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75TH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE AFRICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS

*[Hybrid], Banjul, The Gambia
3 to 13 May & 23 May 2023*

Draft Public Session Agenda

DAY 1: WEDNESDAY, 03 MAY 2023

Item 1

09:00 – 11:30 **Opening Ceremony (Public session)**

11:30 – 12:00 **TEA/COFFEE BREAK**

Item 2

12:00 – 12:30 **Adoption of the Session Agenda (Private Session)**

Item 3:

Statements on Human Rights Situation in Africa

- a) Statements by State Delegates **(10 mins)**
- b) Statement by African Union Organs with a Human Rights Mandate **(10 mins)**
- c) Statements by Intergovernmental and International Organizations **(10 mins)**
- d) Statements by National Human Rights Institutions **(8 mins)**
- e) Statements by Non-Governmental Organisations **(8 minutes)**

12:30 - 13:00 **Statements on Human Rights Situation in Africa**

13:00 – 14:30 **LUNCH BREAK**

Item 3 cont'd: **Human Rights Situation in Africa**

14:30 – 17:30 **Human Rights Situation in Africa**

17:30 **TEA/COFFEE BREAK/END OF DAY**

END OF DAY 1

Item 4: Consideration of Applications for Observer and Affiliate Status

- 9:00– 10:30 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

10:30– 11:00 TEA/COFFEE BREAK

Item 5: Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms (Presentations – 20mins, Interventions – States 8 mins, NGOs & NHRIs 5 mins)

- 11:00– 13:00 Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms**
- (i) Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Women in Africa;
 - (ii) Special Rapporteur on Prisons, Conditions of Detention and Policing in Africa;
 - (iii) Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Expression and Access to Information in Africa;
 - (iv) 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;
 - (v) Chairperson of the Working Group on the Rights of Older Persons and People with Disabilities in Africa;
 - (vi) Chairperson of the Committee for the Prevention of Torture in Africa;
 - (vii) Chairperson of the Working Group on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in Africa;
 - (viii) Chairperson of the Working Group on Death Penalty and Extrajudicial, Summary or Arbitrary Killings and Enforced Disappearances in Africa;
 - (ix) Chairperson of the Working Group on Communications;
 - (x) Chairperson of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations/Communities in Africa;
 - (xi) Chairperson of the Working Group on Extractive Industries, Environment and Human Rights Violations in Africa;
 - (xii) Vice Chairperson of the ACHPR & Special Rapporteur on Refugees, Asylum Seekers, Internally Displaced Persons and Migrants in Africa;

- (xiii) Chairperson of the ACHPR on activities of the Chairperson, the Bureau & Special Rapporteur on Human Rights Defenders and Reprisals in Africa.

13:00 – 14:30 **LUNCH BREAK**

Item 3 cont'd: **Human Rights Situation in Africa**

14:30 – 17:30 Human Rights Situation in Africa

17:30 **TEA/COFFEE BREAK/END OF DAY**

END OF DAY 2

DAY 3: FRIDAY, 05 MAY 2023

Item 3 cont'd: **Human Rights Situation in Africa**

09:00 – 10:30 Human Rights Situation in Africa

10:30– 11:00 **TEA/COFFEE BREAK**

Item 5: **Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms** (Presentations – 20mins, Interventions – States 8 mins, NGOs & NHRIs 5 mins)

11:00 – 13:00 Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms, contd.

END OF DAY 3

DAY 4: SATURDAY, 06 MAY 2023

Item 3 cont'd: **Human Rights Situation in Africa**

09:00 – 10:30 Human Rights Situation in Africa

10:30– 11:00 **TEA/COFFEE BREAK**

Item 5: **Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms** (Presentations – 20mins, Interventions – States 8 mins, NGOs & NHRIs 5 mins)

11:00 – 13:00 Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms, contd.

