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The African Union Strongly Condemns the Terrorist Attacks at the Sinai Peninsula in Egypt

Addis Ababa, 13 April 2015: The Chairperson of the African Union (AU) Commission, Dr. Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma, expresses deep concern over the terrorist attacks that happened in the Sinai Peninsula in Egypt, on 12 April 2014. She strongly condemns these criminal attacks that have claimed the lives of innocent citizens, wounded many others and led to destruction of property. She notes that such acts can only be carried out by enemies of peace.

The Chairperson of the Commission expresses the AU's solidarity with the Government and people of the Egypt, and offers her condolences to the bereaved families and wishes to those wounded a speedy recovery.

She reiterates the AU's strong rejection of terrorism and violent extremism and the collective action of Member States to prevent and combat terrorism, within the framework of the AU and relevant international instruments.