

Chapter Four
Fourth Annual Activity Report of the
African Commission
1990-1991

I ORGANISATION OF WORK

A. Period covered by the report

The third annual activity report was adopted by the twenty-sixth session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the OAU by its resolution AHG/Res. 198 (XXVI). The present report relates to the activities of the eighth and ninth ordinary sessions held in (Banjul) from 8-21 October, 1990 and (Lagos) from 18-25 March 1991 respectively.

B. Status of ratification

2. The list of States that have ratified and adhered to the African Charter is attached to this Volume as Appendix III.

C. Session and Agenda

3. The Commission has held two ordinary sessions since its Third Annual Activity Report was adopted.
 - The Eighth ordinary session was held in Banjul, The Gambia from 8 to 21 October, 1990
 - The Ninth ordinary session was held in Lagos, Nigeria from 18 to 25 March, 1991.

The agendas of all these sessions are attached to this report as Annexes I and II respectively.

D. Composition and Participation

4. The composition of the African Commission on has not changed. The list of members of the Commission is attached to this report as Annex III.
5. Attendance at sessions has been as follows:

At the eighth ordinary session, nine commissioners attended. They were: Messrs Alione Blondin Beye, Ali M Buhedma, Alexis Gabou, Ibrahim Badawi EL-Sheikh, Robert H Kisanga, CLC Mubanga Chipoya, Moleleki D Mokama, Youssoupha Ndiaye, UO Umozurike.

Two commissioners were absent with apologies namely: Messrs Sourahata B Semega Janneh and Isaac Nguema.

At the ninth ordinary session, six commissioners attended: Messra M Buhedma, Ibrahim Badawi EL-Sheikh, Robert H Kisanga, CLC Mubanga Chipoya, UO Umozurike, Isaac Nguema. Five commissioners were absent with apologies: Messrs Alione Blondin Beye, Ali Buhedma, Alexis Gabou, Moleleki Mokama and Yousoupha Ndiaye.

E. Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Commission

6. Messrs UO Umozurike and Alexis Gabou continued as Chairman and Vice Chairman respectively.

F. Consideration of the Annual Activity Report

7. On 25 March 1991, the Commission considered this fourth Activity report.

II. ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION IN GENERAL

A. Promotional Activities

(a) Seminars

8. In keeping with the Programme of Action, members of the Commission attended seminars in Africa and Europe.

(b) Publications

9. At present, the Commission is preparing to launch the first edition of its own publication "The African Review on Human and Peoples' Rights".

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10. In pursuance to Rules 76 and 77 of its Rules of Procedures, the Commission has granted certain non-governmental organisations observer status.
11. The NGOs which have so far been granted observer status are in the list attached to this Volume as Appendix VI.

(d) Periodic reports

12. The Commission considered at its ninth session the periodic reports of the following countries: The Great Socialist Peoples' Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Tunisia and Rwanda. These documents are available at the Secretariat of the Commission.

III. CONSIDERATION OF COMMUNICATIONS

B. Protective activities

13. At its eighth and ninth sessions, the Commission considered 16 communications directed against States Parties to the Charter 16 of which were new.

IV. NEXT SESSIONS

14. The Commission decided to convene its Tenth ordinary session from 7-14 October 1991. At the same time, the Commission requested the Chairman to explore the possibility of convening the 10th session in the Southern part of Africa.

ANNEXES

ANNEX I

Agenda of the eighth ordinary session 8th-21st October 1990 (Banjul, The Gambia)

1. Opening ceremony
2. Adoption of the Agenda
3. Organisation of work
 - a) Appointment of rapporteur
 - b) Working hours: Morning 10:00 to 13:00 hrs.
Afternoon 16:00 to 19:00 hrs.
4. Measures taken for the implementation of the recommendations and decisions of the 7th session:
 - a) Report of the Chairman
 - b) Report of the Secretary
5. Consideration of the Annual Report of the Commission by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government.
6. Report on the Activities of the OAU relevant to the Commission:
 - a) Refugees
 - b) Cultural activities
 - c) economic activities
7. Intersession Activity Reports of members of the Commission
8. Consideration of Periodic Reports
9. Activities of the Commission:
 - a) protective activities
 - b) promotional activities
 - c) report of consultants on programme of activities
10. OUA Convention on Privileges and Immunities: Privileges and immunities of the members of the Commission
11. Observers
12. Consideration of Rules of Procedures
13. Any other Business
14. Date, Venue and agenda of the 9th session
15. Adoption of the report
16. Final Communiqué
17. Closing Ceremony

ANNEX II

Agenda of the ninth ordinary session 18th-25th March 1991 (Lagos, Nigeria)

1. Opening Session
2. Adoption of the Agenda
3. Organisation of work
 - a) Appointment of rapporteur
 - b) Working hours
4. Adoption of the report of the 8th session
5. Matters arising from last session
 - a) Report of the Chairman
 - b) Report of the Secretary
 - c) Reports of members of the Commission
- 6 Report of the Activities of the OAU relevant to the Commission:
7. Observers
8. Draft Annual Budget
9. Consideration of Rules of Procedure
10. Activities of the Commission:
 - a) Protective activities
 - b) promotional activities
11. Consideration of National periodic reports
12. Report of consultants on the Programme of activities
13. Any other Business
14. Date, Venue and agenda of the 10th session
15. Adoption of the report of the proceedings
16. Adoption of the Annual report
17. Final Communiqué
18. Closing Ceremony

ANNEX III

List of members of the Commission

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| 1. | Prof. U. Oji Umozurike | Chairman |
| 2. | Alexis Gabou | Vice - Chairman |
| 3. | Alione Blondin Beye | Member |
| 4. | Ali Mahmoud Buhedma | ” |
| 5. | Dr. Ibrahim Ali Badawi El Sheikh | ” |
| 6. | Sourahata Baboucar Semega Janneh | ” |
| 7. | Justice Robert Habesh Kisanga | ” |
| 8. | Moleleki D Mokama | ” |
| 9. | C.L.C. Mubanga Chipoya | ” |
| 10. | Yousoupha Ndiaye | ” |
| 11. | Isaac Nguema | ” |

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Secrétaire de la Commission

Ngabishema Mutsinzi

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