

**DECISION ON THE REPORT OF THE 4TH CONFERENCE OF AFRICAN
MINISTERS RESPONSIBLE FOR CIVIL REGISTRATION
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The Executive Council,

1. **TAKES NOTE** and **ADOPTS** the Declaration of the Fourth Conference of Ministers Responsible for Civil Registration, held in Nouakchott, Mauritania, from 7 to 8 December 2017;
2. **RECOGNIZES** that the implementation of Agenda 2063 and Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development will require comprehensive, accurate and timely statistics generated from Civil Registration and Vital Statistics (CRVS) systems and particular attention needs to be given to demographic dividend and population movement;
3. **ACKNOWLEDGES** the progress and achievements made by Member States in the implementation of the resolutions and declaration of the past three conferences, particularly in conducting their comprehensive assessments as a basis for developing action plans for improvement of their CRVS systems;
4. **REQUESTS** Member States to include refugees, internally displaced persons and persons at risk of statelessness in civil registration and vital statistics systems and factor them into improvement strategies and scaling-up plans;
5. **APPROVES** the recommendations set out in the Ministerial Declaration of the Fourth Conference of African Ministers Responsible for Civil Registration;
6. **MANDATES** the Commission, in collaboration with the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, and partners, including the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa and the African Development Bank, to make necessary arrangements for the organization of a Workshop under the title: "*African Union Building Capacity Workshop on CRVS*" in 2018, in Nouakchott, Mauritania;
7. **RECOMMENDS** that August 10 be declared as the Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Day and **CALLS UPON** Member States to commemorate this Day.