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**REPORT ON THE ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN**  
**COMMISSION ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS**

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**I. INTRODUCTION**

1. The African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights (the ACHPR) is established within the African Union, in terms of Article 30 of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights (the Charter). The Charter was adopted by the 28<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government in Nairobi, Kenya, in June 1981. The Charter entered into force on 21 October 1986 after ratification by a simple majority of Member States of the Organization.

2. The main mandate of ACHPR is to promote and protect human and people rights in the continent.

**II. COMPOSITION**

3. ACHPR is composed of eleven (11) members, who serve in their personal capacity. The first members were elected in July 1987.

4. In terms of Article 32 of the Charter, the Commission shall not include in the final list for election more than one (1) national of the same state.

**III. REQUIREMENTS FOR APPOINTMENT**

5. The requirements for membership of the ACHPR are set out in Article 31 and 33 of the Charter, which require members of the ACHPR to be:

a) **“of highest reputation, high morality, integrity, impartiality and competence in matters of the human and peoples' rights and have legal experience.**

b) **Nationals of States Parties to the Charter.”**

**IV. TERM OF OFFICE**

6. In accordance with the provisions of Article 36 of the Charter, the members of the ACHPR are elected for a six year period and shall be eligible for re-election. However, the term of office of four of the members elected at the first election in 1987 terminated after two years and the term of three others, at the end of four years.

**V. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS**

7. The Charter entered into force in 1986 and the first election for the ACHPR took place in 1987. After the elections in Maputo, Mozambique in July 2003, the ACHPR was composed as follows:

NO	NAME	COUNTRY	TERM OF OFFICE
1.	E.V.O. Dankwa	GHANA	6 years from July 1999
2.	Andrew Chigovera	ZIMBABWE	6 " " " 1999
3.	Vera Mlangazuwa Chirwa	MALAWI	6 " " " 1999
4.	Jainaba Johm	GAMBIA	6 " " " 1999
5.	Yasin Sed Ahmed El Hassan	SUDAN	6 years from July 2001
6.	Angela Melo	MOZAMBIQUE	6 " " " 2001
7.	Mohamed Kamel Rezzag-Bara	ALGERIA	6 " " " 2001
8.	Salamata Sawadogo née Tabsoba	BURKINA FASO	6 " " " 2001
9.	Sanji Monageng	BOTSWANA	6 years from July 2003
10.	Mohamed Abdellahi Ould Babana	MAURITANIA	6 " " " 2003
11.	Bahame Tom Mukirya Nyanduga	TANZANIA	6 " " " 2003

8. The term of the following members elected in 1999 expired in 2005 and hence elections were held in 2003:

- i) Commissioner Janaiba JOHM (The Gambia)
- ii) Commissioner Victor Oware DANKWA (Ghana)
- iii) Commissioner Andrew Ranganayi CHIGOVERA (Zimbabwe)
- iv) Commissioner Vera Mlanguzuwa CHIRWA (Malawi)

These members were eligible for re-election.

9. The following members were elected in July 2005, in Sirte, Libya:

NO	NAME	COUNTRY	TERM OF OFFICE
1.	Mrs. Reine ALAPINI-GANSOU	BENIN	6 years from July 2005
2.	Mr. Musa Ngary BITAYE	THE GAMBIA	6 " " " 2005
3.	Adv. Faith Pansy TLAKULA	SOUTH AFRICA	6 " " " 2005
4.	Mr. Mumba MALILA	ZAMBIA	6 " " " 2005

10. The composition of the ACHPR was as follows as at July 2005:

NO	NAME	COUNTRY	TERM OF OFFICE
1.	Yasin Sed Ahmed El Hassan	SUDAN	6 years from July 2001
2.	Angela Melo	MOZAMBIQUE	6 " " " 2001

