

**DECISION ON THE INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF THE CONFERENCE
OF AFRICAN MINISTERS IN CHARGE OF INTEGRATION
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The Assembly:

- 1. TAKES NOTE** of the Report and the Declaration of the First Conference of African Ministers in charge of Integration held in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, from 30 to 31 March 2006, on the Rationalization of Regional Economic Communities (RECs);
- 2. MANDATES** the Commission, in collaboration with the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), the African Development Bank (ADB) and RECs, to implement the roadmap for the rationalization process (quantification studies of the scenarios, seminars and workshops for the benefit of stakeholders) and submit a report to the Assembly in July 2007;
- 3. DECIDES** to institutionalize the Conference of Ministers in charge of Integration which will meet once a year in ordinary session and in extraordinary session when necessary, pending rationalization of the Specialized Technical Committees (STCs).