## RECOMMENDATION ON ONGOING ACTIONS TO OBTAIN THE RELEASE OF 300 YOUNG NIGERIAN GIRLS ABDUCTED BY THE TERRORIST GROUP "BOKO HARAM"

**Deploring** the abduction of 300 young Nigerian girls held hostage by the terrorist group "Boko Haram" in Chibok, Nigeria, on 15 April 2014;

**Considering** that the women and girls are from a vulnerable group, of significant demographic importance and an asset to the world;

Acknowledging the efforts already undertaken for the release of the detained girls held hostage by the terrorist group "Boko Haram";

Commending the worldwide campaign undertaken called "Bring back our Girls";

**Considering** that African leaders have an obligation to provide the means to protect the African peoples;

The Pan-African Parliament decides to:

- 1. Express its solidarity with the families of the abducted girls;
- 2. Vehemently condemn all forms of violence perpetrated against women in general and to these abducted girls in particular;
- 3. Request that measures be taken for the unconditional release of the abducted girls;
- 4. Appeal to the Authorities of Nigeria as well as to the international community to take further action to secure their release;
- 5. Request the Nigerian Government and the International community to apprehend and bring to justice the terrorist group "Boko Haram"; and
- 6. Condemn the use of religion to carry out criminal activities.

Midrand, 23 October 2014.