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## PRESS RELEASE

### THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMISSION OF THE AFRICAN UNION (AU) EXPRESSES HIS CONCERN OVER THE EVENTS IN MAURITANIA

The Chairperson of the Commission of the African Union (AU), Alpha Oumar Konaré, is following with concern reports about a coup attempt in the Islamic Republic of Mauritania.

The Chairperson of the Commission, recalling the solemn Declaration on unconstitutional changes of Government of Lomé, reaffirms the total rejection by the AU of any unconstitutional change of government and its commitment to the respect of constitutional order. He firmly condemns any seizure or any attempt to seize power by force.

**Addis Ababa, 3 August 2005**