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INVITATION TO MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES

Theme: *“Addressing the Impact of Drought, Floods and Declining Commodity Prices in Africa: What Coping Strategies and Capacity are required?”*

What: African Union Commission (AUC), African Capacity Building Foundation (ACBF) Ministerial Roundtable

When: 3RD April 2016, 09:00AM-12:30PM

Where: UN Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA), Conference Centre Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Who: African Union Commission and African Capacity Building Foundation

Participants: Ministers and representatives of member States, regional economic communities, United Nations agencies, pan-African financial institutions, African academic and research institutions, development partners and other intergovernmental organizations. Invitations will also be extended to other cooperating partners, non-governmental organizations and the private sector.

Objectives:

- Sharing perspectives on the nature, depth and width of the current deteriorating financial and economic crisis facing the continent;
- Sharing ideas and experiences regarding immediate, short-term and medium term policy measures and interventions aimed at containing the deteriorating financial and economic situation, mitigate adverse effects of drought and floods and deal effectively and efficiently with the looming humanitarian situation

Expected outcomes:

A communique that summarizes main points raised on the nature and enormity of the crisis, viable interventions and pragmatic responses

Journalists are invited to cover the Ministerial roundtable discussion on Sunday 3rd April 2016, from 09:00AM – 12:30PM at the UNECA Conference Centre, immediately after a Press briefing address by the Commissioner of Economic Affairs AUC

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