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## All National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) in Africa

### INVITATION TO THE 45<sup>TH</sup> ORDINARY SESSION OF THE AFRICAN COMMISSION 13<sup>TH</sup> TO 27<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2009

I have the honour to invite National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) to the 45<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Session of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights, which is scheduled to take place in the **Republic of The Gambia from 13<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2009.**

As usual, National Human Rights Institutions are expected to bear the travel and accommodation expenses relating to the participation of their representative(s).

The Preliminary Registration Form is available at the website of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights: <http://www.achpr.org>, and should be completed and returned to the Secretariat by 20<sup>th</sup> April 2009 at the latest.

The Information Note to participants and the Draft Agenda of the Session will also be posted on the website in due course.

Representatives coming from countries outside the ECOWAS are advised to **obtain visas before travelling to The Gambia.** Those coming from countries in which the Republic of The Gambia does not have diplomatic representation will be issued visas upon arrival at Banjul International Airport, or at other points of entry, upon presentation of this letter of invitation to the Session.

**Representatives are also advised to take the necessary vaccinations, and to travel with their vaccination cards.**

**NHRIs** wishing to speak on any of the Agenda Items are strictly advised to inform the Secretariat of the African Commission in advance, and to **submit** their papers/contributions, to the latter not later than two (2) weeks prior to the Session. This is a pre-requisite for being granted permission to speak during the Sessions.

Looking forward to seeing you in Banjul,

Sincerely,  
Dr. Mary Maboreke  
Secretary to the African Commission



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