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Friday, 12 November
2010

Item 5 - Commemoration of the 30th Anniversary of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights

Under this agenda item speeches were delivered by:


- Representative of AU Member States
- H.E. Mrs Julia Dolly Joiner, Commissioner for Political Affairs of the African Union Commission
- Mr Patrice Vahard representing H.E. Ambassador Said Djinnit, Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General and Head of Office for West Africa
- H.E. Mme Reine Alapini Gansou, Chairperson of the ACHPR

A minute of silence was observed

The Commemoration of the 30th year of the African Charter was officially launched

The Chairperson of the ACHPR and other Commissioners held a press conference

The newsletter Africa Torture Watch of the ACHPR was launched by Commissioner Dupe Atoki

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Item 4(e) –Statements by NGOs

- Survival International
- UNIPROBA
- Liga Mocambicana dos Direitos Humanos (LDH)
- Prisoners Rehabilitation and Welfare Action (PRAWA)
- Association Tunisien des Droits de l'Enfants
- Legal Resources Centre
- Bajito under Africa
- Minority Rights Group
- Le Movement de la paix et des Droits de l'Homme et des peuples
- La Rencontre Afriacine des Droits de l'Homme
- National Union of Tunisian Women
- Amnesty international
- COPORWA
- Community Law Centre
- Liga Guinese Humanos
- West African Human Rights Defenders Network

The following states exercised their right of reply:

- Republic of South Africa
- Arab Republic of Egypt
- Republic of Senegal
- Republic of Zimbabwe
- Republic of The Sudan
- Federal Republic of Nigeria
- Kingdom of Lesotho
- Republic of Burkina Faso
- Republic of Togo

Item 7 – examination of state reports

Item 7(a) – the status of state reports was presented by Commissioner Yeung Kam John Yeung Sik Yuen

Item 6(b)(i) – Commissioner Dupe Atoki made a presentation on the cooperation between the ACHPR and NGOs.

The following NGOs made a statement under this agenda item:

- Interights
- Alternative Cameroon

Item 6(b)(ii) – Consideration of Application for Observer Status

The following NGOs were granted observer status:

- Network of African Human Rights Institutions

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Sunday, 14 November
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Item 6 (b)(i) – Relation with NGOs

The following NGOs made statements under this agenda item:

- Cairo Institute for Human Rights Studies

Item 7(b) – Consideration of the Periodic Report of the Democratic Republic of Congo

The state delegate of the DRC presented the periodic report of the DRC and several questions were asked by members of the African Commission

Item 6(b)(ii) – Consideration of Application for Observer Status

The following NGOs were granted observer status:

- OSISA
- Secretariat of the African Decade for Persons with Disabilities
- Eastern African Journalists Association
- Consortium for Refugees and Migrants in South Africa (CORMSA)
- Dimension Sociale Benin

Item 6(a) – Relationship between the ACHPR and NHRIs

Commissioner Kayitesi Zainabou Sylvie presented a report on the status of the relationship between the ACHPR and NHRIs

The Institute for Human Rights and Development in Africa made a statement under this agenda item.

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2010

Item 7(b) – Consideration of the Periodic Report of the Democratic Republic of Congo

The delegate of the DRC responded to the questions forwarded by members of the Commission.

Item 8 – presentation of the activity reports of members of the Commission and special mechanisms

Commissioner Dupe Atoki presented her report as member of the Commission and as the Special Rapporteur of Prisons and Places of Detention in Africa and as the Chairperson of the Committee for the Prevention of Torture in Africa

The following NGOs made statements under this agenda item:

- PRAWA
- Community Law Centre
- Rights Enforcement.....
- Institute for Human Rights and Development in Africa

Item 4(a) – statements by state delegates

- Saharawi Arab Democratic Republic
- Republic of Kenya

Item 8 – Commissioner Maiga presented her activity report as member of the Commission and as the Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Women in Africa and as member of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations/Communities in Africa

The following NGOs made statements following her presentation:

- FiDH

- Institute for Human Rights and Development in Africa
- Human Rights Institute of South Africa

Commissioner Pansy Tlakula presented her report as member of the Commission and as the Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Expression and Information in Africa

The following NGOs made statements following Commissioner Tlakula's presentation:

- Collectif des familles des Disparus en Algerie
- East and Horn of Africa Human Rights Defenders Project
- Monitoring Project Zimbabwe
- ...South Africa
- Media Institute of Southern Africa, Zimbabwe

The delegates of Uganda, Nigeria, Zimbabwe and Algeria requested to be granted the right of reply under this agenda item. Accordingly, the following state delegates exercised their right of reply:

- Republic of Uganda
- Federal Republic of Nigeria
- Republic of Zimbabwe
- People's Democratic Republic of Algeria

Commissioner Mohamed Khalfallah presented his report as member of the Commission and as the Special Rapporteur on Human Rights Defenders

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**Wednesday, 17
November 2010**

Item 8 – Commissioner Bitaye presented his intersession activity report as member of the Commission and as the Chairperson of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations/Communities in Africa

- Minority Rights Group made a statement following the presentation of Commissioner Bitaye
- The delegate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria made a statement

Commissioner Kaiytesi presented her report as member of the Commission and as the Chairperson of the Working Group on the Death Penalty

The following NGOs made statements following Commissioner Kaiytesi's presentation:

- OMCT
- Aid the Children Network

The following state delegates made statements following Commissioner Kaiytesi's presentation:

- People's Democratic Republic of Algeria
- Republic of Nigeria

Commissioner Yueng presented his report as member of the Commission and as Chairperson of the Working Group on Older Persons in Africa

Commissioner Alapini-Gansou's report as member of the Commission and Bureau and as the Chairperson of the Committee on the Rights of PLHIV, those at Risk and Vulnerable to HIV was read by Commissioner Maiga

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Commissioner Malila presented his intersession report as member of the Commission, the Bureau, as Chairperson of the Working Group on Extractive Industries, as a member of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations/Communities, the Working Group on Death Penalty and the Committee on the Rights of PLWHIV.

- Institute for Human Rights and Development in Africa
- FIDA Kenya