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THE ECONOMIC COUNCIL WITHIN THE SIXTH REGION HOUSE OF KINGS

WHEREAS the Executive Council of the African Union Forty-Fifth Ordinary Session, June 19 - July 19, 2024, did declare the African Union Theme for the Year 2025 as: “Justice for Africans and People of African Descent Through Reparations;”

CONTEMPLATING the ancient principles of property ownership, whether held privately or collectively, and attempts at the continued development of international law towards the return of stolen assets, as expressed in the United Nations Convention Against Corruption (2004), Chapter V;

CONTEMPLATING the presence of organized crime syndications since time immemorial, both domestically and across borders, and the enduring effort to both identify, curtail and prosecute such behaviour internationally as expressed in the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (2001);

RECOGNIZING that the trade in resources stolen from Africa and gold in particular continues to be a matter of serious continental concern, which can be directly linked to the perpetuation of armed conflict, the mobilization of rebel movements aimed at undermining or overthrowing governments, and the burgeoning proliferation of foreign-manufactured armaments, no-longer simply small and light weapons but combat weapons in African communities;

RECOGNIZING the pejorative impact of such conflicts on African regional stability and the obligations placed upon African Regional Economic Communities (RECs) by the Treaty Establishing the African Economic Community (Abuja, 1991), and knowing that continued action to curb the trade in stolen African gold is *sine que non* to the success of AfCFTA;

ACKNOWLEDGING the role of the Sixth Region in identifying stolen African resources within the region, from both past and present thefts, and the definitive impact this will have on the eradication of continental poverty and improving artisanal miners dependent on the trade in gold, and, in looking toward the future, committed to ensuring that the African Diaspora Central Bank (ADCB) is recognized as a credible institution in curbing the flow of stolen gold, and creating a secure, stable and environmentally friendly mining framework inter-regionally;

KNOWING also that accounting for stolen African gold, either in whole or partially, will support the effective payment of reparations on behalf of African kingdoms, as called for in the Reparations Act (R6-HK-2025-5r) 2025, as well as being an important catalyst for the elimination of poverty across the continent;

APPRECIATING the continuous efforts made by the Governments of Jamaica and Ghana, as well as the innumerable reparations organisations throughout all regions toward the pursuit of justice for Africans everywhere through reparations;

AWARE of the further steps to be taken by the other regions and continental bodies toward the restoration of stolen African resources and other ancestral artifacts;

MEETING in extra-ordinary session on the 4th of October 2025 in Accra,

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPT THE FOLLOWING REGULATION:

1. For purposes of this resolution, the following definitions shall be observed,

African Indigenous land-holders: African kingdoms and chieftaincies.

Theft: the unlawful removal of property without the owner's consent, with the intent to permanently deprive them of it, including the usage of force and deception.

Transnational Criminal Organisation: This type of organisation is an organised group of criminal networks, governments and families operating across national borders to conduct illicit activities, including money laundering, the trade in firearms, trafficking in humans, trafficking on cultural property, organs, drugs, natural resources, wildlife and waste.

Transnational Governmental Criminal Organisation: This type of organisation is the governmental division and participant within a transnational criminal organisation. For example, the Apartheid Government of South Africa, the slavery administration of the USA, slavery within the British framework, and all signatories within the Berlin Conference: collectively and individually these are all instances of governmental participation within transnational organized crime.

Transnational Organized Crime: The hallmark of transnational organised crime is slavery, drugs, weapons, and corruption that operates across borders, exploiting vulnerable people and undermining global security.

2. An audit shall be conducted and a reparations forensic accounting team is herein established to account for stolen gold from Africa during the period August 25, 1619 – August 1, 2019.
3. The forensic accounting team will report exclusively to the "*Reparations Treasurer*" without reference to any other department, division, or institution.
4. For purposes of this resolution, any gold sold during the South African Apartheid era may henceforth be categorized as stolen, having been sold by individuals or entities who, knowingly or unknowingly, were participants in a transnational organised crime:
 - a. Where such gold is stored in large quantities, and at any known and fixed address, the book value of the said gold may be accounted for by the reparations forensic accounting team;
 - b. Reclamations may be conducted in tranches at a sum and total not to exceed 5% per measured tranche value recorded;
 - c. By means of forensic accounting, the value of the gold will be to the benefit of the reparations treasury, whether or not the physical gold has been surrendered by its possessor, nor need the treasurer make any request to take possession;
 - d. The possessor may be informed of such forensic accounting by means of public hollar and without further notice.
5. For purposes of this resolution, gold that constitutes ancestral monuments and jewelry will not be included in this audit.