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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMISSION OF THE AFRICAN UNION CONDEMNS TERRORIST ATTACK IN TURKEY**

***Addis Ababa, 12 December 2016:*** The Chairperson of the Commission of the African Union (AU), Dr. Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma, condemns in the strongest terms the twin bomb attack on police officers outside a football stadium in Istanbul, Turkey, late on Saturday, 10 December, which has killed thirty-eight people and injured many more.

The Chairperson expresses the AU's heartfelt condolences to the families of the victims and wishes speedy recovery to the injured. She reiterated the AU's full solidarity with the people and Government of Turkey and stressed that the AU will continue to work closely with Turkey, and all members of the international community, in combating terrorism and violent extremism in Africa and beyond, in line with the international cooperative framework adopted under the auspices of the United Nations.