3.	Mohamed Kamel Rezzag-Bara	ALGERIA	6	"	"	"	2001
4.	Salamata Sawadogo née Tabsoba	BURKINA FASO	6	"	"	"	2001
5.	Sanji Monageng	BOTSWANA	6	years from July			2003
6.	Mohamed Abdellahi Ould Babana	MAURITANIA	6	"	"	"	2003
7.	Bahame Tom Mukirya Nyanduga	TANZANIA	6	"	"	"	2003
8.	Mrs. Reine ALAPINI-GANSOU	BENIN	6	years from July			2005
9.	Mr. Musa Ngary BITAYE	THE GAMBIA	6	"	"	"	2005
10.	Adv. Faith Pansy TLAKULA	SOUTH AFRICA	6	"	"	"	2005
11.	Mr. Mumba MALILA	ZAMBIA	6	"	"	"	2005

11. The term of office of the four (4) members elected in July 2001 expired in July 2007. These are namely: Mr. Yasin Sed Ahmed El Hassan, Ms. Angela Melo, Mr. Kamel Rezzag-Bara, Mr. Salamata Sawadogo née Tabsoba. Additionally, in conformity with the relevant provisions of the African Charter, the members of the ACHPR unanimously decided to declare vacant the seat of one member and informed the Chairperson of the Commission accordingly. These members were eligible for re-election.

12. Consequently, at the July 2007 elections, the following five (5) candidates were elected:

- i) Mme Catherine Dupe Atoki (6 year term)
- ii) Mme Soyata Maiga (6 year term)
- iii) Mrs. Angela Melo (6 year term)
- iv) M. Yeung Kam John Yeung Sik Yuen (6 year term)
- v) Mme Zainabu Sylvie Kayitesi (2 year term)

13. The composition of the ACHPR was as follows as at July 2007:

NO	NAME	COUNTRY	TERM OF OFFICE
1.	Sanji MONAGENG	BOTSWANA	6 years from July 2003
2.	Bahame Tom Mukirya NYANDUGA	TANZANIA	6 " " " 2003
3.	Mrs. Zainabu Sylvie KAYITESI	RWANDA	2 years from July 2007
4.	Mrs. Reine ALAPINI-GANSOU	BENIN	6 years from July 2005
5.	Mr. Musa Ngary BITAYE	THE GAMBIA	6 " " " 2005
6.	Adv. Faith Pansy TLAKULA	SOUTH AFRICA	6 " " " 2005
7.	Mr. Mumba MALILA	ZAMBIA	6 " " " 2005

NO	NAME	COUNTRY	TERM OF OFFICE
8.	Mrs. Catherine Dupe ATOKI	NIGERIA	6 years from July 2007
9.	Mrs. Soyata MAIGA	MALI	6 " " " 2007
10.	Dr. Angela MELO (Mrs)	MOZAMBIQUE	6 " " " 2007
11.	Mr. Yeung Kam John YEUNG SIK YUEN	MAURITIUS	6 " " " 2007

## VI. ELECTIONS OF JULY 2009

14. Pursuant to the provisions of Article 35 of the Charter, the Commission, vide Note Verbale No. BC/OLC/66/1437.09.Vol.VII dated 27 March 2009, informed Member States that three (3) vacancies would arise in the membership of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights and that elections would be carried out during the Fifteenth Ordinary Session of the Executive Council, scheduled for July 2009. The Commission therefore, invited States Parties to submit nominations on or before 15 May 2009 to facilitate processing and circulation to Member States. It should be noted that this is the only AU treaty that has been ratified by all member States.

15. In conformity with Article 36 of the Charter, the mandate of two (2) of the members of the Commission elected in July 2003 will expire in June 2009. Additionally, the mandate of Ms. Zainabu Sylvie Kayitesi, who was elected by the Executive Council in July 2007 for 2 years to complete the remaining term of office of Mr. Ould Babana, will also expire in July 2009. It should be pointed out that these members are however, eligible for re-election. The members of the Commission concerned are:

- i) Sanji Monageng (Botswana)
- ii) Bahame Tom Mukirya Nyanduga (Tanzania)
- iii) Mrs. Zainabu Sylvie Kayitesi (Rwanda)

16. The Commission further informed Member States that the elections of new members would be conducted during the Fifteenth Ordinary Session of the Executive Council scheduled for June/July 2009.

