 1st Tier	48.000
Angola	8.0000
Sudan	3.4036
Libya	3.3416
Kenya	2.8186
Ghana	2.4616
Tunisia	2.4206
Ethiopia	2.3706
U.R. of Tanzania	1.7376
Cote d'Ivoire	1.6776
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	1.5696
Cameroon	1.5386
Zambia	1.4166
Uganda	1.2226
Total 2nd Tier	33.9796
Gabon	1.1766
Equatorial Guinea	0.9686
Mozambique	0.9526
Botswana	0.9236
Senegal	0.9226
South Sudan	0.8796
Congo	0.8476
Chad	0.8446
Zimbabwe	0.8326
Namibia	0.7786
Burkina Faso	0.7666
Mauritius	0.7606
Mali	0.7006
Madagascar	0.6866
Benin	0.5546
Rwanda	0.5136
Niger	0.5036
Guinea	0.4356
Sierra Leone	0.3606
Togo	0.3286
Mauritania	0.3196
Malawi	0.2986
Swaziland	0.2976
Eritrea	0.2776
Burundi	0.2366

Lesotho	0.2106
Liberia	0.1926
Cape Verde	0.1876
Central African Republic	0.1686
Djibouti	0.1646
Seychelles	0.1606
Somalia	0.1576
Guinea-Bissau	0.1366
Gambia	0.1296
Saharawi Arab D.R.	0.1256
Comoros	0.1186
Sao Tome and Principe	0.0986
Total 3rd Tier	18.0204
TOTAL	100.0000