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Your Excellency,

**DECISION OF THE AFRICAN UNION FOR NOMINATION
BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF AN AFRICAN TO THE
POSITION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
UNITED NATIONS POPULATION FUND (UNFPA)**

On behalf of the Permanent Representatives of the African Group of Member States of the United Nations in New York, we have the honour to inform Your Excellency of Decision 7, as contained in document EX.CL.DEC/599 (XVII) adopted by the Seventeenth Ordinary Session of the Executive Council of the African Union at the recently concluded summit in Kampala, Uganda.

2. The kernel of the Decision is that the African Group in New York should undertake the necessary consultations, based on the existing principle of rotation for the nomination by Your Excellency of an African candidate to the position of Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).

3. In this regard, we wish to affirm the Decision of the Executive Council and to recall that before the extension by two years of the term of the incumbent Executive Director, an understanding was reached between Your Excellency and the African Group that, based on the principle of rotation, the next nomination to this position should be an African.

4. We would like to take this opportunity to restate our commitment to continue working closely with you, and lend our full support to the initiatives toward resolving the global challenges we face.

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5. The African Group wishes to draw Your Excellency's attention to the decision referred to above and are confident that you will find a worthy candidate among the eminently qualified African nominees that have been presented for your consideration.
6. Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of stylized, overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

LESLIE K. CHRISTIAN
AMBASSADOR AND PERMANENT
REPRESENTATIVE