17. Accordingly, there are three (3) vacancies to be filled in the forthcoming elections.

18. Article 33 of the Charter provides that members of the ACHPR are elected by the Assembly by secret ballot from a list of persons nominated by the States parties. However, following delegation of power, by virtue of Rule 5 (1) (f) of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Council, the members of the ACHPR will be elected by the Executive Council in July 2009 and appointed by the Assembly.

19. The Commission also drew the attention of Member States, inter alia, to the following requirements for election as member of the ACHPR as set out in its Note Verbale reference BC/OLC/66/1437.09.Vol.VII dated 27 March 2009:

- **Article 31(1) of the African Charter which sets out the composition and qualifications for membership, as follows:**

*“The Commission [on Human and Peoples' Rights] shall consist of eleven members chosen from amongst 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.”*

- **Article 34 of the African Charter provides that:**

*“Each State Party... may not nominate more than two candidates. The candidates must have the nationality of one of the States parties to the present Charter. When two candidates are nominated by a State, one of them may not be a national of that State.”*

20. Accordingly, States Parties were requested to require nominees to complete biographical information indicating judicial, practical, academic, activist, professional and other relevant experience in the field of human and peoples' rights. Such biographical information should also include information on political and other associations relevant to determining questions of both eligibility and incompatibility. In addition, nominees should submit statements indicating how they fulfil the criteria for eligibility contained in the Charter.

21. The Commission also drew the attention of Member States, as a guide for States Parties in interpreting the question of incompatibility or impartiality, to the Advisory Committee of Jurists on the establishment of the Permanent Court of International Justice (now the International Court of Justice (ICJ) had pointed out that ***“(A) member of government, a Minister or under-secretary of State, a diplomatic representative, a director of a ministry, or one of his subordinates, or the legal adviser to a foreign office, though they would be eligible for appointment as arbitrators to the Permanent Court of Arbitration of 1899, are certainly not eligible for appointment as judges upon our Court”*** .

22. Member States may wish to remind themselves of the need to ensure adequate gender representation in their nominations as well as the critical importance of enhancing the independence and operational integrity of the ACHPR in the spirit of the Grand Bay Declaration of 1999 and the Kigali Declaration of 8 May 2003. Presently, the ACHPR is still grappling with the issue of independence and compatibility of some of its members.

23. The Commission wishes to draw the attention of the Executive Council to the latter's decision during elections for the Advisory Board on Corruption held in January 2009, that each region should be represented by at least one member if candidates exist from the AU regions. It should be noted that in the current membership of the

ACHPR, there are no members from the Northern Region and the Central Region. From the four candidatures submitted, there are two candidates each from the eastern Region and the Northern Region.

**VII. CANDIDATURES RECEIVED**

24. The Commission received the following candidatures from Member States to fill in the three (3) available vacancies, for a term of six (6) years:

	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Country</u></b>	<b><u>Region</u></b>
1.	Mr. Mohammed Fayek	Egypt	North
2.	Ms. Zainabo Kayitesi	Rwanda	East
3.	Mr. Mohamed Béchir Khalfallah	Tunisia	North
4.	Mr. Ahmed Mohamed Omer El Mofti	Sudan	East

**ANNEXES: List of Candidates and Curriculum Vitae**

**CANDIDATURES FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE AFRICAN COMMISSION  
ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Country</b>	<b>Region</b>
1.	Mr. Ahmed Mohamed Omer EL MUFTI	Male	Sudan	East
2.	Mr. Mohammed FAYEK	Male	Egypt	North
3.	Ms. Zainabo KAYITESI	Female	Rwanda	East
4.	Mr. Mohamed Béchir KHALFALLAH	Male	Tunisia	North



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**CURRICULUM VITAE OF CANDIDATES**

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**Annex I**

**1. AHMED MOHAMED OMER EL MUFTI**

Date 18 April 2009:

