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REPORT

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 - a. **Five** candidates to the Executive Council for the period 2017-2021
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¹ In order to select the winners of the six regional prizes, a jury will be established comprising the Chairs of the six Regional Commissions of UNWTO, one representative of the host country (China), and a prominent communications professional designated by the Organization. Each member of the jury shall vote for three videos from each region, except his or her own region in the case of representatives of the member countries.

DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMISSION

CAF/DEC/1 (LX)

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Agenda item 1 (Document CAF/60/1)

1. The agenda for the 60th meeting of the UNWTO Commission for Africa was presented to the delegates by the Chairman H.E. Eng. Walter Mzembi, Minister of Tourism and Hospitality Industry of Zimbabwe and the Members adopted the agenda unanimously.

CAF/DEC/2 (LX)

WELCOME REMARKS BY THE CHAIR OF THE COMMISSION

Agenda item 2 (Document CAF/60/2)

1. The Commission,

Having heard with interest the remarks of the CAF Chairman,

- <u>Congratulates</u> the figures achieved of international tourism at the global level and in particular the rebounding performance of the Africa region during this past year;
- <u>Commends</u> the CAF chairman for the promotion of the tourism sector in Africa and its great efforts to mainstream tourism at the institutional level in the continent.

CAF/DEC/3 (LX)

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Agenda item 3 (Document CAF/60/3)

2. The Commission,

Having heard with interest the remarks of the Secretary-General,

- <u>Notes with satisfaction</u> the figures achieved of international tourism at the global level and in particular the increasing performance and resilience of the Africa region during this past year;
- <u>Commends</u> the Secretary-General for its impressive support of African governments during times of crisis along his mandate and the continuous level of dedication shown by visiting the countries affected.

- <u>Congratulates</u> the Secretary-General for his vision and the priorities set looking forward in the Africa region under the framework of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to promote the tourism sector in the region as a key tool for economic diversification and structural transformation.

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CAF/DEC/4 (LX)

NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES TO THE XXII GENERAL ASSEMBLY OFFICES

Agenda item 4

- 3. The Commission.
 - Nominates Cabo Verde and Nigeria to serve as Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly;
 - <u>Proposes</u> Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana to the Assembly, as its representatives for the Credentials Committee;

CAF/DEC/5 (LX)

NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES TO REPRESENT THE REGION ON THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AND ITS SUBSIDIARY ORGANS

Agenda item 5

4. The Commission,

Having considered the documents submitted by the Secretariat on this agenda item,

- Proposes, following a consensual decision, Sudan, Cabo Verde, Namibia, the Republic of Congo and Zimbabwe as its candidates for the vacant seats on the Executive Council corresponding to the Africa region, for a four-year term, for the period between the twentysecond and twenty-fourth sessions of the General Assembly (2017-2021);
- Accepts Kenya's decision to give its seat on the Executive Council to Seychelles for the period between the twenty-second and twenty-third sessions of the General Assembly (2017-2019);
- Nominates the Republic of Congo and Mauritius as members of the Ad-hoc Committee for the preparation of the final draft Framework Convention on Tourism Ethics;

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ELECTION OF ONE CHAIRPERSON AND TWO VICE-CHAIRPERSONS OF THE COMMISSION FOR 2017-2019

Agenda item 6 (Document CAF/60/6)

- The Commission
- Decides to elect Kenya as its Chairperson and Gambia and South Africa as its Vice-Chairpersons, for a two-year term (2017-2019);
- Thanks Zimbabwe for its dedicated work as Chairperson of the Commission during the period 2013-2017 and Côte d'Ivoire and Cameroun for having performed the duties of Vice-Chairpersons during the period 2015-2017;
- Thanks Kenya for its commitment to further enhancing the Commission for Africa as a platform for multilateral collaboration, dialogue and exchange of expertise.

CAF/DEC/7 (LX)

JURY FOR THE VIDEO COMPETITION

Agenda item 7 (Document CAF/60/7)

6. The Commission,

Having considered the presentation on this agenda item,

- <u>Takes note</u> of the rules establishing the jury for the video competition, whereby the Chairperson of the Commission for Africa (Zimbabwe) will represent the region in the Jury.

CAF/DEC/8 (LX)

OTHER MATTERS

Agenda item 8 (Document CAF/60/8)

7. The Commission.

Having considered the documents on this agenda item,

- <u>Encourages</u> Member states to strongly support the adoption of the Framework Convention on Tourism Ethics.
- <u>Urges</u> Member states to approve all the pending amendments to the Statutes and the Financing Rules.

VENUE AND DATE OF 61ST MEETING OF THE COMMISSION FOR AFRICA

Agenda item 9 (Document CAF/60/9)

- 8. The Commission
 - Welcomes with pleasure and accepts the invitation by the authorities of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to hold its sixty-first meeting in Abuja in 4-6 June 2018.

LIST OF COUNTRIES PARTICIPATING

The 60th meeting of the UNWTO Commission for Africa (CAF), was held on 12 September 2017, at the Intercontinental Hotel, Tianfu Room in Chengdu, China, in the framework of the UNWTO 22nd General Assembly. The meeting was attended by 21 ministers of the region, and over one hundred and fifty delegates from 27 countries, namely: Algeria, Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Cabo Verde, Comoros, Republic of Congo, Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, Equatorial Guinea, The Republic of the Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Mali, Morocco, Mozambique, Niger, Nigeria, Seychelles, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Togo, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe