## RESOLUTION ON THE ADVOCACY, RATIFICATION AND DOMESTICATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AFRICAN CHARTER ON DEMOCRCY, ELECTIONS AND GOVERNANCE

## The Pan-African Parliament,

- 1. In accordance with Articles 3 and 18 of the Protocol which calls on the Pan-African Parliament to "Promote the principles of Human rights and Democracy in Africa and encourage good governance, transparency and accountability in Member States" and which mandates the Parliament to work in close collaboration with the Parliaments of Regional Economic Communities and National Parliaments or all other deliberative organs";
- **2. In accordance with** Decision EX.CL/Dec.31(III) adopted in July 2003 and Decision Ex.CL/124(V) adopted in May 2004 relating to the African Charter on Democracy, Elections and Governance;
- **3. Considering** the entry into force of the African Charter on 15 February 2012;
- **4. Reaffirms** its role on the establishment and consolidation of democracy and good governance in Africa;
- 5. Pledges to exercise its oversight mandate in ensuring compliance of national texts and the popularisation of the Charter within national populations;
- **6. Pledges** to coordinate the implementation of the Charter with the other organs of the African Union such as the Peace and Security Council, the Court of Justice, the Commission for Human Rights, the Economic, Social and Cultural Council and Regional Economic Communities;
- **7. Pledges** to support the actions of the Department for Political Affairs of the African Union in establishing National inter-Ministerial Committees and thus enabling all stakeholders to conduct an evaluation of national progress and to coordinate and sensitize political leaders and instruments necessary for the implementation of the Charter on Democracy, Elections and Governance.

Addis Ababa, 20 January 2012