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PEACE AND SECURITY COUNCIL

746<sup>TH</sup> MEETING

ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA

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The Peace and Security Council (PSC) of the African Union (AU), at its 746<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 17 January, 2018 considered the Conclusions of the 1<sup>st</sup> Retreat of the PSC Committee of Experts that was held from 11 to 16 December 2017, in Musanze, Rwanda, and adopted the following decision:

### **Council,**

- 1. Takes note** of the Conclusions of the 1<sup>st</sup> Retreat of the PSC Committee of Experts, held from 11 to 16 December 2017, in Muzanze, Rwanda, pursuant to the decision adopted by the PSC at its 732<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on 9 November 2017;
- 2. Commends** the Committee for the useful conclusions of the Retreat. Council **encourages** the Committee to further enhance the effectiveness of its support to Council's work. In this context, Council **requests** the Committee to ensure that it regularly assesses the status of implementation of all Council decisions;
- 3. Also commends** the Government and people of Rwanda for their hospitality and, in particular, the Rwanda Peace Academy for having hosted the Retreat of the Committee;
- 4. Expresses gratitude** to the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) for providing its valuable support that significantly contribute to the successful holding of the Retreat;
- 5. Endorses** the Conclusions of the 1<sup>st</sup> Retreat of the Committee of Experts;
- 6. Decides** to remain actively seized of the matter.