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PAN-AFRICAN AGENCY OF THE GREAT GREEN WALL
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**THIRD (3rd) SUMMIT OF HEADS OF STATE AND
GOVERNMENT OF THE PAN AFRICAN AGENCY
OF THE GREAT GREEN WALL**

**July 27, 2015 in Nouakchott
Islamic Republic of Mauritania**

FINAL COMMUNIQUE



1. The 3rd Ordinary Session of the Conference of Heads of State and Government held in Nouakchott, on July 27, 2015, under the Chairmanship of His Excellency Mr. Mohamed Ould Abdel AZIZ, President of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, Current President of the Conference of Heads of State and Government of the Pan-African Agency of the Great Green Wall.
2. The Heads of State and Government and Heads of Delegations of following countries took part in this Summit:
 - H.E. Mr. Omar Ahmed Hassan EL BECHIR, President of Republic, for the Republic of Sudan,
 - H.E. Mr. Idriss Deby ITNO, President of Republic, Head of State for the Republic of Chad,
 - H.E. Mr. Mohamed Ould Abdel AZIZ, President of the Republic, for the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, and Current President of the Conference of Heads of State and Government;
 - H.E. Mr. Macky SALL, President of Republic, For the Republic of Senegal;
 - H.E. Mr. Ibrahim Boubacar KEITA, President of the Republic, for the Republic of Mali,
 - H.E. Mr. Michel KAFANDO, President of the Faso For Burkina Faso;
 - Mr. Brigi RAFINI, Prime Minister, Head of Government, representative of H.E. Mr Mahamadou ISSOUFOU, President of Republic, for the Republic of Niger;
 - Mr. Belete TAFERE DESSA, Minister of Environment and Forests, Representative of H.E. Mr. Hailemariam DESSALEGN, Prime Minister, for the Federal and Democratic Republic of Ethiopia;
 - Mr. GODWIN O. AGAMAH, Ambassador of Nigeria in Nouakchott, representative of H.E. Mr. Muhamadou BUHARI, President of the Federal Republic, for the Federal Republic of Nigeria.
3. The following Member States were absent:
 - Djibouti ;
 - Eritrea State.



4. The solemn opening ceremony was chaired by **H.E. Mr. Mohamed Ould Abdel AZIZ**, President of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, Current President of the Conference of Heads of State and Government, in the presence of the Heads of State and Government of the member Countries, the members of the Mauritanian Parliament and Government and the distinguished guests.
5. The ceremony was marked by a speech of **H.E. Mr. Mohamed Ould Abdel AZIZ**, President of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, Current President of the Conference of Heads of State and Government, preceded by speeches of the Current President of the Council of the Ministers, the Executive Secretary and the Representatives of the technical and financial partners.
6. The Summit's works took place behind close door, under the chairmanship of **H.E. Mr. Mohamed Ould Abdel AZIZ**, President of the Conference.
7. After adopting its agenda, the Conference of Heads of State and Government heard and approved the amended report of the Council of the Ministers.
8. The Conference of Heads of State and Government has decided:
 - (i) the renewal of the mandate of Mauritania to assure the current presidency of the Conference and as consequence the organization of the 4th Summit of the Heads of state and Government;
 - (ii) the recruitment of a new Executive Secretary, for a term of three (3) years, renewable once ;
 - (iii) the maintaining of the current level of the annual statutory contribution of each member State, pending the audit of the financial accounts of the Pan-African Agency of the Great Green Wall;
 - (iii) the acceptance of the Sudan's proposal to implement a carbon Bank in the framework of the Great Green wall which could play a greater role in the financing of the Great Green Wall for the fighting against poverty and climate change. Sudan informed the Summit on its availability to host, in this sense, a high-level training workshop targeting the experts of the Pan-African Agency and the member States of the Great Green Wall;
9. For reasons of solidarity between the peoples of the member States, the Conference of Heads of State and Government expressed its support for the sister Republic of Sudan and calls for the lifting of sanctions imposed to it.



10. Finally, the Heads of State and Government expressed their sincere thanks and congratulations to H.E. Mr. Mohamed Ould Abdel AZIZ, the Government and the people of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania for the fraternal and warm welcome as well as all various facilities they were granted and the perfect success of the Summit.

Done in Nouakchott, the 27th July, 2015
THE CONFERENCE

**For the Conference
The Current Chairman**



H.E. MOHAMED OULD ABDEL AZIZ

