



**Pan African Youth Union (PYU)**  
**5th Ordinary Congress of the Pan African Youth Union**  
**Friendship Hall, Khartoum (Sudan), 19-20 December 2017.**

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## Communiqué Final

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The 5th Ordinary Congress of the Pan African Youth Union (PYU) was held in Khartoum, Sudan, from 19th to 20th December 2017 at the Khartoum Friendship Hall placed under the High Patronage of His Excellency Mr. Omar El-Bashir, President of the Republic of Sudan, this congress was organised under the theme: "Youth and the socio-economic challenges of Africa".

Several personalities and authorities took part in this meeting such as:

- The Principal Assistant of the President of the Republic of Sudan;
- The Minister of Youth and Sports of the Republic of Sudan;
- Heads of diplomatic representations accredited in Sudan;
- The Permanent Representative of the African Union in Khartoum;
- The Cabinet Director of the Minister of Youth of the Republic of Senegal;
- The Technical Advisor of the Ministry of Youth and Construction of Mali
- Experts;
- The leaders of youth organisations and institutions in Africa.

### Agenda of the Congress:

- Opening ceremony ;
- Thematic Presentations in panels and debates;
- Presentation of the 3 years PYU Executive Committee report and debates;
- Recommendations;
- Elections;
- Closing ceremony.

#### **I. The official opening ceremony of the congress focused on the following points :**

- Opening prayer by reciting a surah of the Koran;
- Welcome address by the Deputy Secretary General of the Host Country;
- Address by the President of the Pan-African Youth Union;
- Award ceremony to African youth Laureates in several areas of youth development;
- Address by the Minister of Youth of Sudan;
- Communication from the Assistant to the President of the Republic of Sudan;
- African youth peace award ceremony to the President of the Republic of Sudan;
- Opening Speech by the Assistant to the President of the Republic of Sudan;
- Family photo.

## **II. Presentation of the thematics in Panels and Debates**

Work sessions were organised around the following themes::

- Peace and security in Africa;
- Education and skills;
- Youth entrepreneurship and economic participation;
- Health and wellbeing ;
- Youth political participation;
- Youth civic participation;
- Institutional reform.

## **III. Presentation of reports and debates**

The 3 years report for the three (03) years of the Executive Committee was splitted into two parts: the moral report and the financial report.

Regarding the moral report, during the past three (03) years, the Executive Committee of the PYU has achieved substantial results in accordance with its action plan. In this context, the following results were presented:

- Strengthening cooperation between the PYU with the African Union Commission and UN agencies;
- Strengthening the support of Heads of State to the PYU;
- The adoption of the creation of African Youth Fund by the African Union Heads of State and Government as well as its operationalisation in 2018;
- Institutional strengthening and visibility of the Pan-African Youth Union on the regional and international arena;
- Advocacy with states for the political participation of young people in decision-making bodies in our respective member States;
- The participation of PYU members in the observation of general elections in some African countries;
- The organisation of forums dedicated to strengthening inter-generational dialogue and promoting peace and the demographic dividend;
- Participation in the popularisation of interreligious dialogue;
- Strengthening Africa-Europe cooperation between young people from both continents
- Strengthening cooperation between Russian youth and African youth;
- Strengthening relations with the Commonwealth Youth Council and other International Youth Organisations ;
  
- Participation of the PYU in advocating a UN Security Council resolution on youth peace and security with the UN Secretary-General's envoy on youth that led to the adoption of the UN Security Council Resolution 2250 of the UN on youth, peace and security;
  
- Visits in many conflict and post-conflict countries to meet the youth in order to promote peace and stability, such as in Somalia, Burundi, Eastern DRC, Central African Republic and other countries ;

- Creation by some member States of a National Youth Fund for the Promotion of Youth Entrepreneurship and Employment;
- Obtention of ratification of the African Youth Charter in some African States.

As for the financial report, it focuses on the Sudanese State's subsidy for the operation of the PYU continental headquarters in Khartoum. This financial support is made quarterly for the benefit of the institution and is used to cover the rent and the related expenses, as well as the support of the local administrative staff.

