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## 37<sup>th</sup> Session of the NEPAD Heads of State and Government Orientation Committee

### INVITATION TO MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES

**When:** 9<sup>th</sup> February 2019

**Time:** 10h30 (Opening Session)

**Where:** African Union New Conference Centre

**Media briefing: 11h45**

**Venue:** Medium Conference Hall, African Union Conference Centre, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

### Background:

During the African Union Summit in Nouakchott, Mauritania, in 2018, African Heads of State and Government approved the establishment of the African Union Development Agency (AUDA-NEPAD). The decision was officially taken to transform the NEPAD Planning and Coordination Agency into the African Union Development Agency as the technical body of the AU.

The AUDA-NEPAD Heads of State and Government Orientation Committee (HSGOC) provides leadership to the NEPAD process, sets policies, priorities and the programmes of action.

The 37<sup>th</sup> Session of the HSGOC will receive opening statements from:

- H.E Macky Sall, President of the Republic of Senegal and Chairperson of the NEPAD Heads of State and Government Orientation Committee (HSGOC);
- H.E. Moussa Faki Mahamat, Chairperson of African Union Commission; and
- H.E. Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda and Chairperson of the African Union.

Journalists are invited to cover the official opening ceremony and participate in the press briefing at the African Union Conference Centre during the closing session of the HSGOC, which will be presided over by incoming Chairperson of AUDA-NEPAD Heads of State and Government Orientation Committee.

### **Media enquiries :**

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