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Venue: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

INAUGURATION OF THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE COMMITTEE OF INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY SERVICES (CISSA)

Invitation to the representatives of the media

What: Side event during the 33rd AU Summit: Inauguration of the Headquarters of the Committee of Intelligence and Security Services (CISSA) in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

When: Sunday, 9th February 2020

Time: From 13:00 -15:00 hrs.

Where: African Union Headquarters,

Who: Hosted by President Obiang Nguema Mbasogo of Equatorial Guinea

Highlights for the media include:

- Welcome remarks by the Executive Secretary of CISSA.
- Remarks by the Chairperson of CISSA.
- Speech by the Chairperson of the African Union Commission (or his Representative).
- Inaugural speech by the President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea.
- A group photograph and end of the ceremony.

Media representatives are invited to cover the side event of the Inauguration of the Headquarters of the Committee of Intelligence and Security Services in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia on 9th February 2020.

Note to the Editors:

The decision to establish CISSA was made on 26 August 2004 in Abuja, Nigeria by Heads of Intelligence and Security Services of Africa. At the January 2005 AU Mid-Term Assembly of the Union, the Heads of State and Government endorsed the establishment of CISSA through Decision 62. The creation of CISSA was necessitated by the need to share information on security threats confronting Africa,

which have become transnational in nature and therefore require borderless cooperation and collaboration among and between Intelligence and Security Services in Africa.

The Mandate of CISSA is to provide the African Union Commission (AUC) and its Member Services with timely and insightful intelligence, which would assist them in making informed decisions. It is also a platform where Member Services exchange intelligence, expertise and experiences while dealing with common threats that affect the continent.

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