DECISION ON THE REPORT ON AFRICA'S PARTICIPATION IN THE NAGOYA CONFERENCE ON BIODIVERSITY Doc. Assembly/AU/15(XVI) Add.3

The Assembly,

- 1. **NOTES WITH APPRECIATION** the report presented by the Republic of Gabon on Africa's participation in the Nagoya Conference on Biodiversity;
- 2. **CONGRATULATES** the President of the Gabonese Republic His Excellency Mr. Ali Bongo ONDIMBA on all the efforts and initiatives undertaken to promote and protect the Continent's biological diversity;
- 3. APPROVES the recommendations contained in the report and, in particular, AGREES on the following measures:
 - i) Include biological diversity among the priorities of the African Union;
 - ii) Encourage Member States of the African Union to become "Parties" to all the Conventions on Biodiversity;
 - iii) Integrate the proposal within the existing structures;
- 4. REQUESTS the African Union Commission to incorporate the above measures in its programmes and submit, on regular basis, a report on the implementation of this Decision.