1. **Name: Ahmed Mohamed Omer El Mufti (Dr. Ahmed El Mufti)**
2. **Data and place of birth:** 01.01. 1949, Sudan.
3. **Qualifications:**
  - 3.1 Training Course in Good Governance in the Centre for European Constitutional Law (CECL), Athens, Greece June - July 2008;
  - 3.2 Training Course in Good Governance (Transparency in citizen-state relationship and public sector staffing), in the Centre for European Constitutional Law (CECL), Athens, Greece, January 2008;
  - 3.3 Training Course in Good Governance, the Centre for European Constitutional Law (CECL), Athens, Greece, May 2006;
  - 3.4 Training Course in Good Governance, the Centre for European Constitutional Law (CECL), Athens, Greece, July 2006;
  - 3.5 Certificate in human rights, the Danish Centre for Human Rights, Copenhagen, Denmark, March 2000;
  - 3.6 Diploma, from the United Nations Centre for Human Rights, Geneva and the International Training Centre of the ILO, Turin- Italy 1994;
  - 3.7 PH.D. (Law), University of Khartoum 1990;
  - 3.8 Certificate in Computer and Law, Kuwait 1989;
  - 3.9 Certificate in International Equipment Leasing, from International Development Law Institute (IDLI), Rome-Italy 1984;
  - 3.10 Certificate in Petroleum Agreements Negotiations, International Development Law institute (IDLI), Rome-Italy 1983;
  - 3.11 LLM-Master Degree (Law), Indiana University, USA 1982;
  - 3.12 Certificate in Law and Technology, Indiana University, USA 1981;
  - 3.13 Certificate in Law and Environment, Indiana University, USA 1981;
  - 3.14 Certificate in International Law, Legislative and Treaty Drafting, London 1978, Overseas Development Ministry (ODM);
  - 3.15 The Legal Profession Examination Certificate 1973;
  - 3.16 LLB (honours), University of Khartoum 1973.
4. **Experience:**  
**First General Legal experience:**
  - 4.1 He has been nominated as Co-arbitrator by the court of International Chamber of Commerce in Paris in a dispute between Serbian Company

and both the Ministry of Defense and the Ministry of Interior of the Republic of Sudan in 2009;

4.2 Undersecretary, Ministry of Justice, 2000 - January 2002,

**Second Human Rights:**

- 4.3 Started as of October 2008 the preparation of Training Manual in the Field of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law for Law Enforcement Officers.
- 4.4 Attended many of the annual conferences of the International Labour Organization (ILO) in Geneva including the 97<sup>th</sup> Session of May - June 2008.
- 4.5 Participated in the activities of Geneva Institute for Human Rights (GIHR) by giving a lecture in Geneva on "The Role of NGOs" on 12 June 2008.
- 4.6 Founder and President of Khartoum International Centre for Human Rights (KICHR) in 2002, which membership has increased to more than 51,000 members with more than 200 branches all over the Sudan. The average of the current daily increase in membership is about 50 members.
- 4.7 Member of the Board of Directors of the Global Health Foundation as of 2002.
- 4.8 Former Undersecretary, Ministry of Justice 2000 - 2002.
- 4.9 Member of Sudan Advisory Council of Human Rights as of 2002.
- 4.10 Chairman of the Committee for the Eradication of Abduction of Women and Children (CEAWC) as of 1999. CEAWC was able up to date to trace and document 14,000 abductees and reunify 6000 of them with their families. This is being done in compliance with the Resolution of the UN Commission on Human Rights dated April 1999 on the situation of human rights in the Sudan.
- 4.11 Member of the Permanent Commission for the Protection of Freedom of Journalists at the Federation of Arab Journalists in Cairo, 2000.
- 4.12 Member of the Sudanese Inter-Religious Dialogue Association (SIRDA), as of November 1999.
- 4.13 Former Rapporteur of the Coordination Committee and the Advisory Council for Human Rights, Sudan 1992 - 2000.
- 4.14 Solicitor General for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law (Sudan) 1998- 2000.
- 4.15 Member of the Sudan delegation to the annual sessions of the UN Commission on Human Rights 1993-2002.
- 4.16 Member of the Sudan delegation to the UN General Assembly 1993-2001.

