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ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SINGLE AFRICAN AIR TRANSPORT MARKET THE UPDATED ACTIVITY ROADMAP 2016-2017

N°	Action	Objectives/Outcomes	Dates	Responsibility	Stakeholders	Remarks
1	Adoption of the Declaration on the establishment of a Single African Air Transport Market by Heads of State and Government	Declaration on the establishment of a Single African Air Transport Market representing the resolve of African leaders to the project and events.	January 2015 DONE	AUC	Member States, RECs, AFRAA, AFCAC, NPCA, ADB and other stakeholders	Done at the January 2015 Summit

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2	Declaration of Solemn Commitment by States for establishment of Single African Air Transport Market in Africa by 2017	Commitment of Member States to launch the single African air transport market as soon as possible	January 2015 DONE	AUC	Member States	Done with fourteen (14) Member States and open for all.
3	Advocacy and facilitation to involve more States in the implementation of the Yamoussoukro Decision and establishment of a single African air transport market	More States implementing the YD and joining the Single Market	Continue October 2016	AUC / Ministerial Working Group / Pan African Parliament	Member States, RECs, AFRAA, AFCAC, NPCA, and other Stakeholders	Continuous. For synergy involve AUC, ICAO, IATA, RECs. MS to use ICAO 2016 ICAN in the Bahamas for advocacy
4	Re-circulate information to all Member States, copies of the Summit Decision, Declaration and Solemn Commitment to the full implementation of the Yamoussoukro Decision and establishment of the Single African Air Transport Market	Awareness and support of the member States FOLLOW-UP ACTION: To remind States of the Decision and need for advocacy to encourage more States to join the SAATM	October , 2016	AUC	Member	Notes Verbal and Letters sent to Member States; Reminder should be sent again to all member States as follow-up

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5	Consultation with Executing Agency and RECs on management of the project on single market at continental and regional levels	Coordination and harmonization of roles for management and oversight of the single market	March— July 2015 Nov.28- Dec-2, 2016	AUC	RECs , AFRAA,AFCA C, NPCA	Back to back with STC for the Sector Feedback on draft MOC by 18th Nov. 2016
6	Review the Functions and Responsibilities of the Monitoring Body and come out with concrete recommendations to replace functions in Annex 2 of the YD	Alignment of oversight role of Monitoring Body with functions of the Executing Agency	Nov.28- Dec-2, 2016	UNECA	AUC, Member States, RECs, AFRAA, NPCA, and other Stakeholders	Annex 2 to YD to be modified to avoid duplication of roles. Task Team – UNECA/ AUC/ AFCAC
7	Concretization of the Solemn commitment made through the implementation of steps issued to States that who have signed the Solemn Commitment See updated actions – Annex 2	Verification of implementation See reviewed actions based on AUC letter – Annex 2	18 th of November 2016 for Reports February 2017 to complete	AUC	AFCAC, RECs	Serves as basis for launching of SAATM among state parties to Solemn Commitment during 2nd Ambassadorial meeting and 3rd MWG meeting

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8	Adoption of competition rules, dispute settlement mechanism, consumer protection regulations and regulatory and enforcement powers of the Executing Agency Submit to STC TIIET	Completion of the main regulatory framework and institutional arrangements for managing the single air transport market	January-2015 STC November 28th – 2nd December 2016	AUC	Member States, RECs, AFRAA, AFCAC, NPCA, and other Stakeholders	Adoption was done at the January 2015 Summit but the AUC should ensure these are finalized after its internal processes are completed
9	Organizing 3rd Ministerial Working Group on the full implementation of the Yamoussoukro Decision and establishment of the Single African Air Transport Market	Assessment of progress and preparation for launching SAATM in June 2017	November 28 th – 2 nd December 2016 To be held as side meeting at STC	AUC/ Members of the Ministerial Working Group	Member States, RECs, AFRAA, AFCAC, NPCA, and other Stakeholders	Launching held on 16 and 17 April 2015 and 2nd meeting held on 20th October 2016
10	Conclusion of Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) between AFCAC and the Regional Economic Communities (RECs)	Coordination and harmonization of roles for management and oversight of the single market	July-2015 December 2016	AFCAC & RECs	AUC, RECs, AFRAA, AFCAC , NPCA, and other Stakeholders	Deadline for the signing of the MOC concluded during the STC.

