1. The Second Summit of Head of State and Government of the Gulf of Guinea Commission was held in Luanda (Republic of Angola), on November 25" 2008.

2. The Summit was officially opened by His Excellency EL-HADJ OMAR BONGO ONDIMBA, President of the Republic of Gabon and the Chairperson of the Gulf of Guinea Commission.

3. The Summit was attended by the following Heads of States and Government:
   • His Excellency EL-HADJ OMAR BONGO ONDIMBA, President of the Republic of Gabon,
   • His Excellency JOSE EDUARDO DOS SANTOS, President of the Republic of Angola,
   • His Excellency TEODORO OBIANG NGUEMA, President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea,
• His Excellency FRADIQUE DE MENEZES, President of Democratic Republic of Sao Tome e Principe,

• His Excellency DENIS SASSOU NGUESSO, President of the Republic of Congo,

• His Excellency GOODLUCK JONATHAN, Vice President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria,

• His Excellency CHIEF EPHRAIM INONI, Prime Minister and Head of Government of the Republic of Cameroon,

• His Excellency ALEXIS THAMBWE MWAMBA, Minister of Foreign Affairs, representing His Excellency JOSEPH KABILA, President of Democratic Republic of Congo.

4. The participants were addressed by His Excellency JOSE EDUARDO DOS SANTOS, President of the Republic of Angola, in his capacity as Head of State of the host country; CARLOS BRAGANÇA; A GOMES, Executive Secretary of Gulf of Guinea Commission; His Excellency EL HADJ OMAR BONGO ONDIMBA, President of the Republic of Gabon and Chairperson of the Commission.

5. During the opening ceremony, all the speakers insisted on the importance of the objectives of the Gulf of Guinea Commission as enshrined in the Constitutive Treaty, taking into account the challenges of peace and security situation in this sub-region.

6. The Heads of State and Government approved the Accession of Cameroon and Democratic Republic of Congo, as new Member States of the
Commission in compliance with article 27 of the Treaty Establishing the Commission.

7. The organizational chart was adopted as proposed by the Experts and subsequently approved by the Council of Ministers.

8. The Heads of State and Government decided to establish a Task Force comprised of one representative from each Member State. This Task Force was entrusted with the duty of elaborating a budget for 2009. In the meantime, the Heads of States decided to adopt a budget proposal of nine hundred thousand dollars (USD 900.000) to allow the functioning of the Commission for the next four (4) months, which represents a hundred and twelve thousand five hundred dollars (112.500) per State.

9. The Heads of State and Government mandated the Task Force to:
   • Analyze the 2008 budget expenditures and define the guidelines and objectives of 2009 budget;
   • Propose, under the 2009 budget, short-term and multi-annual actions;
   • Propose solutions on a gradual increase of the Executive Secretariat staff.

10. The Task Force will also adjust the Action Plan proposed by the Executive Secretariat. The Task Force shall have sixty (60) days, after the Summit of the Heads of State and Government, to present their findings to an Extraordinary Council of Ministers on a date and at a venue to be defined after consultations with the Chairperson of the Council.
11. The Heads of State and Government mandated the Executive Secretariat to re-examine both the Financial and Internal Regulations, according to the observations and reservations raised by the Ministers and to present the final documents at the next Extraordinary Summit.

12. Regarding the logo and flags, the Heads of State and Government decided to wait until new proposals are submitted by the Executive Secretariat after consultations have been made.

13. The Heads of State and Government maintained the idea of hosting a Conference on Security and Defense matters, in the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe, with the relevant Ministers. The Ministers have instructed that the previous reflections made by Nigeria be taken into account with the ongoing work at CEEAC level. This will imply a consultation between the Chairperson of the Gulf of Guinea Commission and the Chairperson of CEEAC.

14. Concerning the Democratic Republic of Congo, the Heads of State and Government expressed their gratitude for the initiatives that contribute towards the restoration of peace and security in the country and particularly to His Excellency JOSE EDUARDO DOS SANTOS, President of the Republic of Angola and its Government for their engagement towards finding a political solution to the conflict. Therefore, the Heads of State and Government took note of the Resolution 1843 of the Security Council of the United Nations on 20 November 2008, authorizing a temporary increase of MONUC soldiers by three thousand (3000) to strengthen its capacity to protect civilians.
The United Nations Security Council was advised to redefine MONUC's mandate for it to be able to act efficiently in DRC, according to the provisions of Chapter VII of the United Nations Charter.

15. The Heads of State and Government analyzed the consequences of the International Financial Crisis and the abrupt fall in Oil prices on private investments of our sub-region, on socio-economic projects, economic growth indexes, and contractual commitments with international partners. The Heads of State and Government recommended a concerted action among Member States and in particular, with Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors who will have to consider the recommendations and conclusions from the Regional Economic Communities and African Development Bank, on this subject matter, the Heads of State and Government appealed for solidarity with the less endowed member countries of the Commission.

16. The Heads of State and Government committed themselves to develop joint actions and maintain permanent consultations in all necessary sectors, aimed at ensuring the essential conditions for the maintenance of peace, security and stability within the Gulf of Guinea. This will provide a normal performance of the political, social, and economic activities, especially in the field of energy within the sub-region and in each country of the sub-region.

17. The Heads of State and Government of the Gulf of Guinea Commission, bearing in mind the recent assassination attempt on the life of the President of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau, His Excellency JOAO BERNARDO VIEIRA, condemned such an action, capable of threatening peace and stability in that country. Consequently, the Heads of State and Government expressed their full support for and solidarity with a democratically elected President, as well with the People of Guinea-Bissau and their democratic and legitimate
institutions in the country, having encouraged the efforts in consolidating the democracy and the democratic culture in Guinea Bissau.

18. The Heads of State and Government decided to put an end to the mandate of the current Executive Secretary. This decision shall take effect from January 2009.

19. The Heads of State and Government decided to nominate Mr. MIGUEL ANJOS DA CUNHA LISBOA TROVOADA, former President of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe to occupy the post of Executive Secretary of the Commission.

20. The Summit elected His Excellency JOSE EDUARDO DOS SANTOS, as Chairperson of the Gulf of Guinea Commission.

21. The Heads of State and Government decided to host the next Summit in the Republic of Equatorial Guinea.

22. The President of the Republic of Angola, His Excellency JOSE EDUARDO DOS SANTOS thanked his counterparts for the confidence reposed in him.

23. The Heads of State and Government presented their highest appreciation to His Excellency JOSE EDUARDO DOS SANTOS, for the warm reception accorded to them in Luanda.