59th ORDINARY SESSION OF THE AFRICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES’ RIGHTS

(21st October to 04 November 2016)
Banjul, The Gambia

Adopted Public Session Agenda

Day 1: Friday 21st October 2016

Item 1
09:00 – 13:00 Joint Opening Ceremony (Public session)

Item 2
13:00 – 13:30 Adoption of the Agenda (Private Session)

13:30 – 15:00 LUNCH BREAK
End of Day 1

Day 2: Saturday 22nd October 2016

Item 3 Human Rights Dialogue:
09:00 – 11:00 Panel 1: Ratification and Domestication of AU Human Rights Instruments

11:00 – 11:30 TEA/COFFEE BREAK

Item 3 cont’d
13:30 – 14:30  LUNCH BREAK

Item 3 cont’d

14:30 – 16:30  Panel 3: Synergy and Coordination

16:30 - 16:45  TEA/COFFEE BREAK

16:45 – 18:45  Panel 4: Human Rights and Transitional Justice

End of Day 2

Day 3: Sunday 23rd October 2016

13:00 – 14:30  LUNCH BREAK

Item 4: The Contribution of the ACHPR’s Special Mechanisms towards Strengthening the Rights of Women in Africa

14:30 – 16:00  Special Rapporteur on Rights of Women

16:00 – 17:30  Working Group on Indigenous Populations/Communities in Africa

17:30 – 17:45  TEA/COFFEE BREAK

End of Day 3

Day 4: Monday 24 October 2016

Item 4 cont’d

09:00 – 10:30  Special Rapporteur on Refugees, Asylum Seekers, Migrants and Internally Displaced Persons

10:30 – 11:00  Committee for the Prevention of Torture in Africa

11:00 – 11:15  TEA/COFFEE BREAK
Item 4 cont’d
11:15 – 12:15  Committee for the Prevention of Torture in Africa (cont’d)

Item 4 cont’d

13:30 – 15:00  LUNCH BREAK

Item 4 cont’d
15:00 – 15:15  Working Group on Extractive Industries, Environment and Human Rights Violations (cont’d)

Item 4 cont’d
15:15 – 16:45  Working Group on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

16:45 – 17:00  TEA/COFFEE BREAK

End of Day 4

Day 5: Tuesday 25 October 2016

Item 4 cont’d
09:00 – 10:30  Special Rapporteur on Prisons, Conditions of Detention and Policing in Africa

10:30 – 11:00  Committee on the Protection of the Rights of People Living With HIV (PLHIV) and Those at Risk, Vulnerable to and Affected by HIV

11:00 – 11:15  TEA/COFFEE BREAK

Item 4 cont’d
11:15 – 12:15  Committee on the Protection of the Rights of People Living With HIV (PLHIV) and Those at Risk, Vulnerable to and Affected by HIV (cont’d)

Item 4 cont’d
12:15 – 13:30  Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Expression and Access to information
13:30 – 15:00       **LUNCH BREAK**

**Item 4 cont’d**

15:00 – 15:15       Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Expression and Access to information (cont’d)

15:15 – 16:45       Special Rapporteur on Human Rights Defenders

**Item 4 cont’d**

16:45 – 17:15:       Working Group on Rights of Older Persons and People with Disabilities

17:15 - 17:30       **TEA/COFFEE BREAK**

*End of Day 5*

**Day 6: Wednesday 26 October 2016**

**Item 4 cont’d**

09:00 – 10:00       Working Group on Rights of Older Persons and People with Disabilities (cont’d)

**Item 4 cont’d**

10:00 – 11:00       Working Group on Death Penalty and Extra-Judicial, Summary or Arbitrary killings in Africa

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

**Item 4 cont’d**

11:15 – 11:45       Working Group on Death Penalty and Extra-Judicial, Summary or Arbitrary killings in Africa (cont’d)

11:45 – 13:15       Panel of youth

13:15 – 13:30       Adoption of declaration/conclusions

13:30 – 15:00       **LUNCH BREAK**

**Item 5**

15:00 – 16:00       Report of the Chairperson of the Working Group on Communications.
Item 6

16:00 – 17:00  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 7

17:00 – 17:30  Status of Submission of State Party Reports

Item 8

17:30 – 18:30  Consideration of State Periodic Reports

- State Presentation (1 Hr)
- Commissioner Rapporteur (15 mins)
- Each Commissioner (10 mins)
- State Response (2 Hr)
- Concluding remarks of Commissioner Rapporteur and Chairperson (10 mins)

i.  Report of the Republic of Mauritius
   - State Presentation (1 Hr)

18:30 – 19:00  TEA/COFFEE BREAK

End of day 6

Day 7: Thursday 27 October 2016

Item 8 cont’d  Consideration of State Periodic Reports

09:00 – 10:55  Report of the Republic of Mauritius (cont’d)
   - Commissioner Rapporteur (15 mins)
   - Each Commissioner (10 mins)
11:00 – 11:15  
**TEA/COFFEE BREAK**

**Item 8 cont’d** Consideration of State Periodic Reports

11:15 – 13:30  
ii. Report of the Republic of Côte d’Ivoire  
- State Presentation (1 Hr)  
- Commissioner Rapporteur (15 mins)

13:30 – 15:00  
**LUNCH BREAK**

**Item 8 cont’d** Consideration of State Periodic Reports

15:00 – 15:40  
Report of the Republic of Côte d’Ivoire (cont’d)  
- Each Commissioner (10 mins)

**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)

15:40 – 16:40  
(i) Chairperson & Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Expression and Access to Information in Africa;  
(ii) Vice-Chairperson & Chairperson of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations/Communities 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;  
(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;

Item 9 cont’d

16:40 – 17:40 Activity Reports of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms (cont’d)

17:40 - 17:55 TEA/COFFEE BREAK

End of Day 7

Day 8: Friday 28 October 2016

Item 8 cont’d Consideration of State Periodic Reports

09:00 – 11:00 Report of the Republic of Mauritius (cont’d)
- State Response (2 Hr)

11:00 – 11:15 TEA/COFFEE BREAK

Item 8 cont’d Consideration of State Periodic Reports

- Concluding remarks of Commissioner Rapporteur and Chairperson (10 mins)

Item 8 cont’d Consideration of State Periodic Reports

- State Response (2 Hr)
- Concluding remarks of Commissioner Rapporteur and Chairperson (10 mins)

13:30 – 15:00 LUNCH BREAK

End of Day 8
Day 9: Saturday 29 October 2016

Item 9 cont’d

09:00 – 11:00   Activity Reports of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms (cont’d)

11:00 – 11:15     TEA/COFFEE BREAK

Item 9 cont’d

11:15 – 13:30   Activity Reports of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms (cont’d)

13:30 – 15:00   LUNCH BREAK

Item 9 cont’d

15:00 – 17:45   Activity Reports of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms (cont’d)

17:45 - 18:00   TEA/COFFEE BREAK

End of Day 9

Adjournment of Public Session, to resume again on 4th November 2016

Day 15: Sunday 4th November 2016

Closing Ceremony

14:30 – 17:30   Reading of the Final Communiqué and Closing Ceremony

17:30 – 18:00   Press Conference

END OF THE 59TH ORDINARY SESSION