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German Chancellor Dr. Angela Merkel to inaugurate German-built AU Peace and Security Building

Visit to Addis Ababa, seat of the African Union, on 11 October 2016

H.E. Dr. Angela Merkel, the Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany, is scheduled to inaugurate the new Julius Nyerere Peace and Security Building on the campus of the African Union on 11 October 2016. She will address representatives from AU member states and the diplomatic corps in the new plenary hall of the AU Peace and Security Council.

The new building for the Peace and Security Department of the AU was financed by the German Federal Foreign Office and built by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ). With this building Germany supports the African Union in further strengthening its crisis prevention capacities as well as the promotion and maintenance of peace and security on the African continent.

During her visit Chancellor Dr. Angela Merkel will meet H.E. Dr. Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma, the Chairperson of the African Union Commission, AU commissioners and members of the AU Peace and Security Council. The official visit will begin with a bilateral meeting with H.E. Hailemariam Desalegn, Prime Minister of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, followed by a joint press conference. During the visit, Chancellor Dr. Angela Merkel will also meet with representatives of the Ethiopian civil society.

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