- 4.17 Member of the Sudan delegation to the annual sessions of the Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, Geneva 1993- 1997.
- 4.18 Member of the Sudan delegation to the World Conference on Human Rights in Vienna 1993 and its preparatory meetings.
- 4.19 Member of the Sudan delegation to the World Conference against Racism in South Africa.
- 4.20 Member of the Sudan delegation to the Child Conference in Weinberg, Canada.
- 4.21 Have extensive experience in preparing and discussing reports before the UN Treaty Bodies, in particular reports under the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination and the Convention on the Rights of the Child.
- 4.22 Head of the Sudan delegation accompanying all the Rapporteurs of the Commission on Human Rights who have visited the Sudan 1992-2000.
- 4.23 Member of the Sudan delegation to many regional human rights activities under the auspices of the African Commission or the Organization of the Islamic Countries.
- 4.24 External examiner for many postgraduate degrees in human rights (Master degree + PHD).
- 4.25 Key speaker in many human rights functions undertaken by national and international institutions and NGOs such as the Training and Legal Reform Institute, the Judiciary, the Bar Association, the High Military Academy, UNICEF, Red Cross (ICRC), the OHCHR in Khartoum, Civic Aid International Organization (CAIO) and Typa Press.
- 4.26 Instructor in the technical assistance programme of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) in Khartoum.
- 4.27 Certificate of Appreciation from Vereninging Humanitaire Projektion (International NGO) for participating in teaching and organizing the course entitled "International Human Rights Law for Lawyers and Judges". 1998.
- 4.28 Chairman of the Legal Experts Committee of the IGAD, which has undertaken the restructuring of the IGAD.
- 4.29 A promoter of the World Council of Religious Leaders which is a direct outcome of THE MILLENNIUM WORLD PEACE SUMMIT, Bangkok, Thailand.

**5. Published Works:**

- 5.1 El Mufti, Ahmed: "International Legal Framework for Human Rights Law", the Justice Journal published by Sudan Ministry of Justice, Second year, Third Issue.

- 5.2 El Mufti, Ahmed, "Background Information About Human Rights", published by the Training and Legal Reform Institute, copy right 54/2001 (in English).
- 5.3 El Mufti, Ahmed, "The International Standards and Measures for the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women", published by the Training and Legal Reform Institute, copy right 57/2001(in English).
- 5.4 El Multi, Ahmed, "Initiative for Constructive Interaction Between International Human Rights Standards and Religions", published by the Training and Legal Reform Institute, copyright 56/2001 (in English).
- 5.5 El Mufti, Ahmed (Dr.), " Basic International Human Rights Instruments", published by KICHR, July 2002.
- 5.6 El Mufti, Ahmed (Dr.), " Guidelines on the Form and Contents of Reports to be Submitted by States Parties to the International Human Rights Treaties", published by KICHR, August 2002.
- 5.7 El Mufti, Ahmed (Dr.),"General Comments and General Recommendations Adopted by Human Rights Treaty Bodies ", published by KICHR, October 2002.
- 5.8 El Mufti, Ahmed (Dr.),- "Basic Reference for Child rights", published by KICHR, October 2002.
- 5.9 El Mufti, Ahmed (Dr.), "Basic Reference for Civil and Political Rights", published by KICHR, November 2002.
- 5.10 El Mufti, Ahmed (Dr.), " Basic Reference for Women Rights", published by KICHR, November 2002.
- 5.11 El Multi, Ahmed (Dr.), "The International Norms and Practices for the Establishment of National Institutions for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights", Published in the Training and Law Reform Institute Magazine (AL-Gistas) 2001.
- 5.12 El Mufti, Ahmed (Dr.), "SUMMARY OF OHCHR PROFESSIONAL TRAINING SERIES NO. 7 AND FACT SHEET NO.7", published by KICHR 2004.

## **6. Social Status:**

Married since 1982 and have 6 boys and two girls.

## **7. Address:**

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## **2. MR. MOHAMMED FAYEK**

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

**Name:** Mohammed Fayek

### **Present positions**

1. Member of the National Council for human rights in Egypt;
2. Member of the board of trustees of the Arab Organization for Human Rights (AOHR), a non-governmental organization which defends human rights in the Arab World with consultative status to the United Nations' Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), and a headquarters agreement with the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt;
3. Vice-President of the Egyptian Committee for the Afro-Asian Solidarity;
4. Member of the Several Egyptian, African, Arab and international NGOs;
5. General Director and owner of "Dar El-Mustaqbal El-Arabi" (a publishing house).

