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PEACE AND SECURITY COUNCIL
207TH MEETING AT THE LEVEL OF THE
HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT
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**COMMUNIQUE OF THE 207TH MEETING OF THE PEACE
AND SECURITY COUNCIL**

The Peace and Security Council of the African Union (AU), at its 207th meeting held in Abuja, Nigeria, on 29 October 2009, at the level of Heads of State and Government, adopted the following decision on the situation in the Republic of Guinea:

Council,

1. **Recalls** its previous decisions on the situation in Guinea, in particular paragraph 7 of the communiqué PSC/PR/Comm. (CCIV) adopted at its 204th meeting held on 17 September 2009;
2. **Strongly condemns**, once again, the killings and deliberate acts of violence against unarmed civilians and the rape of women by armed units under the authority of the National Council for Democracy and Development (CNDD) during the peaceful demonstration organized on 28 September 2009;
3. **Endorses** the decisions of the Extraordinary Summit of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), held in Abuja, Nigeria, on 17 October 2009. In this regard, Council **expresses its full support** to the establishment of an International Commission of Inquiry on the events of 28 September 2009. Council **reaffirms its full support** to the mediation undertaken by President Blaise Compaoré of Burkina Faso on behalf of ECOWAS;
4. **Requests** the Commission, in accordance with paragraph 7 of the above mentioned communiqué, and in close collaboration with ECOWAS and members of the International Contact Group on Guinea, to take all the necessary measures towards the implementation of targeted sanctions, including denial of visas, travel restrictions and freezing of assets, against the President and members of the CNDD, as well as members of the Government and any other civilian or military individual whose activities are aimed at maintaining the unconstitutional status quo in Guinea. In this regard, Council **requests** the Commission to circulate, within a week, to AU Member States, for implementation, the list of the individuals to be targeted by the sanctions;
5. **Decides** that these measures and the list mentioned above will be communicated to the United Nations Security Council and all other AU partners, including the European Union, the Organization of the Islamic Conference, the International Organization of La Francophonie and the other members of the International Contact Group on Guinea, as well as to the League of Arab States, in order to give them a universal character;
6. **Decides** to remain seized of the matter.