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The Chairperson of the African Union Commission visits Refugee Camps in Dolo Ado to assess the humanitarian situation

Addis Ababa, 10th August 2011 – The Chairperson of the African Union Commission Dr. Jean Ping will make a one day visit to Dolo Ado refugee camp in Ethiopia on the 11th of August, 2011 to assess the humanitarian situation on the ground, when over twelve (12) million people are seeking for an urgent humanitarian assistance to survive.

The visit of Dr. Ping to Dolo Ado comes two week before the Pledging Conference, organized by the AUC for the victims of drought and famine in the Horn of Africa. The Conference is scheduled to take place on the 25th of August at the Headquarters of the African Union under the theme “**One Africa-One Voice Against Hunger**”. It aims at raising resources and awareness amongst AU Member States and the wider international community towards alleviating the plight of the affected populations in the Horn of Africa and particularly in Somalia.

The Chairperson will be accompanied by H.E. Mr. Cheick A.T. Camara Ambassador of Guinea, Chairperson of PRC Sub-Committee on Refugees and Displaced Persons, H.E. Michèle Lévesque Canadian Ambassador, Chairperson of AU Partners Group, H.E. Michael Battle, US Ambassador to AU among others.