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PEACE AND SECURITY COUNCIL  
683<sup>RD</sup> MEETING

ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA  
26 APRIL 2017

PSC/PR/COMM.2(DCLXXXIII)

COMMUNIQUE

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The Peace and Security Council (PSC/Council) of the African Union, at its 683<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 26 April 2017, considered the Generic Terms of Reference for its sub-committees/subsidiary bodies and adopted the following decision:

**Council,**

1. **Recalls** its deliberations on the issue of the establishment and functioning of its subsidiary bodies within the framework of Article 8 (5) of the Protocol Relating to the Establishment of the Peace and Security Council of the African Union, in particular PSC Communique [PSC/PR/COMM.(DCLXXVII)] adopted at its 647<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 31 March 2017;
2. **Stresses** the important role that PSC sub-committees/subsidiary bodies play in preparation of Council meetings and decisions and in enhancing the efficiency of its work within the framework of its mandate in the promotion of peace, security and stability in Africa;
3. **Underlines** that the functioning of all PSC sub-committees/subsidiary bodies shall be, *mutatis mutandis*, guided by the Rules of Procedure of the PSC;
4. **Decides** to adopt the Generic Terms of Reference for the functioning of all PSC sub-committees/subsidiary bodies;
5. **Decides** to remain seized of the matter.