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The 26th Ordinary Session of the Permanent Representatives Committee officially opens tomorrow 19 May

Theme of AU Summit: "Pan-Africanism and African Renaissance",

INVITATION TO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MEDIA

The 21st Ordinary Session of the African Union Heads of State and Government opens tomorrow 19 May 2013 at the level of the Ordinary Session of the Permanent Representatives Committee (PRC) meeting at their 26th session at the headquarters, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

The official opening ceremony begins at **10:00 am.** in the Medium Conference Hall of the new AU Conference Centre, and it is opened to the public and to the press.

There will be a photo opportunity at the end of the opening.

This May Summit is special as the AU is celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the establishment of the Organisation of African Union (OAU) now African Union (AU).

According to the PRC, the Ambassadors will for two days, exchange views on specific reports including the reports of the Advisory Sub-committee on administrative, budgetary and financial matters; sub-committee on programmes and conferences; sub-committee on structures; multilateral cooperation; economic and trade matters; sub-committee on contributions; the progress report on the draft Strategic Plan 2014-2017 for the African Union Commission among others.

The Ambassadors will also consider the working documents and draft decisions in preparation for the 23rd Ordinary Session of the Executive Council which will hold on 22 and 23 May 2013.

JOURNALISTS ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE 26TH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE PRC TOMORROW, SUNDAY 19 MAY 2013, AT 10:00 AM,.

For more information about the AU Summit, consult the AU website: www.au.int

