DECISION ON THE REPORT ON THE MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE ON AVIATION SAFETY IN AFRICA
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The Executive Council,

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Ministerial Conference on Aviation Safety in Africa held in Abuja, Nigeria, from 16 to 20 July 2012;

2. **COMMENDS** the Ministers Responsible for Air Transport for the timely implementation of the Executive Council Decision EX.CL/Dec.682(XX) regarding the holding of the Ministerial Conference on Aviation Safety in Africa which has successfully produced substantive results for the enhancement of aviation safety performance in Africa;

3. **ENDORSES:**
   i) the Aviation Safety Targets and Action Plan for Africa as the continental framework for guiding Africa’s aviation industry to meet the international Standards and Recommended Practices under the Convention on International Civil Aviation (Chicago Convention); and
   ii) the Abuja Declaration on Aviation Safety in Africa which reflect the continent’s commitment to the implementation of the African Civil Aviation Policy (AFCAP) including addressing aviation safety challenges that Africa is facing and continue to ensure seamless operation of aviation in Africa and with the other regions of the world.

4. **REQUESTS** the Commission to:
   i) Make available the endorsed documents to all Member States and other key stakeholders and to facilitate their smooth implementation within the framework of the Treaty establishing the African Economic Community (Abuja Treaty);
   ii) Collaborate with the Regional Economic Communities, specialised institutions, Member States and other stakeholders to speed up the implementation of the Aviation Safety Targets and Action Plan for Africa with a view to developing a strong and viable aviation sector in the continent;
   iii) Seek assistance from the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa; the African Development Bank, the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO), the European Union, the World Bank and other development partners to support the implementation of the Aviation Safety Targets and Action Plan for Africa and the Abuja Declaration on Aviation Safety in Africa
   iv) Elaborate a common position on the banishment of some African airlines and face the problem in an appropriate manner