

RESOLUTION OF THE 6TH AOM MEETING 12 June 2012

We,

Assembled in Paris on 11 and 12 June 2012;

Recalling the importance of the Paris Principles concerning the statutes of National Institutions adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in Resolution 48/134 of 20 December 1993 and particularly the necessity for these institutions to be independent from any powers;

Recalling Resolution A/65/340 of 21 December 2010 by the United Nations General Assembly highlighting the role of Ombudsmen, Mediators and other National Human Rights Institutions in the promotion and protection of human rights;

Convinced that Mediators and Ombudsman institutions enable the establishment of good governance and the strengthening of democracy;

Convinced that Mediators and Ombudsman institutions play an important role in the protection of fundamental rights and freedoms and in the struggle against discrimination;

Call upon the widening of the competence of Mediators and Ombudsmen and the strengthening of their powers and means of actions;

Call upon the setting up of National Human Rights Institutions, and particularly of institutions of Mediators and Ombudsman, in countries that do not yet have these offices.