

DECISION ON THE REALIGNMENT OF THE LEGAL INSTRUMENTS
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The Executive Council,

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the PRC recommendations on the alignment of the Rules of Procedures of the Assembly, the Executive Council, the Permanent Representatives' Committee, and the Statute of the Commission;
2. **RECALLS** Decision Ext/Assembly/AU/Dec.1(XI) requesting the Commission to align all relevant legal instruments, in line with the Institutional Reform;
3. **FURTHER RECALLS** Decision EX.CL/Dec.1040(XXXIV) requesting the Commission to further review and finalize all relevant legal instruments and submit a report, as well as, the amended version of the legal instruments through the PRC to the 36th Ordinary Session of the Executive Council in January/February 2021;
4. **ALSO RECALLS** Decision Assembly/AU/Dec.597(XXV)) requesting the Commission to expedite the work of the PRC Sub-Committee on Rules, Standards and Credentials to incorporate into the revised Rules of Procedures on the streamlining of Summit and Working Methods of the African Union;
5. **COMMENDS** the PRC on the progress achieved in the alignment and **REQUESTS** the PRC to urgently conclude the process and present the Draft Legal Instruments to the 37th Ordinary Session of the Executive Council in June/July 2020;
6. **NOTING** that this is a transitional period from the old electoral system of the Members of the Commission to the new modalities adopted as per Decision Ext/Assembly/AU/ Dec.1(XI);
7. **RECOMMENDS** to the Assembly that flexibility be availed within the timeline for the electoral process, as prescribed by Decision Ext/Assembly/AU/ Dec. 1 (XI) of November 2018, leading to the upcoming election of the Members of the Commission in February 2021, and that this flexibility should not exceed a total of 75 days.