NEW PARTNERSHIP FOR AFRICA'S DEVELOPMENT (NEPAD)

(RECOMMENDATION NO. PAP - REC. 003/2006)

The Pan-African Parliament, (PAP):

APPALLED by the prevalent underdevelopment and the poor living conditions of the African people;

NOTING that, the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) is a product of a number of continental initiatives aimed at boosting the social economic and political development on the Continent;

CONCERNED at the inadequate coordination and possible overlapping between the activities and mandates AU organs and NEPAD;

FURTHER CONCERNED that, despite the significant progress achieved in the implementation of NEPAD, the involvement of the various sectors of civil society, is still lacking and activities and achievements of NEPAD are not sufficiently publicised;

BEARING IN MIND that, the Africa Peer Review Mechanism (APRM), promoted by NEPAD, among others, is an important mechanism to strengthen good governance in Africa;

THEREFORE RECOMMEND, That:

- 1. The AU should urgently implement the AU Summit Decision of 2003, taken in Maputo (Maputo Decision), in relation to the integration of NEPAD into AU processes; and strengthen the NEPAD Secretariat to ensure that, it is fully capacitated to play its role within the provisions of the Maputo Decision.
- 2. **REITERATES ITS RECOMMENDATION** calling on AU Member States to accede to the APRM and set for themselves time frames within which this should be done, and calls upon the APRM Forum to present APRM country reports to the PAP.