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63rd ORDINARY SESSION OF THE AFRICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS

24 October to 13 November 2018

Banjul, The Gambia

Draft Public Session Agenda

DAY 1: WEDNESDAY, 24 OCTOBER 2018

Item 1

09:00 - 13:00 **Opening Ceremony (Public Session)**

Item 2

13:00 - 13:30 **Adoption of the Agenda (Private Session)**

13:30 - 15:00 **LUNCH BREAK**

Item 3

15:00 - 15:45 **Human Rights Situation in Africa**

- a) Statements by State Delegates **(7 mins)**
- b) Statements by African Union Organs with a Human Rights Mandate **(5 mins)**
- c) Statements by Intergovernmental and International Organizations **(5 mins)**
- d) Statements by National Human Rights Institutions **(5 mins)**
- e) Statements by NGOs **(5 mins)**

Item 4

15:45 - 16:45 **Panels & Launches**
Panel on the Launch of State Reporting Guidelines and Principles on Articles 21 and 24 of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights/Newsletter of the Working group on Extractive Industries, Human Rights and the Environment in Africa

16:45 - 17:00 **TEA/COFFEE BREAK**

End of Day 1

DAY 2: THURSDAY, 25 OCTOBER 2018

Item 3 cont'd:

09:00 - 11:15 Human Rights Situation in Africa cont'd

11:15 - 11:30 *TEA/COFFEE BREAK*

Item 4 cont'd

Panels & Launches

11:30 - 12:30 Panel on the 70th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the state of play in Africa

12:30 - 13:30 Launch of the Principles on Decriminalisation of Petty Offences in Africa

13:30 - 15:00 *LUNCH BREAK*

Item 4 cont'd:

Panels & Launches

15:00 - 16:00 Panel discussion on Implementation

16:00 - 17:00 Panel on Torture and Migrants

17:00 *TEA/COFFEE & END OF DAY*

End of Day 2

DAY 3: FRIDAY, 26 OCTOBER 2018

Item 3 cont'd

09:00 - 11:15 Human Rights Situation in Africa cont'd

11:15 - 11:30 *TEA/COFFEE BREAK*

Item 4 cont'd:

Panels & Launches

11:30 - 12:30 Panel on Twenty Years of the UN Declaration on Human Rights

Defenders (2008-2018) and Five Years of Resolution 68/91 on Women Human Rights Defenders (2013-2018): Achievements and Way Forward

12:30 - 13:30 Panel on State Reporting Obligations and Guidelines to Reporting under the Maputo Protocol

13:30 - 15:00 *LUNCH BREAK*

End of Day 3

DAY 4: SATURDAY, 27 OCTOBER 2018

Item 3 cont'd

09:00 – 11:00 Human Rights Situation in Africa cont'd

11:00 – 11:15 *TEA/COFFEE BREAK*

Item 3 cont'd

11:15 – 13:30 Human Rights Situation in Africa cont'd

13:30 – 15:00 *LUNCH BREAK*

Item 4 cont'd

15:00 – 16:00 **Panels & Launches**
Panel on Extrajudicial Killings in Africa

16:00 – 17:00 Panel on Persons with Albinism

17:00 *TEA/COFFEE & END OF DAY*

End of Day 4

DAY 5: SUNDAY, 28 OCTOBER 2018

13:00 – 14:30 *LUNCH BREAK*

Item 3 cont'd

14:30 – 15:15 Human Rights Situation in Africa cont'd

Item 5

15:15 – 16:00 **Relationship and Cooperation with National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs)**

- a) Relationship and cooperation between the ACHPR and NHRIs
 - Consideration of Applications for Affiliate Status from NHRIs
- b) Relationship and cooperation between the ACHPR and NGOs:
 - Consideration of Applications for Observer Status from NGOs

Item 4 cont'd

16:00 – 17:00 **Panels & Launches**
Event/Panel on Guidelines on Access to Information and Elections

17:00 *TEA/COFFEE & END OF DAY*

End of Day 5

DAY 6: MONDAY, 29 OCTOBER 2018

Item 6 cont'd

09:00 – 09:30

Status of Submission of State Party Reports

Item 7

09:30 – 11:00

Consideration of State Periodic Reports

- State Presentation (1 Hr)
- Commissioner Rapporteur (10 mins)
- Each Special Mechanism (7 mins)
- State Response (1Hrs 30 mins)
- Concluding remarks of Commissioner Rapporteur and Chairperson (10 mins)

