## DECISION ON THE TWENTY NINTH, THIRTIETH AND THIRTY FIRST ACTIVITY REPORTS OF THE AFRICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS Doc. EX.CL/717(XX)

## The Executive Council;

- **1. TAKES NOTE** of the Twenty-ninth (29<sup>th</sup>), Thirtieth (30<sup>th</sup>) and Thirty-first (31<sup>st</sup>) Activity Reports of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights (ACHPR) and the recommendations contained therein as well as their annexes;
- 2. ALSO TAKES NOTE of the activities undertaken by ACHPR from May 2009 to December 2011;
- 3. **FURTHER TAKES NOTE** of the observations of members of the Permanent Representatives' Committee (PRC) on the said Report;
- 4. REQUESTS ACHPR to continue to work closely with the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights (AfCHPR) and the African Union (AU) Commission for the effective promotion of human rights in the Continent;
- FURTHER REQUESTS the ACHPR to carry out the necessary consultations with the Member States concerned regarding allegations of human rights violations, thus enabling it to present a balanced report to the AU Policy Organs;
- REQUESTS the ACHPR to submit all financial and administrative issues to the PRC, through its Sub-Committee on Structures and the Sub-Committee on Administrative, Financial and Budgetary Matters in order to enable the AU Policy Organs to allocate adequate human, material and financial resources to the ACHPR;
- 7. **EXPRESSES** its gratitude to the Government of the Republic of The Gambia for kindly hosting ACHPR for the past twenty (25) years, and **URGES** it to provide a permanent Headquarters for ACHPR, in conformity with the Criteria for Hosting AU Organs adopted in Sirte, Libya, in July 2005;
- 8. REITERATES Decision EX.CL/Dec.639 (XVIII) of the Executive Council of January 2011 calling on ACHPR to include in its activity reports, the status of human rights in the Continent;
- 9. **COMMENDS** Member States that have submitted their report and **URGES** those that have not yet done so to comply with the obligations set out in Article 62 of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights;
- 10. REQUESTS ACHPR to carry out a mission to the occupied territory of the Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic (SADR) with a view to investigating human rights violations and to report to the next Ordinary Session of the Executive Council in January 2013;

**11. ADOPTS** and **AUTHORIZES** the publication of the Twenty-ninth (29<sup>th</sup>), Thirtieth (30<sup>th</sup>) and Thirty-first (31<sup>st</sup>) Activity Reports of ACHPR and their annexes, pursuant to Article 59 of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights.



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