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**Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs)  
Granted Observer Status with the  
African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights**

**INVITATION TO THE 77<sup>TH</sup> ORDINARY SESSION OF THE AFRICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN AND  
PEOPLES' RIGHTS (ACHPR)  
20<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER TO 9<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2023  
ARUSHA, UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA**

I have the honour to inform all Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) that the 77<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Session of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights (the Commission) would take place as a fully physical ground Session in Arusha, United Republic of Tanzania from **20<sup>th</sup> October to 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023**, and that they are invited to participate in the Public Session scheduled to be held from **20<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023** (in person) and the closing ceremony (in person) on **9<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

As usual, **NGOs** are expected to bear the travel costs and accommodation expenses relating to the participation of their representative(s).

The Preliminary Registration Form can be filled out online on the African Commission's website at <https://achpr.au.int> under the section "**News and Media - Upcoming Events – 77<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Session**". Kindly complete and return it to the Secretariat at [achpr.session@africa-union.org](mailto:achpr.session@africa-union.org), no later than **30 September 2023**, along with a scanned copy of the bio-data page of the Passport/Travel document and a Passport-size photo of the delegate(s), preferably in jpeg or jpg file format. These will be used to prepare badge(s) for participation in the Session. A Notice with further guidelines on the Session and an Information Note have been uploaded on the same section. The draft Agenda of the Public Session will follow shortly.

Representative(s) coming from countries which require entry visa to Tanzania are advised to **obtain visas before travelling to Tanzania**. Immigration information and requirements as well as the online visa application can be accessed at [www.immigration.go.tz](http://www.immigration.go.tz). For those who do not have Embassies or diplomatic representation of Tanzania in their countries of residence, measures shall be taken by the Host Government to facilitate the issuance of visas upon arrival in Tanzania, provided they have submitted their Registration Forms and scanned copies of their Passport biodata pages to the Secretariat of the Commission as requested.

Representative(s) are advised to take the necessary vaccinations, and to travel with their vaccination cards, especially their yellow fever vaccination cards.

NGOs wishing to speak on any of the Agenda Items are required to inform the Secretariat of the Commission in advance, and to **upload their intended statements** using the following link: <https://forms.office.com/r/EszfryN8zE>; statements may also be e-mailed to [richardsc@africa-union.org](mailto:richardsc@africa-union.org) and [achpr.session@africa-union.org](mailto:achpr.session@africa-union.org) as soon as possible, as this is a pre-requisite for taking the floor.

Sincerely,

  
Mrs Abiola Idowu-Ojo

Ag. Executive Secretary to the Commission

