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**14TH RETREAT OF THE PEACE AND SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE AFRICAN
UNION ON ITS WORKING METHODS**

**16 – 20 NOVEMBER 2022
VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE**

PSC/Retreat.14 (2022)

DRAFT PROGRAMME OF WORK

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WEDNESDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2022

..... Departure from Bole International Airport/Durban
..... Arrival at Victoria Falls Airport
..... Check in at Elephant Hills Hotel

DAY ONE: THURSDAY, 17 NOVEMBER 2022

08:30 hrs. – 09:00 hrs. Registration

Opening Ceremony with invited Guests, Diplomatic Corps and Media

09:00 hrs. – 09:05 hrs. AU and Zimbabwe Anthems (**5 min**)

09:05 hrs. – 09:10 hrs. Opening **Statement**
Chairperson of the Peace and Security Council for the month of November 2022 (**5 min**)

09:10 hrs. – 9:15 hrs. Statement by African Union Commissioner for Political Affairs, Peace and Security (**5 min**)

9:15 hrs. – 9:20 hrs. **Official opening**
Representative of the Government of Zimbabwe (**5 min**)

9:20 hrs. – 9:30 hrs. Family Photo

9:30 hrs. – 10:00 hrs. **Health break**

Closed Session: Restricted to PSC Members and AU Commission;

10:00 hrs. – 10:10 hrs. Consideration of the Draft Agenda and the Draft Programme of Work

10:10 hrs. – 13:00hrs ***PSC Working Methods: progress, challenges and way forward***

a) Assessment of implementation of PSC Monthly and Annual Indicative Programmes (AIP) of Work / 2022 Budget Execution

- Frequency and convening of PSC meetings, field missions management

- b) Feedback on AUC Engagements with other AU Organs/Stakeholders on African Peace & Security
 - Strengthened Engagement with RECs/RMs and Friends of the PSC
- c) PSC Consistency and Predictability in discharging its mandate;
- d) Institutionalization of permanent venues for PSC activities - Impact and Implications;
- e) Adoption process of PSC outcomes / communiqués including under silence procedure;
- f) PSC Interface with AU Members States under suspension;
- g) Regular PSC engagement with the Chairperson of the Commission and the improved effectiveness of Informal consultations;
- h) PSC partnerships - Proper synchronization of PSC/UNSC monthly Programmes on African issues on both Councils' agendas
 - Implementation of joint outcomes with partner bodies
 - Expanding joint consultations to other similar intergovernmental bodies
- i) Institutionalization and regularization of PSC Retreats and retreats of the Committee of Experts and Military Staff Committee.

13:00hrs – 14:30hrs: Lunch

14:30hrs – 15:00hrs: Update on the Terms of Reference:

- Ministerial Committee on Counter Terrorism; and
- PSC Sub-Committee on Sanctions

15:00hrs – 16:30hrs: Discussion (health break will be provided)

16:30hrs – 17:00hrs: Presentation on the use of PAPS repository and PSC App

.....**END OF DAY ONE**.....

DAY TWO: FRIDAY, 18 NOVEMBER 2022

09:00 hrs. – 10:30 hrs: Presentation and consideration of the Final Draft Consensus Paper on Predictable, Adequate and Sustainable Financing of African Union Peace and Security Activities – *Operationalization of the AU Peace Fund*, by the Commissioner for Political Affairs, Peace and Security

10:30hrs – 13:00 hrs **Discussion (health break to be provided)**

10:00hrs – 14:30hrs: Lunch

14:30hrs – 15:30hrs: Discussion on Activities for PSC and PSC Sub-Committees in 2023
(Annual Indicative Programme of Work and Approved PSC Budget for 2023)

15:30hrs – 17:00hrs: Discussion (health break to be provided)

.....**END OF DAY TWO**.....

DAY THREE: SATURDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 2022

10:00hrs – 11:00hrs: Presentation of Summary report of the 14th PSC Retreat and way forward

.....**END OF THE RETREAT**.....

11:00hrs **Excursion**

DAY THREE: SUNDAY, 20 NOVEMBER 2022

.....: Check out and departure to the airport

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Retreat - Conclusions

2022-11-19

Conclusion of the 14th Retreat of the Peace and Security Council of the African Union, adopted on 19 November 2022, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe.

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