THE AFRICAN UNION STRONGLY CONDEMNS THE HEINOUS TERRORIST ATTACK IN TUNISIA

Addis Ababa, 18 March 2015: The Chairperson of the Commission of the African Union (AU), Dr. Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma, has learned with dismay of the terrorist attack perpetrated today at the Bardo Museum, in Tunis, which killed several people and injured many others.

The Chairperson of the Commission strongly condemns this heinous and cowardly act. She presents AU’s heartfelt condolences to the families of the victims, as well as to the people and Government of Tunisia. She wishes speedy recovery to the injured.

The Chairperson of the Commission expresses the AU’s solidarity with Tunisia in this tragic moment and its full support to the ongoing efforts to combat the scourge of terrorism and violent extremism. She urges the people and leadership of Tunisia to persevere in their endeavor to consolidate democracy and promote tolerance in their country.

The Chairperson of the Commission stresses that the attack that struck Tunisia illustrates once again the need for renewed efforts to strengthen inter-African cooperation in the fight against terrorism and violent extremism. She underlines the relevance of the AU’s normative and institutional framework, as well as that of the communiqué adopted by the Peace and Security Council at its Summit meeting held in Nairobi on 2 September 2014, on the issue of terrorism and violent extremism in Africa.