### **Previous Positions**

1. Member of the UN Commission of inquiry for Darfur 2004-2005 (Under-Secretary General of the UN);
2. Secretary General of the Arab Organizations for Human Rights from 1986-2008 (Founder with others);
3. Minister of information;
4. Minister of State for Foreign Affairs;
5. Minister of National Guidance;
6. Chief of Cabinet and Advisor to the President for African and Asian Affairs;
7. Elected member of the Egyptian Parliament for two consecutive terms for "Kasr El-Nil" Constituency/Cairo.



**Responsibilities**

1. Head of the Egyptian to the Summit Meetings of the Organization of African Unity (conference of heads of states) for three sessions;
2. Representative of Egypt to the fourth Committee of the United Nations' General Assembly from 1961 to 1965;
3. Close assistant to the African Liberation movements in the struggle for the independence of African states from 1953 to 1971;
4. Founding member of the Afro-Asian Peoples Solidarity Movement;
5. Egyptian representative to different international conferences and Special representative of the Head of State, with special mission, to Arab and African States.

**Publications**

Several published research papers on Africa and Human Rights issues. Among his most important works is the book on Abdel-Naser and the African Revolution.

### **3. MS. ZAINABO KAYITESI**

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### A. IDENTIFICATION

Name: **KAYITESI ZAINABO**

Surname: **Sylvie**

Nationality: Rwandese

Marital Status: Married with 4 children

Date of Birth: 27 May 1962

Place of Birth: Rwamagana – Eastern Province

Place of Residence: REMERA KIGALI CITY

### B. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

- Bachelor Diploma in Law obtained at Rwanda National University;
- Bachelor Degree in Law obtained at Rwanda national University, Rwanda.

### C. LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

**French:** Working Language

**English:** Good

**Swahili:** Good

### D. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### I. At the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights,

- ❖ **Commissioner** within the African Commission on Human and People's Rights from November 2007 to July 2009;
- ❖ **Chairperson** of Working group on death penalty;
- ❖ **Member** of the Working group on specifics issues from the Commission;
- ❖ **Member** of the Committee on Budget and Staff issues of the Commission.

## II. In National Institutions for human rights

- ❖ **Chairperson** of Rwanda National Commission for Human Rights, since January 2003 to date (with a new 4 year term since February 2009);
- ❖ In quality of the Chairperson of the National Commission for Human Rights.

### At International Level

- ❖ **Member** of the Bureau of the International Coordinating Committee (ICC) for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights (From Oct. 2007 to Oct. 2009).

### At Regional Level

- ❖ **Chairperson** of the Network of African National Human Rights Institutions (From Oct.2007 to Oct. 2009) and Vice-Chairperson since Oct. 2005 to Oct.2007).

### At National Level

- ❖ **Member** of the Supreme Council of the Judiciary (From 2004 to date);
- ❖ **Member** of the supreme Council of the Prosecution (From 2004 to date).

## III. Within the Cabinet/Government

- ❖ **Minister** for Public Service and Labour, from March 2000 to November 2002;
- ❖ **Minister of State** within the Ministry of Land, Resettlement and Environment Protection, from February 1999 to February 2000.

## IV. Within the United Nations Systems

**Associate Protection Officer** within the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (National Officer), from October 1996 to February 1999.

## V. Senior Technician

- ❖ **Women's Rights Coordinator** within the Legal Review Project of the Ministry of Gender, Women Protection and Social Affairs;
- ❖ **Chief a.i. of Legal and Social Protection Division**, within the same Ministry; from March 1996 to October 1996;
- ❖ Consultant in Training on Human Rights, within the "Association for the Protection and Promotion of Women and Children's Rights (HAGURUKA)", from September 1995 to March 1996;
- ❖ Legal Senior officer and Advocate of PETRORWANDA Company Ltd; and

- ❖ Chief of Legal and Litigation Service of the Company abovementioned, from March 1994 to July 1995;
- ❖ Human Resources Manager within P.D.A.G. (Agricultural Development Project of Gikongoro), From Nov. 1992 to February 1994;
- ❖ Chief of Administrative and Judicial Police Division and Legal Advisor within the Kigali City Council, from July 1991 to August 1992;
- ❖ Legal Advisor within the Rwanda Central Labour Trade-Union (CESTRAR), from July 1989 to June 1991.