(i) Report of the Republic of Angola

11:00 – 11:15

TEA/COFFEE BREAK

Item 7 cont'd

11:15 – 12:30

Consideration of State Periodic Reports

Report of the Republic of Angola cont'd

12:30 – 13:30

(ii) Report of the Republic of Botswana

13:30 – 15:00

LUNCH BREAK

Item 7 cont'd

15:00 – 17:00

Consideration of State Periodic Reports

Report of the Republic of Botswana cont'd

17:00

TEA/COFFEE & END OF DAY

End of Day 6

DAY 7: TUESDAY, 30 OCTOBER 2018

Item 8

09:00 – 10:00

Presentation of APRM Country Review Reports to the Commission

Presentation of the Executive Summary of APRM Reports by the APRM Chairperson

Item 7 cont'd

10:00 – 11:00

Consideration of State Periodic Reports

(iii) Report of the Republic of Togo

11:00 – 11:15

TEA/COFFEE BREAK

Item 7 cont'd

11:15 – 12:45

Consideration of State Periodic Reports

Report of the Republic of Togo cont'd

Item 9

Activity Reports of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms (Presentations - 20 mins, Interventions - States 5 mins, NGOs

& NHRIs - 3 mins)

12:45 – 13:30

- (i) ACHPR Chairperson & Chairperson of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations/Communities in Africa;
- (ii) ACHPR Vice-Chairperson & Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Expression and Access to Information in Africa;
- (iii) Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Women in Africa;
- (iv) Special Rapporteur on Human Rights Defenders in Africa;
- (v) Special Rapporteur on Prisons, Conditions of Detention and Policing in Africa;
- (vi) Special Rapporteur on Refugees, Asylum Seekers, Internally Displaced Persons and Migrants in Africa;
- (vii) Chairperson of the Working Group on the Rights of Older Persons and People with Disabilities in Africa;
- (viii) Chairperson of the Working Group on Extractive Industries, Environment and Human Rights Violations in Africa;
- (ix) Chairperson of the Working Group on Death Penalty and Extrajudicial, Summary or Arbitrary Killings in Africa;
- (x) Chairperson of the Committee for the Prevention of Torture in Africa;
- (xi) Chairperson of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of People Living with HIV and those at Risk, Vulnerable to and Affected by HIV;
- (xii) Chairperson of the Working Group on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in Africa;
- (xiii) Chairperson of the Working Group on Communications.

13:30 – 15:00

LUNCH BREAK

Item 9 cont'd

15: 00 – 17:00

Activity Reports of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms cont'd

17:00

TEA/COFFEE & END OF DAY

End of day 7

DAY 8: WEDNESDAY, 31 OCTOBER 2018

- Item 7 cont'd** **Consideration of State Periodic Reports**
09:00 – 11:00 Report of the Republic of Angola cont'd (Responses)
- 11:00 – 11:15 *TEA/COFFEE BREAK*
- Item 7 cont'd** **Consideration of State Periodic Reports**
11:15 – 13:30 Report of the Republic of Botswana cont'd (Responses)
- 13:30 – 15:00 *LUNCH BREAK*
- Item 9 cont'd** **Activity Reports**
15:00 – 17:00 Activity Reports of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and
Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms cont'd
- 17:00 *TEA/COFFEE & END OF DAY*

End of Day 8

DAY 9: THURSDAY, 01 NOVEMBER 2018

Day 9: Thursday 1st November 2018

- Item 7 cont'd** **Consideration of State Periodic Reports**
09:00 – 11:00 Report of the Republic of Togo cont'd (Responses)
- 11:00 – 11:15 *TEA/COFFEE BREAK*
- Item 9 cont'd** **Activity Reports**
11:15 – 13:30 Activity Reports of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and
Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms cont'd
- 13:30 – 15:00 *LUNCH BREAK*
- Item 9 cont'd** **Activity Reports**
15:00 – 17:00 Activity Reports of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and
Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms cont'd
- 17:00 *TEA/COFFEE & END OF DAY*

End of Day 9

DAY 10: FRIDAY, 02 NOVEMBER 2018

- Item 9 cont'd** **Activity Reports**
09:00 – 11:00 Activity Reports of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and
Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms cont'd

11:00 - 11:15 *TEA/COFFEE BREAK*

Item 9 cont'd **Activity Reports**

11:15 - 13:30 Activity Reports of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and
Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms cont'd

13:30 - 15:00 *LUNCH BREAK*

End of Day 10

Adjournment of the Public Session, to resume on 13 November 2018

**DAY 21: TUESDAY, 13 NOVEMBER 2018 - CLOSING CEREMONY (OPEN TO THE
PUBLIC)**

Closing Ceremony

09:00 - 12:00 **Reading of the Final Communiqué and Closing Ceremony**

12:00 - 13:00 **Press Conference**

END OF THE 63RD ORDINARY SESSION
