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**REPORT ON ELECTION OF FOUR (4) MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN  
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1. The election of the Members of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights (ACHPR) is governed by the provisions of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights (the African Charter) and the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Council.
2. The ACHPR is established by Article 31 (1) of the African Charter which provides that the ACHPR "shall consist of eleven members chosen from among African personalities of the highest reputation, known for their high morality, integrity, impartiality and competence in matter of human and peoples' rights, particular consideration being given to persons having legal experiences".
3. This election is being conducted as the term of office of the following four (4) Members of the ACHPR who were elected in June 2011 vide decision **Assembly/AU/Dec.378(XVII)** adopted in Malabo, Equatorial Guinea for a term of six (6) years, shall expire in July 2017:

No	Name	Country	Gender	Region
1.	Reine Adelaïde ALAPINI*	Benin	Female	West
2.	Med S.K. KAGGWA	Uganda	Male	East
3.	Maya SAHLI FADEL	Algeria	Female	North
4.	Faith Pansy TLAKULA*	South Africa	Female	South

*\*Not eligible for re-election*

4. In this regard, the current election relate to the election of four (4) Members for a six (6) year term. In accordance with Article 36 of the African Charter and the Decision EX.CL/Dec.907 (XXVIII) on the Modalities on Implementation of Criteria for Equitable Geographical and Gender Representation in the African Union Organs, two of the above mentioned members are eligible for re-election.
5. The Commission would like to draw the attention of the Executive Council that after the expiry of the terms of the four (4) members of the ACPHR, the regional and gender representation will be as follows:

**a) Regional representation:**

Central	:	One (1)
East	:	Four (4)
North	:	Zero (0)
South	:	Zero (0)
West	:	Two (2)
<b>Vacancies</b>	:	<b>Four (4)</b>
<b>Total</b>	:	<b>Eleven (11)</b>

**b) Gender representation**

Female : Four (4)  
Male : Three (3)

**6.** Furthermore, the Commission would like to draw the attention of all Member States to decision EX.CL/Dec.907(XXVIII) adopted by the Executive Council in January 2016 on the Modalities on Implementation of the Criteria for Equitable Geographical and Gender Representation in the African Union Organs. Paragraph 2 of the said Decision on the Modalities provides as follows:

- i) The regional representation, where applicable, shall be East (2), Central (2), North (2), South (2) and West (2), except in cases in which a region which has been duly informed has not presented candidates;
- ii) Where applicable, one (1) seat shall be a floating seat and will rotate among the five (5) regions;
- iii) At least one (1) member from each region should be a woman;
- iv) The modalities shall become effective immediately.

**7.** In this regard, during these elections, the Modalities on Implementation of Criteria for Equitable Geographical and Gender Representation in the African Union Organs shall be applied.

**8.** It will be recalled that the Commission invited States Parties through its Note Verbal under reference BC/OLC/66/444.17 and dated 8 March 2017 and Note Verbal under reference BC/OLC/66/555.17 and dated 22 March 2017 to submit candidates on or before the deadline on 28 April 2017. The Commission extended the deadline once more to 17 May 2017 through its Note Verbal under reference BC/OLC/66/792.17 and dated 4 May 2017. The Commission would like to inform Member States that in accordance with Paragraph 2 (i) of the said Modalities, despite due notification, the Commission failed to receive Female Candidatures/nominations from the Central Region and Male Candidatures/Nominations from the Southern Region.

**9.** Furthermore, as at the initially set deadline of 28 April 2017 and extended deadline of 17 March and 4 May 2017 respectively, the Commission received from the States Parties to the African Charter the following candidatures listed in alphabetical order by their surname :

<b>N O.</b>	<b>NAMES</b>	<b>GENDER</b>	<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>REGION</b>
1	ESSAIEM Hatem	Male	Tunisia	Northern
2	FADEL Maya Sahli	Female	Algeria	Northern
3	LUMBU Ngoy Remy	Male	RDC	Central
4	TERESA Manuela Maria	Female	Angola	Southern
5	WEDI DJAMBA Dieu-Donne	Male	RDC	Central
6*	SIANGANY WAWONDO Rosine Valerie	Female	Congo	Central

\* Candidature received after the deadline, on 2<sup>nd</sup> June; deadline was 30 May 2017.

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# Rapport sur l'Élection de Quatre (4) Membres de la Commission Africaine des Droits de l'Homme et des Peuples (CADHP)

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