The resources of the PYU should come from the statutory contributions of the various member States of the African Union. Unfortunately, the member States hardly comply with it

#### **IV. Recommendations**

At the end of the various discussions during the works and in view of the difficulties recorded during the mandate, the following recommendations were adopted::

- The actual payment by each Member State of the African Union of its statutory contributions to the PYU;
- Reinforcement of the subsidy of the Republic of Sudan for improving the functioning of the PYU headquarters and the involvement of the Executive Committee of the PYU in the management of its resources in accordance with the legal texts;
- Respect for the deployment by the Member States of the Secretariat at the Headquarters of the PYU by their respective countries in accordance to the PYU statutes;
- Review of the Headquarters Agreement with the Sudanese Government;
- The redynamisation and the establishment of the PYU's headquarters in the different regions of the African Union member States;
- The harmonisation of the Statutes and internal rules of PYU for greater compliance
- The setting up by the Executive Committee of various Commissions in different fields to strengthen the work of the PYU on the continent
- Strengthening the regional representatives of the PYU in all regions allowing them to establish permanent contact with the National Youth Councils of their regions as well as other regional youth structures.

#### IV. Election organisations

The actual organisation of the PYU elections began after the resignation of the outgoing office followed by the installation of the electoral commission composed of five (05) members representing all the regions of the African Union composed mainly of National Youth Councils as well as observers.

At the end of the process, an office of fifteen (15) members elected for the 2017-2020 period is as follows:

Title	Region	Country	First and Last names
<b>President</b>	Africa	Democratic Republic of Congo	Ms. Francine MUYUMBA FURAHA
<b>Vice President</b>	West Africa	Niger	Mr. Aliou OUMAROU
<b>Vice President</b>	Northern Africa	Egypt	Mr. Hassan Ali Gazali
<b>Vice President</b>	Central Africa	Gabon	Mr. Stephen Ondias
<b>Vice President</b>	Southern Africa	Madagascar	Ms. Juliana Ratovoson
<b>Vice President</b>	East Africa	Vacant	
<b>Vice President</b>	Diaspora	ADYFE Austria	Mr. Youssouf Simbo DIAKITE
<b>Secretary General</b>	Africa	Mali	Mr. Souleymane Satigui SIDIBE
<b>Deputy Secretary General</b>	West Africa	Ghana	Mr. Bening Ahmed
<b>Deputy Secretary General</b>	Northern Africa	Morocco	Mr. Mohammed Ahmed Gain
<b>Deputy Secretary General</b>	Central Africa	Central African Republic	Ms. Pamela Audrey Derom
<b>Deputy Secretary General</b>	East Africa		Mr. Moris Muhindo
<b>Deputy Secretary General</b>	Southern Africa	Vacant	
<b>Deputy Secretary General</b>	Diaspora	ADYFE Belgium	Mr. Bora Kamwanya
<b>Deputy Secretary General</b>	Host Country	Sudan	Mr. Monzir Almosiref

NB: The candidates of the diaspora were nominated and submitted by the African Diaspora Youth Forum in Europe (ADYFE).

#### V. Closing ceremony

The closing ceremony was mainly devoted to the motions of thanks respectively to the authorities at different levels as follows.

Motion of thanks.

- Thanks deeply the President of the Republic of Sudan, His Excellency Mr. OMAR El Bashir, the Government and the people of Sudan, appreciate the legendary hospitality and its generous support for the total support of the 5th Ordinary Congress of the Pan African Youth Union;
- Thanks to the Electoral Commission for the professionalism and seriousness in their respective missions that led to the success of the free and transparent elections;

- Congratulates the National Youth Federation of Sudan for its leadership, contribution and the remarkable volunteerism of its members from the preparations to the holding of this congress;
- Congratulates the outgoing Committee for the work done to African youth during the past 3 years which has led to great achievements that the organisation has never known since its creation
- Thanks the various delegations for the discipline and the seriousness recorded during all the period of work of this congress
- Appreciates rightly the comfort offered to all the delegations taking part in this congress.
- Thanks the office of the African Union in Khartoum for its constant support to the 5th Ordinary Congress.

Khartoum, 20 December 2017

**THE SECRETARY GENERAL**



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