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Deploring the abduction of 300 young Nigerian girls held hostage by the terrorist group "Boko Haram" in Chibok, Nigeria, on 15 April 2014;

Considering that the women and girls are from a vulnerable group, of significant demographic importance and an asset to the world;

Acknowledging the efforts already undertaken for the release of the detained girls held hostage by the terrorist group "Boko Haram";

Commending the worldwide campaign undertaken called "Bring back our Girls";

Considering that African leaders have an obligation to provide the means to protect the African peoples;

The Pan-African Parliament decides to:

1. Express its solidarity with the families of the abducted girls;
2. Vehemently condemn all forms of violence perpetrated against women in general and to these abducted girls in particular;
3. Request that measures be taken for the unconditional release of the abducted girls;
4. Appeal to the Authorities of Nigeria as well as to the international community to take further action to secure their release;
5. Request the Nigerian Government and the International community to apprehend and bring to justice the terrorist group "Boko Haram"; and
6. Condemn the use of religion to carry out criminal activities.