

**DECLARATION ON EQUATORIAL GUINEA**  
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**The Assembly:**

1. **EXPRESSES** its concern over the recurrence of the phenomenon of mercenarism and its consequences on the security and stability of African countries;
2. **CONDEMNS** the acts of mercenarism perpetrated against the Government of Equatorial Guinea on 7 March 2004;
3. **COMMENDS** South Africa, Angola and Zimbabwe for their cooperation with Equatorial Guinea which made it possible to foil this destabilization attempt;
4. **URGES** all countries of the Continent to take the necessary steps to combat the planning and preparation of acts of mercenarism on their territories. In this regard, the Assembly **CALLS** on Member States to promote greater exchange of information and adopt appropriate legislations against mercenarism;
5. **REAFFIRMS** the commitment of the African Union to combat the phenomenon of mercenarism, in compliance with the OAU Convention on the Elimination of Mercenarism in Africa;
6. **REQUESTS** the Chairperson of the Commission to transmit this Decision to the United Nations Security Council, for the adoption by this organ of a resolution on mercenarism.