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The Assembly,

- 1. TAKES NOTE of the Report of the Coordinator of the Committee of Heads of State and Government on Climate Change (CAHOSCC), H.E. Meles Zenawi, Prime Minister of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia on the Global Conference on Climate Change and the Sixth Conference of Parties (COP) to the Kyoto Protocol held in Cancun, Mexico from 29 November to 10 December 2010;
- 2. COMMENDS the efforts of H.E. Meles Zenawi, Prime Minister of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia as well as the African negotiators including the CAHOSCC Coordinators at Ministerial and Experts' levels and the Commission under the leadership of CAHOSCC, in championing and defending the African Common Position on Climate Change and in advancing a united African voice;
- 3. CONGRATULATES H.E President Jacob Zuma and the Republic of South Africa as the Host of COP 17 in Durban, South Africa on behalf of Africa in December 2011;
- **4. ENDORSES** the recommendation for CAHOSCC to liaise with South Africa, hosting COP 17 and COP/MOP 7 that will be held in Durban, South Africa from 28 November to 9 December 2011 because COP 17 is for Africa;
- 5. ALSO ENDORSES CAHOSCC to hold a meeting in preparation for COP 17 scheduled in Durban, South Africa in December 2011;
- 6. FURTHER ENDORSES CAHOSCC recommendation for African Green Development Fund, as part of Green Climate Fund, with a view to ensuring a significant part of the later be apportioned for Africa;
- 7. REQUESTS the Commission to:
 - a) Liaise with Republic of South Africa and AfDB on having an African Pavilion at COP 17;
 - b) Make adequate preparations to support the African Group of Negotiators (Experts) in the preparatory Climate Change talks leading to COP 17;
 - c) Convene an African Conference of Ministers responsible for Climate change to finalise the documents as part of the preparation for COP17;
- **8. URGES** all Development Partners to support the African Negotiators and the Commission in the global negotiations leading to COP 17 and beyond.