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**Adopted by the Peace and Security Council (PSC) of the African Union (AU) at its 1351<sup>st</sup> meeting held on Tuesday, 9 June 2026 on the Update on the Situation in Libya.**

### The Peace and Security Council,

**Recalling** all AU Decisions on the situation in Libya, in particular, Decision [Assembly/AU/Dec.868 (XXXVII)] adopted by the 37<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Session of the Assembly of the Union held from 17 to 18 February 2024, in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, emphasizing the need to unify the country through an inclusive national reconciliation process to foster social and political cohesion;

**Also recalling** all its previous decisions and pronouncements on the situation in Libya, particularly Communiqué [PSC/AHG/COMM.1291 (2025)] adopted at its 1291<sup>st</sup> meeting held on 24 July 2025 at the level of Heads of State and Government;

**Reaffirming** the unwavering commitment of the AU to respect the independence, sovereignty, territorial integrity and national unity of the State of Libya;

**Also reaffirming** the AU solidarity with the people of Libya in their quest for the restoration of peace, security and stability in their country; and the AU commitment to continue to support the Libyan-led and Libyan-owned political process towards achieving general elections as a viable and sustainable approach for addressing the challenges facing the country;

**Taking Note** of the Opening Remarks of H.E. Ambassador Nasir Aminu, Permanent Representative of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to the AU as the Stand-In Chairperson of the PSC for June 2026, the Briefing by H.E. Wahida Ayari, the Special Representative of the Chairperson of the AU Commission for Libya; as well as the Statements by the Representatives of the State of Libya; by the Representative of the Republic of Congo as the Chairperson of the AU High-Level Committee on Libya and the Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations in Libya.

### Acting under Article 7 of its Protocol, the Peace and Security Council:

1. **Acknowledges** the relative progress achieved through the sustained efforts and commitment of national stakeholders and international partners in the diplomatic, political, and economic spheres towards the achievement of a peaceful, consensual, and sustainable solution that reflects the aspirations of the Libyan people; including the adoption of the Charter for Peace and National Reconciliation and **encourages** all parties, who are yet to do so, to sign the Charter and to abide by its provisions;

2. **Commends** H.E. Denis Sassou Nguesso, President of the Republic of Congo and Chair of the AU High-Level Committee on Libya, for his leadership in the reconciliation file in Libya; commends the new signatories of the Peace and National Reconciliation and **appeals** to all Libyan stakeholders to implement the Charter including the founding of the High Council of Peace and National Reconciliation shaped by the charter;

3. **Reiterates** that the Libyan Political Agreement signed on 17 December 2015 in Skhirat, Morocco, the Libyan Political Dialogue Forum (LPDF) Roadmap adopted in Tunis, Tunisia, in November 2020 and the United Nations' new Roadmap for Libya, presented to the UN Security Council on 21 August 2025, all conducted under the auspices of the United Nations and resulting from an inclusive process of reconciliation between the Libyan parties, remain among the credible bases and frameworks for a lasting political solution to the Libyan crisis; and **calls upon** all Libyan stakeholders

to reaffirm their commitment to those frameworks and to accelerate the implementation of the Charter for Peace and National Reconciliation as an integral part of broader efforts aimed at institution-building, reunification and social cohesion;

4. **Welcomes** the joint military exercise of 15 March 2026 in Sirte that brought together military personnel from the West and the East of the country, as well as their respective leadership; and **emphasizes the urgent need** for progress on the security track, including by continuing the efforts of the 5+5 Joint Military Commission and the two Chiefs of Staff towards the reunification of the Libyan defence and security institutions under legitimate civilian authority, and by advancing disarmament, demobilisation and reintegration processes as indispensable components of a durable security transition; and **underlines the need** for ensuring the unification of all other State institutions;

5. **Also welcomes** the signature, on 11 April 2026, of the agreement on a unified budget by representatives of the High Council of State (HCS) and the House of Representatives (HoR) under the auspices of the Governor of the Central Bank of Libya (CBL) and **strongly urges** both chambers to implement the agreement that would improve the livelihood conditions of the Libyan citizens;

6. **Appreciates** the efforts being deployed by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, H.E. Hannah Tetteh;

7. **Acknowledges** the contributions being made by some neighbouring countries of Libya (Algeria, Tunisia and Egypt) in supporting the Libyan-owned and led stabilization efforts and political transition processes;

8. **Strongly rejects** any form of foreign interference in the internal affairs of Libya; **urges** all external parties to refrain from interfering in the internal affairs of Libya; **and requests** the AU Commission, working in collaboration with the international community to continue to provide political support to the 5+5 Joint Military Commission (JMC) to fully implement the ceasefire agreement including the orderly withdrawal of all foreign forces, foreign fighters, and mercenaries from the Libyan territory;

9. **Underscores the importance** of ensuring Libyan ownership and participation in forums and efforts aimed at addressing the present challenges facing the country;

