DECLARATION OF ADHESION TO THE PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT ON THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION AND THE INCLUSIVE MALI PEACE NEGOTIATIONS

The Coordination of Patriotic Resistance Movements and Forces

and

the Azawad Arab Movement

Meeting at Ouagadougou, at the invitation of His Excellency Mr Blaise CAMPAORE, CEDEAO Mediator for the crisis in Mali;

Considering their joint declaration on June 13, 2013, in which they expressed amongst other things:

- Their wish to contribute to the creation of favourable conditions for the presidential election in July 2013 throughout the national territory of Mali;
- Their commitment to re-establishing peace and security throughout the national territory of Mali;
- The demographic, economic and cultural representativeness of the communities of the northern regions of Mali;

Noting that the discussions between the Government of Mali on one hand, and HCUA and MNLA on the other, under the auspices of the CEDEAO Mediator, His Excellency Mr Blaise CAMPAORE and His Excellency Goodluck Ebele JONATHAN, Associate Mediator, and with the facilitation of the UA High Representative, the Special Representative of the UN General Secretary, the EU Special Representative, and the OCI Special Representative, enabled the signature of a Preliminary Agreement for the presidential election and inclusive peace negotiations in Mali.

Considering that the Coordination of Patriotic Resistance Movements and Forces and the Azawad Arab Movement, acknowledge in particular, in the provisions stated in this Agreement, respect for territorial integrity, national unity and republican values;

Expressing their complete support for the principles of disarmament and the cantonment of all armed groups;

Agreeing with the need to deploy the defence and security forces throughout the national territory, including in Kidal;

Recognising the importance of the need stated in the Agreement to promote an inclusive dialogue on the crisis in Mali;

In accordance with article 24 of the Preliminary Agreement for the presidential election and inclusive peace negotiations in Mali, enabling other existing Malian armed groups who so desire to adhere to it;

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The above groups note their active participation in the Joint Technical Security Committee and in the Monitoring and Evaluation Committee;

Declare their solemn and unconditional adherence to the Preliminary Agreement for the presidential election and inclusive peace negotiations in Mali of June 18, 2013 in Ouagadougou, and thereby become its stakeholders and commit to its implementation.

Done at Ouagadougou, June 18, 2013

Signatures