13:00 – 14:30 **LUNCH BREAK**

Item 3 cont'd: **Human Rights Situation in Africa**

14:30 – 17:30 Human Rights Situation in Africa

17:30 **TEA/COFFEE BREAK/END OF DAY**

END OF DAY 4

DAY 5: SUNDAY, 07 MAY 2023

Item 3 cont'd: **Human Rights Situation in Africa**

14:30 – 17:30 Human Rights Situation in Africa

17:30 *TEA/COFFEE BREAK/END OF DAY*

END OF DAY 5

DAY 6: MONDAY, 08 MAY 2023

Item 5: **Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms** (Presentations – 20mins, Interventions – States 8 mins, NGOs & NHRIs 5 mins)

09:00– 10:30 Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms, contd.

10:30– 11:00 *TEA/COFFEE BREAK*

Item 6: **Panel & Launches**

11:00 – 12:30 Panel on Protection of the socio-economic rights of refugees and migrants at the national level

Item 3 cont'd: **Human Rights Situation in Africa**

12:30 – 13:00 Human Rights Situation in Africa

13:00 – 14:30 *LUNCH BREAK*

Item 6 cont'd: **Panel & Launches**

14:30 – 16:00 Panel on Increasing awareness of the Guidelines on Freedom of Association and Assembly in Africa, for effective implementation

Item 3 cont'd: **Human Rights Situation in Africa**

16:00 – 17:30 Human Rights Situation in Africa

17:30 *TEA/COFFEE BREAK/END OF DAY*

END OF DAY 6

DAY 7: TUESDAY, 09 MAY 2023

<u>Item 5, contd.:</u>	Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms (Presentations – 20mins, Interventions – States 8 mins, NGOs & NHRIs 5 mins)
09:00– 10:30	Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms, contd.
10:30– 11:00	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
<u>Item 3 cont’d:</u>	Human Rights Situation in Africa
11:00 – 11:30	Human Rights Situation in Africa
<u>Item 6 cont’d:</u>	Panel & Launches
11:30 – 13:00	Panel of Awareness in support of the treaty against trade of instruments of torture
13:00 – 14:30	LUNCH BREAK
<u>Item 3 cont’d:</u>	Human Rights Situation in Africa
14:30 – 15:30	Human Rights Situation in Africa
<u>Item 6 cont’d:</u>	Panel & Launches
15:30 – 17:00	Panel to disseminate the UN Working Group on Enforced Disappearances Thematic Study (Aua Baldé)
<u>Item 3 cont’d:</u>	Human Rights Situation in Africa
17:00 – 17:30	Human Rights Situation in Africa
17:30	TEA/COFFEE BREAK/END OF DAY

END OF DAY 7

DAY 8: WEDNESDAY, 10 MAY 2023

<u>Item 5, contd.:</u>	Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms (Presentations – 20mins, Interventions – States 8 mins, NGOs & NHRIs 5 mins)
09:00– 10:30	Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms, contd.
10:30– 11:00	TEA/COFFEE BREAK

<u>Item 6 cont'd</u>	Panels & Launches
11:00 – 12:30	Panel on African Union Theme of the Year for 2023 “Acceleration of AfCFTA Implementation”
<u>Item 3 cont'd:</u>	Human Rights Situation in Africa
12:30 – 13:00	Human Rights Situation in Africa
13:00 – 14:30	LUNCH BREAK
<u>Item 3 cont'd:</u>	Human Rights Situation in Africa
14:30 – 15:00	Human Rights Situation in Africa
<u>Item 6 cont'd</u>	Panels & Launches
15:00 – 16:30	Panel on Leveraging Data for meaningful progress towards Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
<u>Item 3 cont'd:</u>	Human Rights Situation in Africa
16:30 – 17:30	Human Rights Situation in Africa
17:30	TEA/COFFEE BREAK/END OF DAY

