The Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) Africa Region at its 50th CPA Africa Region Meeting in Zanzibar between 30th August to 5th September, 2019 deliberated on the acts of xenophobic violence on African migrants in South Africa that have been spreading around a number of Provinces in South Africa and have resulted in the loss of lives and properties. The Region condemns these attacks in the strongest terms.

Whilst acknowledging the steps taken by various governments, the Region strongly urges the South African Government to hasten the steps and widen the efforts to deal decisively with the criminality involved and bring the perpetrators to book and to urge restraint and circumspection on the part of other African States whose citizens have come under attack in order to preserve the unity and integrity of Africa in accordance with the objectives of CPA Africa Region as captured in the Article 5 (e) of the CPA Constitution; to promote peace, unity, democracy, good governance and stability in all member states.

The Region further conveys its heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families and victims of those events.