DECISION ON THE ACTIVITY REPORT OF THE AFRICAN UNION COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL LAW (AUCIL) Doc. EX.CL/1208(XXXVI)

The Executive Council,

- **1. TAKES NOTE** of the Activity Report of the African Commission on International Law (AUCIL) for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2019, and the recommendations therein;
- **2. FURTHER TAKES NOTE** that 2020 marks the Tenth (10th) Anniversary of the operationalization of the AUCIL;
- **3. INVITES** the Specialised Technical Committee (STC) on Justice and Legal Affairs to include a permanent agenda item on the "Progressive Development and Codification of International and African Union Law";
- **4. TAKES NOTE** of the Study and recommendations on the amendments of AUCIL Statute; and, in accordance with its Article 26 of the AUCIL Statute, **DECIDES** their transmission to the STC on Justice and Legal Affairs for consideration;
- **5. RECALLS** the offer of Equatorial Guinea to host the AUCIL Secretariat and **CALLS ON** the PRC and the AUC, to expeditiously finalize the structure of an independent AUCIL Secretariat, the process of its relocation, and submit a report upon the adoption of the amendments;
- fakes Note of the AUCIL for the timely completion of the study on the legal implications of amending Article 5(1) of the Protocol on the Establishment of the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights to grant the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child direct access to the Court, and DECIDES its transmission to the STC on Justice and Legal Affairs for consideration, prior to the submission of concrete recommendations on the way forward to the Executive Council.