END OF DAY 8

DAY 9: THURSDAY, 11 MAY 2023

<u>Item 6, contd.:</u>	Panels & Launches
09:00 – 10:00	Panel on State Reporting
<u>Item 7:</u>	Consideration of State Reports
10:00 – 10:30	Status of Submission of State Party Reports
10:30 – 11:00	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
11:00 – 13:00	Report of the Republic of Senegal (Presentation & Questions) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome Remarks by the Chairperson (5 minutes) - State Presentation (1 Hr) - Questions by Commissioner Rapporteur (10 mins) - Questions by Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Women in Africa (SRRWA), on the Maputo Protocol (where applicable) (10 minutes) - Questions by Special Rapporteur on Refugees, Asylum Seekers, Internally Displaced Persons and Migrants (where applicable) (10 minutes) - Questions by other Special Mechanisms (7 mins) - State Response (1Hr)

- Concluding remarks of the SRRWA on the Maputo Protocol (where applicable) (5 mins)
- Concluding remarks of Commissioner Rapporteur and Chairperson (10 mins)

13:00 – 14:30

LUNCH BREAK

Item 6, contd.:

Panels & Launches

14:30 – 16:00

Panel on the official launch of the Guidelines on Adhering to Human and Peoples' Rights under the African Charter in the Context of States of Emergency or Disaster

Item 7:

Consideration of State Reports

16:00 – 17:00

Report of the Republic of **Senegal**
(Questions cont'd.)

Item 3 cont'd:

Human Rights Situation in Africa

17:00 – 17:30

Human Rights Situation in Africa

17:30

TEA/COFFEE BREAK/END OF DAY

END OF DAY 9

DAY 10: FRIDAY, 12 MAY 2023

Item 7, contd.:

Consideration of State Reports

09:00 – 10:30

Report of the Republic of **Zambia**
(Presentation & Questions)

- Welcome Remarks by the Chairperson (5 minutes)
- State Presentation (1 Hr)
- Questions by Commissioner Rapporteur (10 mins)
- Questions by Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Women in Africa (SRRWA), on the Maputo Protocol (where applicable) (10 minutes)
- Questions by Special Rapporteur on Refugees, Asylum Seekers, Internally Displaced Persons and Migrants (where applicable) (10 minutes)
- Questions by other Special Mechanisms (7 mins)
- State Response (1Hr)
- Concluding remarks of the SRRWA on the Maputo Protocol (where applicable) (5 mins)
- Concluding remarks of Commissioner Rapporteur and Chairperson (10 mins)

10:30– 11:00

TEA/COFFEE BREAK

<u>Item 7 cont'd</u>	Consideration of State Periodic Reports
11:00- 12:30	Report of the Republic of Zambia (Questions cont'd.)
<u>Item 3 cont'd:</u>	Human Rights Situation in Africa
12:30 - 13:00	Human Rights Situation in Africa

END OF DAY 10

DAY 11: SATURDAY, 13 MAY 2023

<u>Item 7, contd.:</u>	Consideration of State Reports
09:00 – 10:30	Report of the Republic of Senegal (Presentation of Responses)
10:30– 11:00	<i>TEA/COFFEE BREAK</i>
<u>Item 7, contd.:</u>	Consideration of State Reports
11:00 – 12:30	Report of the Republic of Zambia (Presentation of Responses)
<u>Item 3 cont'd:</u>	Human Rights Situation in Africa
12:30 – 13:00	Human Rights Situation in Africa
13:00– 14:30	<i>LUNCH BREAK</i>
<u>Item 3 cont'd:</u>	Human Rights Situation in Africa
14:30 – 17:30	Human Rights Situation in Africa
17:30	<i>TEA/COFFEE BREAK/END OF DAY</i>

END OF DAY 11

ADJOURNMENT OF PUBLIC SESSION, TO RESUME ON 23 MAY 2023

DAY 21: TUESDAY 23 MAY 2023 – CLOSING CEREMONY (OPEN TO THE PUBLIC)

Item 8:

Closing Ceremony

10:00 – 11:30	Reading of the Final Communiqué and Closing Ceremony
12:00 – 13:30	Press Conference of the Chairperson with the Media

END OF THE 75TH ORDINARY SESSION
