DECISION ON THE HIGH-LEVEL PANEL'S REPORT FOR ASSESSING CANDIDATE COUNTRIES TO HOST THE AFRICAN SPACE AGENCY Doc. EX.CL/1118(XXXIV)

The Assembly,

- 1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Executive Council decision on the Report of the Commission on the High-Level Panel's Report for Assessing Candidate Countries to Host the African Space Agency;
- 2. **RECALLS** Decision Assembly/AU/Dec.589(XXVI), adopted at the 26th Ordinary Session held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, in January 2016, wherein the Assembly adopted the African Space Policy and Strategy and requested the Commission to carry out consultations with a view to evaluating the legal, structural and financial implications for the creation of a continental African Space Agency (AfSA) and report to the Assembly through the relevant structures;
- **3. ALSO RECALLS** Decision Assembly/AU/Dec.676 (XXX) of January 2018 wherein the Assembly adopted the Statute of African Space Agency;
- **4. COMMENDS** the Panel for carrying out a transparent and sound technical assessment;
- **5. DECIDES** that the African Space Agency will be hosted by the Arab Republic of Egypt;
- 6. CALLS UPON the RECs and all development partners to support the operationalization of the African Space Agency.