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**REPORT ON THE ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF ONE (1)  
MEMBER OF THE AFRICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN AND  
PEOPLES' RIGHTS**

## REPORT ON THE ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF ONE (1) MEMBER OF THE AFRICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS

1. The elections of the Members of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights (ACHPR) are based on the provisions of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights (the Charter) as well as the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Council.
2. The ACHPR is established by Article 31(1) of the 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 matters of human and peoples' rights; particular consideration being given to persons having legal experience."*
3. The members of the ACHPR serve in their personal capacity, in accordance with Article 31(2) of the Charter.
4. Further, Article 36 of the Charter provides that members shall be appointed for a six (6) year period and shall be eligible for re-election.
5. The Commission would like to inform the Executive Council of the resignation of **Hon. Alexia AMESBURY (Seychelles)** on 16 September 2021. She was elected in February 2020 on the floating seat, for a term of six (6) years.

### Modalities for Election

6. Paragraph 2 of Decision **EX.CL/907 (XXVII)** on the Modalities on the Implementation of the Criteria on Equitable Geographical and Gender Representation in AU Organs and Institutions, adopted by the Executive Council in January 2016, reads 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. With the one (1) vacancy, the regional and gender representation of the ACHPR will be as follows:

REGION	MEMBERS	GENDER	
		FEMALE	MALE
Central	2	1	1
East	2	1	1
North	2	1	1
South	2	1	1
West	2	1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>

8. Therefore, during these elections, in accordance with the Modalities on Implementation of Criteria for Equitable Geographical Representation in the African Union Organs, the following member shall be elected:

- **Eastern Region-** One (1) candidate: female or male

### **Submission of Candidates**

9. The Commission, through its Note Verbal reference number BC/OLC/66.5/12102.22 dated 14 April 2022 invited States Parties to the Charter from the Eastern Region to submit candidatures on or before the deadline on 30 May 2022.

10. The Commission would like to inform the Executive Council that the candidatures received from States Parties to the Charter are as follows:

NO	NAME	GENDER	COUNTRY	REGION
1	Litha Musyimi OGANA	F	Kenya	Eastern
2	Fabien TOMBOHAVANA	M	Madagascar	Eastern
3	Fauzat Mariam WANGADYA	F	Uganda	Eastern

11. It will be recalled that the Assembly, vide Decision **Assembly/AU/Dec.760 (XXXIII)** adopted in February 2020 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia delegated its authority of appointment of members of AU Organs and institutions, to the Executive Council.

12. In this regard the elected members shall automatically be appointed by the Council.

**DRAFT DECISION ON THE ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF ONE (1)  
MEMBER OF THE AFRICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS**

**The Executive Council,**

**1. TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Commission on the Election and Appointment of One (1) Member of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights;

**2. ELECTS AND APPOINTS** the following member of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights for a term that **will expire in February 2026:**

<b>NO.</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>GENDER</b>	<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>REGION</b>
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