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**PREPARATORY MEETING OF EXPERTS FOR THE FOURTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF THE
SPECIALIZED TECHNICAL COMMITTEE ON DEFENCE, SAFETY AND SECURITY.**

9 – 10 MAY 2022

DRAFT PROGRAMME

DAY 1: 9 MAY 2022

09:00 – 09:20

SESSION I – OPENING CEREMONY

- Minute of Silence in honour of African Peacekeepers and Victims of Violence in Africa
- Statement by the Representative of the African Union Commission
- Statement by the Representative of the Republic of Senegal as Chair of the African Union

09:20 - 09:30

Adoption of the Agenda and the Bureau assume their roles and responsibilities (Chair - Republic of Senegal; 1st Vice Chairperson – (Pending Member State nominations); 2nd Vice Chairperson – The State of Libya; 3rd Vice Chairperson - Republic of Angola; Rapporteur - Democratic Republic of Congo)

09:30 – 10:15

SESSION II – PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT OF THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMISSION

10:15-10:30

TEA BREAK

10:30 –11:15

SESSION III – PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE AFRICAN UNION AND THE REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMUNITIES AND REGIONAL MECHANISMS ON THE AFRICAN STANDBY FORCE

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- 11:15 – 12:30** **SESSION IV – PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT (2021-2025) WORK PLAN ON THE ENHANCEMENT OF THE AFRICAN STANDBY FORCE**
- 12:30 – 13:15** **SESSION V – UPDATES ON AFRICAN UNION BORDER ISSUES**
- 13:15 – 14:00** **LUNCH**
- 14:00 – 14:45** **SESSION VI – UPDATES ON THE AFRICAN UNION PEACE FUND**
- 14:45 – 15:30** **SESSION VII – PEACE ENFORCEMENT AND THE UTILIZATION OF THE AFRICAN STANDBY FORCE**
- 15:30 – 16:15** **SESSION VIII – PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT POLICY ON CHILD PROTECTION IN AFRICAN UNION PEACE SUPPORT OPERATIONS AND DRAFT POLICY ON MAINSTREAMING CHILD PROTECTION IN AFRICAN PEACE AND SECURITY ARCHITECTURE**
- 16:15 – 16:30** **SESSION IX - UPDATES ON UNCONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT**
- 16:30 – 17:15** **SESSION X - UPDATES ON AU EFFORTS IN COMBATTING TERRORISM**
- 17:15 – 18:00** **SESSION XI - UPDATES ON STRATEGIC LIFT CAPABILITIES**
- 18:00 – 20:00** **DRAFTING, TRANSLATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE REPORT OF EXPERTS (SECRETARIAT)**

DAY 2 – 10 MAY 2022

- 09:00 - 12:00** **DRAFTING AND TRANSLATION OF THE REPORT OF EXPERTS BY THE SECRETARIAT**
- 12:00 – 13:00** **CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF EXPERTS**
- 13:00 – 14:00** **LUNCH**
- 13:00 – 14:00** **CLOSING**