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11	Initiate the process for facilitating the free movement of persons and goods within the SAATM	Removal of nonphysical barriers. Facilitate visa for African among member states	January 2017	Member States	AUC, AFCAC, AFRAA, RECs, African Airlines,	Some State like Rwanda have already taken this measure. Some RECs have also taken similar measures but limited to intra-RECS movement
12	Putting in place of an evaluation mechanism for implementation of the Yamoussoukro Decision and the single market project. Carry out a Baseline Study on the implementation of the YD before the launching	Establish the level of implementation	July 2015 February 2017	AFCAC	Member States, AUC, RECs, AFRAA, AFCAC, NPCA, and other Stakeholders	Pending resource mobilization to the EA. Also consider possibility of AfDB or UNECA carry out the study.
13	Follow up on resource mobilization and Funding of the Executing Agency	Resource mobilized for the funding of the Executing Agency	June 2015 February 2017	AUC	AFCAC, Member States, AfDB, Continental and Regional financial Institutions and Development	Follow up with AfDB and outreach to other partners

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14	<p>Forming a follow-up Committee of Ambassadors.</p> <p>Organise 2nd follow-up meeting</p>	Mechanism for facilitating close follow-up of implementation for Ministerial Working Group	<p>April 2015 DONE</p> <p>2nd consultative meeting - February 2017</p>	AUC	Member States, RECs, AFRAA, AFCAC, NPCA, and other Stakeholders	<p>First consultative meeting held on 6 March 2015</p> <p>Back to back with Expert Meeting to prepare for launching</p>
15	Formulation of External Policy Guidelines and Binding Clauses for negotiation of air services agreements with non-African states and regions.	External Policy and binding Clauses for negotiation of air services agreements with non-African states and regions	<p>December-2015</p> <p>March 2017</p>	AUC	AUC, AFRAA, AFCAC , NPCA, and other Stakeholders	AU to seek consultancy service or solicit AfDB to finance the study
16	<p>Operationalisation of the African Civil Aviation Arbitration Tribunal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RECs to nominate arbitrators by January 2017 	Civil Aviation Tribunal Operationalization	<p>September 2015</p> <p>March 2017</p>	AFCAC	AUC and Member States	Pending the finalization of consultation with the Legal Counsel of the AUC on the appropriate nature of such a Tribunal

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17	Development of a continental air transport infrastructure master plan.	Africa's air transport infrastructure master plan	April 2017	AFCAC	AUC, Member States, RECs, AFRAA, NPCA, and other Stakeholders	Involve NEPAD/PIDA
18	Formulation of implementation regulations for the Yamoussoukro Decision	Implementation regulations for the Yamoussoukro Decision	September 2015 Ongoing Complete by May 2017	AFCAC	AUC, RECs, AFRAA, AFCAC, NPCA, and other Stakeholders	Included in the Work program of the EA
19	Formulation of rules for smooth management of the Single African Air Transport Market	Rules for smooth management of the Single African Air Transport Market	April 2016 Ongoing Complete by May 2017	AFCAC	AUC, AFRAA, NPCA, and other Stakeholders	Included in the Work Program of the EA and pending funding of the EA
20	Capacity building measures (training, staffing and technical assistance) for Member States, AUC, RECs and AFCAC	Strengthened capacities for management of the single air transport market	Starting- 2015 May 2017	AUC	Member States, RECs and AFCAC	Included in the Work Program of the EA and pending funding of the EA

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21	Launching of the Single African Air Transport Market	SAATM functional	June 2017	AUC	AFCAC, RECs and Member States	Launching at the June 2017 AU Summit meeting