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THE PAN-AFRICAN PARLIAMENT,

CONSIDERING Article 17 of the Constitutive Act of the African Union on the establishment of the Pan-African Parliament to ensure the full participation of African peoples in the development and economic integration of the continent;

CONSIDERING Article 3 of the Protocol to the Treaty Establishing the African Economic Community Relating to the Pan-African Parliament, and Rule 4 (a) of the Rules of Procedure of the Pan-African Parliament, which empower the PAP to facilitate the implementation of policies, objectives and programmes of the African Union and to oversee their effective implementation;

TAKING NOTE of the terminal report of the Committee on Audit and Public Accounts, October 2019, including the recommendations formulated therein, as well as the various observations made by the PAP Members during the Plenary discussions;

NOTING WITH CONCERN the continued lack of implementation of several audit recommendations previously made by the external auditors, the AU Board of External Auditors as well as the Committee on Audit and Public Accounts;

IN ACCORDANCE WITH Rule 5(b), (c) and (d) of the Rules of Procedure of the Pan-African Parliament, which empowers the PAP to, inter alia, organize debate, discuss, express an opinion, make recommendations and take resolutions on the objectives and on any matters relating to the African Union and its organs, Regional Economic Communities, Member States and their organs and institutions;

NOW HEREBY RECOMMEND:

1. To the AU to observe Article 11 (2) of the Protocol to the Treaty Establishing the African Economic Community Relating to the Pan-African Parliament 2003 on the budget of the PAP and the budgets of the AU by submitting all AU budgets to the PAP, for examination, debate and adoption prior to approval by the Assembly;
2. To the Policy Organs of the AU to restore the 50% cut in the budget for MPs' medical insurance and to afford the PAP Members the status, benefits and entitlements due to "Elected Officials under the AU regulations, rules and policies;
3. To the AU Policy Organs to expedite the revision of the annexes to the Host Agreement between the AU and South African Government relating to the PAP.

Done at Midrand, South Africa on 17 October 2019.