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PEACE AND SECURITY COUNCIL 384™ MEETING 5 JULY 2013 ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA

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## **COMMUNIQUE**

The Peace and Security Council of the African Union (AU), at its 384<sup>th</sup> meeting, held on 5 July 2013, adopted the following decision on the phenomenon of unconstitutional changes of government in Africa:

## Council,

- 1. **Acknowledges** the need to devote one of its meetings to consideration of lessons learnt from all cases of unconstitutional changes of government in Africa, including the definition and status of popular uprisings or revolutions;
- 2. **Recalls** Assembly Decisions Assembly/AU/Dec.220 (XII) and Assembly/AU/Dec.253 (XIII) adopted respectively in February and July 2009, in the context of the implementation of preventive measures against unconstitutional changes of government;
- 3. **Decides** to hold such a meeting in the course of 2013;
- 4. **Requests** the Commission to take necessary measures, including documentation for the convening of the said meeting;
- 5. **Decides** to remain actively seized of the matter.