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**The General Secretariat of the of the Organization of African Unity presents its compliments to the Ministries of Foreign/External Affairs of all Member States and has the honour to inform them that the Government of the Republic of Zimbabwe has decided to present the candidature Mrs ANTONIA GUVAVA for election as one of the members of the African Commission on Human and People's Rights which will be filled during the forthcoming 33rd Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government.**

**Attached hereto is copy of the note addressed to the General Secretariat by the Embassy of the Republic of Zimbabwe in Ethiopia together with the curriculum vitae of Mrs ANTONIA GUVAVA.**

**The General Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministries of Foreign/External Affairs of all Member States of the assurances of its highest consideration.**

**Addis Ababa, 25 May, 1997**

**TO: The Ministries of Foreign/External  
Affairs of All OAU Member States**

**ZIMBABWE**

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Zimbabwe presents its compliments to the Organization of African Unity and has the honour to present Mrs. A.GUVAVA for one of the posts at the African Commission on Human and People's Rights which fall vacant on 30 June 1997.

The curriculum Vitae of the above-mentioned candidate is attached.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Zimbabwe avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the General Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

HAHARE  
30 May 1997

**CURRICULUM VITAE**

**Biographical Details:**

**Surname : GUVAVA (nee Chidyausiku)**

**First name : Antonia**

**Date of Birth :7 July 1960**

**Place of Birth :Gweruy, Zimbabwe**

**Sex :Female**

**Religion :Roman Catholic**

**Marital Status :Divorcee**

**Nationality :Zimbabwean**

**Department :Legal Advice**

**Date of appointment 13 April 1983**

**Present Post :Chief Law Officer**

**Business Address :Ministry of Justice, Legal and Parliamentary Affairs, P.bag  
7714, Causeway, Harare.**

**Telephone Number: 263 (4) 774600  
Fax: 263 (4) 772999**

**Residential Address:44 Odzi Flats, Eastlea Harare.**

**EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:**

## Secondary Education

<u>Schools Attended</u>	Dates
<u>`O' Levels</u>	
St. Dominic's Secondary (Harare)	1973 - 1976
<u>`A'Levels, St Ignatius College (Harare)</u>	1997-1978

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## TERTIARY EDUCATION

### University of Zimbabwe:

Bachelor of Law Degree	1979 - 1982
Bachelor of Laws Degree	1985

## OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

1. Bureau of Parliamentary Studies and Training (New Delhi, India):  
Certificate in Legislative Drafting November 1992 to February 1993
2. United Nations Institute for Training and Research (Harare)  
-Certificate in Legal Aspects of Debt Management - 6 to 9 July, 1993
3. The International Committee of the Red Cross (Harare)  
- Regional Seminar for the Implementation of International Humanitarian Law 31 January to 4 February, 1994
4. The Roal Wallenberg Foundation (Harare)

- **Regional Seminar on the Obligations of States Parties to the African Charter on Human and People Rights with Special reference to reporting obligations** **23 to 27 August, 1993**

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- 5. **International Visitor Program:  
Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs (USA):**  
  
**Certificate of participation in Program on ethics in Government and Business** **14 November to  
14 December 1994**
  
- 6. **Commonwealth Secretariat: Human Rights Unit (Zambia):**  
  
**Certificate of participation in Commonwealth Regional workshop for officials in charge of reporting obligations** **17 to 21 July, 1995**
  
- 7. **International law Institute (USA):**  
  
**Legal Aspects of Privatization** **29 April to 10 May  
1996**

**EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE:**

**April 1983: Joined the Ministry of Justice, Legal and Parliamentary Affairs as a Public prosecutor Grade II and was based at Kadoma. Duties involved prosecuting minor criminal offenses, and directing police officers in conducting their investigations.**

**1984: Transferred to Harare Magistrates Court. Worked as a Prosecutor in the Provincial Courts.**

**1985-1986: Advanced to Public Prosecutor Grade I and started prosecuting in the regional Court. Involved the prosecuting of more serious cases of fraud, rape and involved some administrative duties.**

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**December 1986: Transferred to Masvingo Magistrates Court as Prosecutor in-charge. Continued to prosecute in the Regional Court. Duties were prosecuting serious cases, administrating of the local court and 6 circuit courts, training police officers in court procedure and training new prosecutors.**

**1987: Was made Provincial Public Prosecutor of Masvingo province and advanced to Senior Law officer Grade.**

**1988: Started prosecuting in the High Court, dealing with murder cases and continued prosecuting in the Regional Court and did administrative work.**

**December 1989: Transferred to the Head office of the Attorney-General's Office, Harare, continued to prosecute in the High Court and also dealt with appeals in the High Court and Supreme Court.**

**January 1990: Advanced to the Grade of Principal Law Officer.**

**August 1991 Promoted to the post of Chief Law Officer.**

**February 1992: Moved to the Legal Advice Department of the Attorney-General's Office. Duties involved giving legal advice to all government departments, checking international agreements, scrutinizing and approving**

minutes to the President and supervising junior officers. Also a member of the Interministerial Committee on Human rights whose functions are to advise government on its obligations on Human Rights conventions, prepare and present such reports to the UN Committees or to the African Commission.

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**OTHER EXPERIENCE:**

1. Ex-member of Board of Trustees: Zimbabwe Women's Finance Trust.
- 2.Ex-member of Administrative Committee: Young Women's Christian Association, Harare.
- 3.Member of Parents Teachers Association : St. Ignatius College, Harare.
- 4.Member of School of Management Board: St Dominic's Secondary, Harare.
5. Member of the Inter-Ministerial Committee on Human Rights.
- 6.Member of the Working Party on commercialization and privatization of State owned Enterprises.
- 7.Member of Zimbabwe Women Lawyers Association.
- 8.Resource Person: M.R.M. Consultants: 4 April, 1997 (Zimbabwe)
  - (1) Preparation and effect of wills.
  - (2)Intestate Succession in Zimbabwe.
  - (3)Trusts.
- 9.Presented Zimbabwe's 2nd and 3rd report before the African

**Commission on Human and Peoples Rights at its 21st Ordinary  
Session: 15 - 21 April, 1997 (Mauritania).**

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**NAME: MRS. ANTONIA GUVAVA**

**COUNTRY: ZIMBABWE**



1997

Presentation of the candidature of Mrs  
Antonia Guvava for election as one of  
the members of the African  
Commission on Human and Peoples'  
Rights filled during the 33rd Session of  
the Assembly of Heads of State and Government

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