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CONSIDERING paragraph 2 of the final Communiqué of the Conference on Education for the Liberation of Africa held in Sebha, in the Great Jamahiriya from 20 to 25 March 1988;

CONVINCED that the building of the African Union is the very will of the peoples above all;

CONSIDERING the challenges facing Africa in the framework of changes which have taken place in the international arena, making the African people face up to their problems;

CONVINCED of the importance of an education and research consultative institutions on the African continent;

TAKING into account the experience acquired by similar regional and international institutions, notably the United Nations University, the European University and the positive impact of these universities' activities;

THEREFORE RECOMMENDS;

The creation of the University of Africa that will have as its mission:

1. helping carry out the objectives and principles of the African Union;
2. making available a unified science platform on the African continent which is a centre of expertise for the African Union for scientific consultations, benefiting from African experiences and saving Africa from brain drain;
3. supporting a unified African solidarity to create a feeling for the continent resting on a common destiny;
4. promoting a unified African spirit entrenching the vision of the African Union;
5. empowering political, administrative, cultural, economic and scientific leaders amongst those convinced of the unity of the African spirit with a view to building the African Union and leading to the establishment of a United States of Africa;
6. co-ordinating African research centre activities regroup African experiences in the different discipline for the development of the continent;
7. co-operating with regional and international educational research institutions so as to benefit from aids given by these institutions;
8. identifying the challenges facing the future of Africa and make recommendations relating to the African Union;
9. developing programmes likely to make African identity concepts a reality and guarantee the acceleration of the necessary integration to bring about a unified Africa with a single image.