10. **Reiterates that** there can be no viable military solution to the challenges facing Libya and that only a genuine all-inclusive Libyan political dialogue can lead to consensual and sustainable solutions and in this regard, **urges** all Libyan stakeholders to jettison their personal ambitions, refrain from actions and statements that could escalate tension and to remain fully committed to their national reconciliation aspiration;

11. **Emphasizes the need** for promoting national cohesion, further strengthening governance, the capacity of State institutions, rule of law and promoting genuine and inclusive national dialogue with a view to ensuring national reconciliation in the country; and in this regard, also **emphasizes the need** for the AU Commission and the UN to continue supporting inclusive Libyan efforts;

12. **Expresses deep concern** over the continued fragility of the security situation including cases of sporadic clashes in the coastal cities, which constitute an existential threat to the lives as well as public and private properties; and in this context, **underlines the importance** of respecting and adhering to agreed truce arrangements;

13. **Takes note with concern** of the economic challenges facing Libya due to a combination of factors, including the current situation of institutional crises and instability and, in this respect, **calls**

*for* the establishment of an accountable and transparent mechanism to be entrusted with the management of the country's economy;

14. **Stresses the need** for comprehensive and holistic approaches aimed at effectively addressing the structural root causes and factors that sustain the present challenges facing Libya, including targeted policies aimed at promoting youth empowerment, job creation and economic diversification as development goals in their own right, and not solely as counter-radicalisation measures; and **calls** for expanded support to local reconciliation initiatives and community-level peacebuilding efforts that complement national political processes and strengthen social cohesion;

15. **Welcomes** the Report of the UN Support Office for Libya and **calls** for enhanced collaboration, coordination and complementarity of efforts between the AU and UN, as well as other strategic partners in accompanying the Libyan peace process;

16. **Also expresses deep concern** over ongoing violations of the arms embargo, illicit fuel exports, and the erosion of frozen Libyan assets due to mismanagement; **emphasizes the critical responsibility** of the Sanctions Regime Committee to uphold transparency and accountability; and **welcomes** the UN Security Council resolution allowing the Libyan Investment Authority (LIA) to manage its frozen assets without lifting the freeze and **emphasizes the need** for preventing any misuse of Libya's frozen assets as well as ensuring proper use of the unfrozen assets;

17. **Further expresses deep concern** over, and condemn the alleged grave violations of the fundamental human rights of African migrants and refugees, particularly their arbitrary detention, ill-treatment and exposure to sexual and gender-based violence; and in this regard, **calls on** the Libyan authorities to take concrete steps to ensure the protection of all African migrants and refugees regardless of their status; and **requests** the AU, UN and the European Union (EU) to work together, including to reactivate the Tripartite Task Force on migration; and taking into consideration the seriousness of the issue of migration in Africa, **reiterate its previous requests** for the Chairperson of the Commission, subject to the availability of resources, to appoint a Special Envoy on Migration with a view to coordinate migration issues in the continent;

18. **Also expresses deep concern** over the continued proliferation of illicit weapons, which continue to fuel the crisis in the country and, in this regard, **underlines the urgent need** for scaling up efforts to combat the proliferation of illicit weapons, trafficking networks, and transnational organised crime, including through strengthening border governance and control;

19. **Reiterates** the decision to undertake a Field Mission to Libya to enable the PSC to interact with various stakeholders in order to better appreciate the situation on the ground in support of the transition process;

20. In view of the prevailing humanitarian situation in Libya, **further requests** the AU Commission, in particular the Department of Health, Humanitarian Affairs, and Social Development, to liaise with partners to provide humanitarian support to the country and all migrants in vulnerable situations in Libya;

21. **Requests** the AU Commission to support the Libyan authorities in creating conducive conditions for the successful organization of credible elections that will reflect the general will of the Libyan people;

22. **Reiterates the request** for the Chairperson of the AU Commission to ensure the implementation of Assembly Decision 815 adopted by the Ordinary Session of the AU Assembly of Heads of State and Government held in February 2022, in Addis Ababa, regarding the relocation of

the AU Liaison Office to Tripoli, not later than the end of 2027, with a view to further strengthening the presence and visibility of the AU on the ground, and **requests** the next session of the Joint Sitting of the Sub-Committee on General Supervision and Coordination on Budgetary, Financial and Administrative matters (GSCBFAM) and the Technical Experts of the Committee of Fifteen Ministers of Finance (F15) to ensure that this issue is budgeted for;

23. **Calls for** greater investment in climate resilience, water and sustainable resource management in Libya and across the broader North African and Sahelian region, recognizing the importance of addressing environmental pressures to mitigate adverse impacts on sustainable development, livelihoods and forced displacement; and **urges** Libya's partners to strengthen support for adaptation and resilience building, integrating climate and environmental considerations into their support programmes for peace and recovery;

24. **Reiterates its call** for the preservation of Libya's unity, sovereignty, territorial integrity and extends solidarity with the Libyan people who are the real victims of the situation in the country; and

25. **Decides** to remain actively seized of the matter.