

$13^{\rm TH}$ EXTRA ORDINARY SUMMIT OF THE EAC HEADS OF STATE

Theme: One People, One Destiny

STATE HOUSE CONFERENCE HALL, DAR ES SALAAM, TANZANIA

 13^{TH} MAY 2015

THE HEADS OF STATE CONSULTED ON THE SITUATION IN BURUNDI. AT THE TIME THEY WERE CONSULTING, THERE WERE NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN BURUNDI: -

- 1. THE SUMMIT CONDEMNS THE COUP IN BURUNDI AND CALLS FOR THE RETURN TO CONSTITUTIONAL ORDER.
- 2. GIVEN THE SITUATION IN BURUNDI, CONDITIONS ARE NOT CONDUCIVE FOR ELECTIONS IN BURUNDI AND THE SUMMIT CALLS UPON THE AUTHORITIES TO POSPTONE THE ELECTIONS FOR A PERIOD NOT BEYOND THE MANDATE OF THE CURRENT GOVERNMENT.
- 3. AS THE REGION CONTINUES TO CONSULT WITH ALL STAKEHOLDERS TO MAKE SURE THAT THE SITUATION IN BURUNDI NORMALISES AND ELECTIONS CAN BE HELD IN A FREE, FAIR AND PEACEFUL MANNER IN RESPECT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF BURUNDI, THE LAWS OF BURUNDI AND THE ARUSHA PEACE AND RECONCILIATION AGREEMENT; THE SUMMIT CONDEMNS VIOLENCE AND CALLS ON ALL PARTIES TO MAKE SURE THAT VIOLENCE STOPS.
- 4. THE REGION WILL NOT ACCEPT NOR STANDBY IF VIOLENCE DOES NOT STOP OR ESCALATES IN BURUNDI.
- 5. THE SUMMIT WILL RECONVENE SOON TO REVIEW THE SITUATION IN BURUNDI.

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