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African Union leaders adopt the Treaty for the establishment of the African Medicine Agency (AMA)

Addis Ababa, 11th February 2019: The African Union Heads of State and Government adopted the treaty for the establishment of the African Medicine Agency (AMA) during their 32nd Ordinary Session of the Assembly on 11 February 2019 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

The African Medicine Agency, once ratified by member states will serve as the continental regulatory body that will provide regulatory leadership, to ensure that there are harmonized and strengthened regulatory systems, which govern the regulation of medicines and medical products on the African continent.

The Agency will regulate the access to safe, effective, good quality and affordable essential medicines and health technologies. AMA will do this through coordination of on-going regulatory systems, strengthening and harmonizing efforts of the AUC, RECs, Regional Health Organizations (RHOs) and member states, providing regulatory guidance.

The African Medicine Agency will be established once the Treaty is ratified by fifteen African Union Member States.

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