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**ALGERIAN PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE PRESENTS
CREDENTIALS**

The newly appointed Permanent Representative of the Republic of Algeria to the African Union, Mr. Aouam Nor-Eddine, today presented his credentials to the Chairperson of the African Union Commission, Prof. Alpha Oumar Konare.

Receiving the new Algerian Envoy, Prof. Konare paid tribute to the Government and people of Algeria for their contributions during Africa's liberation struggle and in the fight against Apartheid as well as in founding the African Union, of which he said President Abdelaziz Bouteflika had been one of the leading figures.

Ambassador Nor-Eddine in response expressed satisfaction with the quality of work already done by the Commission, adding that he would fully collaborate with the Commission in further realizing the objectives of the African Union.

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