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STATEMENT OF THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMISSION OF THE AFRICAN UNION ON THE TERRORIST ATTACK IN EGYPT

Addis Ababa, 21 October 2017: The Chairperson of the African Union (AU) Commission, Moussa Faki Mahamat, condemns in the strongest terms the terrorist attack that took place in the El Wahat desert, in Egypt, yesterday 20 October 2017, killing a number of Egyptian security personnel and wounding a number of others.

The Chairperson of the Commission expresses the AU’s heartfelt condolences to the families of the victims and wishes speedy recovery to the injured. He conveys the AU’s solidarity with the Government and people of Egypt.

The Chairperson of the Commission reiterates AU’s continued support to Egypt in its efforts to combat terrorism, within the framework of the relevant African and international instruments.