



**OUAGADOUGOU DECLARATION ON INTER-AFRICAN DIALOGUE  
AND COMBATING TERRORISM**

**We**, the representatives of National African Parliaments meeting in Ouagadougou, on the occasion of the 40th Conference of the African Parliamentary Union, held on 9 and 10 November 2017,

*Deeply* concerned by conflicts and the phenomenon of terrorism in Africa, and their consequences on peace and development,

1. *Insist* on the use of dialogue and mediation among African countries, as a peaceful means of settling and preventing tensions and conflicts;
2. *Underline* the need to foster national reconciliation in countries under tension;
3. *Call* for the elimination of social injustice, marginalization and extremism, the underlying causes of terrorism, through development which takes civil society initiatives into account;
4. *Reaffirming* that terrorism has no links with any form of religion, nationality or civilization, and that no one is safe from its devastating effects;
5. *Emphasize* the urgent setting up of mechanisms to combat terrorism financing;
6. *Express* our support and solidarity with populations, victims of terrorism acts.

Done in Ouagadougou, 10 November 2017