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DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME

09h00 – 09h30 **Opening Ceremony (Open Session)**

i. Opening Statement by H.E. Louise Mushikiwabo, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and East African Community of the Republic of Rwanda and Chairperson of the Executive Council
ii. Statement by H.E. Vera Songwe, Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa
iii. Statement by H.E. Moussa Faki Mahamat, Chairperson of the African Union Commission
iv. Group Photo

09h30-09h45 **Coffee Break**

09h45 – 13h00 **Closed Session Member States, Heads of AU Organs and CEOs of RECs, UNECA, AfDB)**

i. Adoption of the draft agenda and the draft programme of work

ii. Consideration and adoption of the report of the Permanent Representatives' Committee

a) Report of the 5th Meeting of the African Union Ministers of Trade

b) Report of the Specialized Technical Committee (STC) on Justice and Legal Affairs on the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) Legal Instruments

c) Draft African Common Position on ACP Post 2020

13h00 – 16h30	**Lunch Break**
16h30 – 17h30	**i.** Adoption of the draft decisions of the 18th Extraordinary Session of the Executive Council **ii.** Consideration of the draft agenda and draft programme of work of the Extraordinary Session of the Assembly **iii.** Consideration of the draft Assembly decisions and declaration on the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA)
17h30 – 17h45	**Closing Ceremony (Open Session)**
.	Closing Statement by H.E. Louise Mushikiwabo, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and East African Community of the Republic of Rwanda and Chairperson of the Executive Council