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**EXPERTS WORKSHOP ON MARITIME
SECURITY AND SAFETY
6 - 7 APRIL 2010
ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA**

DRAFT PROGRAMME

**“TOWARDS A STABLE, SECURED AND CLEAN AFRICAN MARITIME
DOMAIN FOR A PROSPEROUS AFRICA”**

DAY 1: 6 APRIL 2010

09:00 – 10:00 Registration of participants

10:00-10:20 OPENING

- Statement by the Commissioner for Peace and Security
- Statement by the Commissioner for Infrastructure and Energy
- Statement by the representative of the country chairing the Union

10:20-13:00 SESSION I: THREATS AND VULNERABILITIES IN AFRICA’S MARITIME DOMAIN

- Presentations:
 - **Illegal fishing**
Mr. Alhaji Jallow, Senior Fisheries Officer, FAO Regional Office for Africa.
 - **Environmental threats**
Ms. Rachel Shebesh, UN International Strategy for Disaster Reduction champion for disaster risk reduction in Africa.
 - **Arms & Drug trafficking**
Ms. Ainura Bekkoenova, UNODC
 - **Human trafficking**
Mr. Olawale Maiyegun, AUC’s Dir. for Social Affairs
 - **Environmental threats**
Ms. Michelle Ntab Ndiaye, Executive Director, Greenpeace Africa.
 - **Piracy**
Hon. Prof. Abdurahman Adam Ibrahim, Somali 1st Deputy-Prime Minister and Minister of Fisheries and Marine resource.

- Discussion

11:00-11:25 Group Photo

Coffee Break

11:25-13:00 SESSION I (CONTINUED)**Challenges.**

- **African Maritime Security Strategy**
Admiral J. Mudimu, Chief of the South African Navy, Chair of the Sea Power for Africa Symposium.
- **Interagency Challenges in Maritime Governance**
Dr Paul Musili Wambua, University of Nairobi School of Law.
- **Rewards of a Well Managed African Maritime Domain**
Captain Frank c. Van Rooyen, South African Institute of International Affairs.

13:00-14:30 Lunch

14:30 -17:00 SESSION II: ONGOING MARITIME SECURITY INITIATIVES IN AFRICA

- At continental level
 - **African Standby Force / Maritime Strategic Lift**
Captain Kobus Maasdorp, Planning Officer, African Standby Force
 - **Water, Resources and Environment Initiatives**
Dr. Timamy Khalil, AUC Department of Rural Economy and Agriculture
 - **AUC Initiative against illegal Trafficking**
Mr. Olawale Maiyegun, AUC's Dir. for Social Affairs
 - **African Maritime Transport Charter: AU Policy and Strategic Framework on Maritime Safety and Security and Protection of Environment**
Mr. Imed Zammit, AUC Department of Infrastructures and Energy.
 - **Regional Centre for the Maritime Security of Central Africa**
Captain Dobo Mantam, Chief of ECCAS Naval Component
 - **Maritime Aspect of the AU Border Programme**
Amb. Aguibou DIARRAH
- Regional and other initiatives
 - **Multinational Coordination Centre**
CDR Sylvester Fonkoua, Commander, Multinational Coordination Centre.
 - **The Maritime Organization of West and Central Africa (MOWCA) Initiative**
Mr. Addico Magnus, SG, MOWCA.

15:30-15:45 Coffee Break

15:45-17:00 SESSION II (CONTINUED)

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DAY 2: 7 APRIL 2010**09:00-10:45 SESSION III: INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS ON MARITIME SECURITY AND SAFETY**

- Presentations :
 - Legal aspects
 - Maritime Security in the context of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea**
 - Mr. Vita Onwuasoanya, Associate Law of the Sea/Ocean Affairs Officer, Division for Ocean Affairs and Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations.
 - Mr. Bright Mando, Legal Officer (Inter African Matters), Office of the Legal Counsel, AUC.
 - Political and other related aspects
 - Land-based package to address piracy off the coast of Somalia**
 - Mr. Walid Musa Abdelkarim, Head Somalia Team, UN Dept of Political Affairs
 - Training/Capacity Building
 - Africa Maritime Safety and Security Agency umbrella programme and sub projects along with the Maritime Safety and Security International Centre of Excellence**
 - Ms. Karen Sumser-Lupson (Dr), International Relations, Marine/Maritime Project Management, Marine Institute- University of Plymouth.
- Discussion

10:45-16:00 PREPARATION OF THE WORKSHOP'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS (SESSION OPENED TO AU MEMBER STATES ONLY)

12:30-15:00 Lunch Break

16:00-17:30 SESSION IV: CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE WORKSHOP'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS AND CLOSING (SESSION OPENED TO AU MEMBER STATES ONLY)

- Adoption of the Workshop's report and recommendations
- Closing