#### **VI. Other experiences**

- ❖ Activist for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights;
- ❖ Chairperson of the Association for the Protection and Promotion of Women and Children's Rights (Haguruka), from January 1996 to July 1999; at the same time, Vice-President of the League of Organizations for Women Promotion during one and a half year;
- ❖ Advisor of the same Association, from July 1999 to 2001; then after Member of the Council of the Wise of the same Association to date.

#### **VII. Participation in Conferences**

Participation in different International Forums and Conferences in quality of Chief of delegation or participant, delivered speeches and presentations essentially relating to human rights issues and these were at the moment organized by OAU, ILO, IBL, OHCHR, HCR, AU, ACHPR.

#### **VIII. Publications**

- The thesis at the end of the university studies;
- Contributing in the preparations of the reports on the situation of human rights in the country published annually by the Rwanda National Commission for Human Rights as well as in drafting different thematic reports and papers on human rights issues.

April 2009

KAYITESI Zainabo Sylvie

**4. MR. MOHAMED BÉCHIR KHALFALLAH**

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

### **Bio data**

- Surname: **KHALFALLAH**
- Name: Mohamed Bechir
- Date and Place of Birth: 1<sup>st</sup> September 1935 at Gafsa (Tunisia)
- Nationality: Tunisian
- Civil Status: Married without issue
- Home address: 1 Rue de Kirovakan 92220 Bagneux (France)
- Tel/Fax: 00 331 47 35 22 22
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### **Studies – Diplomas**

- 1972 -1973: Holder of the diploma of Technician in the organization and management of enterprises (IFOCOP-ESSEC).
- 1967-1969: Holder of the diploma from the School of Management and Administration of Enterprises (Director Mr. RUEFF-Boulevard Saint Germain, PARIS).
- 1961- 1962: Certificate of Political Studies – Faculty of Political Science, PARIS.
- 1961-1962: Holder of the certificate from the Labour Social Sciences Institute, PARIS.
- 1960-1963: Holder of the diploma from the Institute of Rural Law and Agricultural Economics, PARIS: Thesis: “The Cooperative Movement in Tunisia”.

**Civil Society Experience:**

- Secretary General in 1994 then President in 1996 of the African League of Human and Peoples' Rights, an NGO that was set up in March 1987 and which acquired observer status at the ACHPR in 1997;
- Participation, since 1997, in almost all the sessions of the ACHPR as President of the African League of Human and Peoples' Rights;
- Participation in international and regional conferences and meetings (World Social Summit in Copenhagen, Euro –Mediterranean Conference of Barcelona, First African Conference on Human Rights [Mauritius 1996], NGO Forum in preparation for the Europe-Africa meeting[Cairo 2000]);
- 1994 - Co-founder of the Organization of Arab and African Communities in Europe (19 associations representing 19 nationalities from the African continent)and Secretary General of the said Organization;
- 1994 - Co-organizer of the first meeting of the North African community in Europe (300 delegates) under the patronage and in the presence of the International Confederation of Arab Unions);
- 1993 – Co-founder of the Council of the North African Community in Europe (Algerians, Moroccans, Mauritians and Tunisians) of which he is the Secretary General;
- 1992 - Co-organizer of the first meeting of Arab and African Communities in Europe (19 associations representing 19 nationalities from the African continent) under the aegis of the Organization of African Trade Union Unity;
- 1989 - Assistant to the Secretary General of the Association of Tunisians in France, in charge of external relations;
- 1964 - Co-founder and first director of the Club of Tunisians in France;
- Militant of the General Union of Tunisian Students (UGET): member of the regional committee of Tunisia and treasurer of the committee of the European Federation.

**Professional Experience:**

- 1974-1990: Director of an Office of Economic Engineering (with focus on America);
- 1965-1973: Teacher.



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