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**87th ORDINARY SESSION
OF THE
AFRICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS**

**Banjul, The Gambia
11 to 20 May 2026**

Public Session Agenda

DAY 1: MONDAY, 11 MAY 2026

Item 1: Opening Ceremony (*Public Session*)

09:00 - 11:00 Opening Ceremony of the 87th Ordinary Session (*Public Session*)

11:00 - 12:00 **OFFICIAL PICTURES & TEA/COFFEE BREAK**

Item 2: Commemorative Event (*Public session*)

12:00 - 13:30 Celebration of the 45th Anniversary of the Adoption of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights

13:30 - 14:30 **LUNCH BREAK**

Item 3: Relationship and cooperation with National Human Rights Institutions and Non-Governmental Organizations

14:30 - 15:00

- a) Paper on the relationship and cooperation between the ACHPR and NHRIs
- b) Paper on the relationship and cooperation between the ACHPR and NGOs

Item 4: Situation of Human Rights in Africa

15:00 - 16:30

- (i) Key Outcomes of the Forums of National Human Rights Institutions, Non-Governmental Organisations (*7 mins each*)

- (ii) Statements on Human Rights Situation in Africa
 - a) Statements by State Delegates (7 mins)
 - b) Statement by African Union Organs with a Human Rights Mandate (7 mins)
 - c) Statements by Intergovernmental and International Organizations (7 mins)
 - d) Statements by National Human Rights Institutions (5 mins)
 - e) Statements by Non-Governmental Organisations (5 mins)

Item 5: Panel Discussions

16:30 - 17:30 Panel on Commitment to Compliance: Lifting Reservations to Realise the Full Promise of the Maputo Protocol & Launch of the Framework on Lifting Reservations of some Provisions of the Maputo Protocol (*Commissioner Sallah-Njie/Irene*)

END OF DAY 1

DAY 2: TUESDAY 12 MAY 2026

Item 5 cont'd: Panel Discussions

09:00 - 10:00 Joint Panel on the ACHPR and UN Independent Fact-Finding Missions on Sudan (*Commissioner Hatem/Sakr*)

Item 4 cont'd: Human Rights Situation in Africa

10:00 - 11:00 Human Rights Situation in Africa

11:00 - 11:30 *TEA/COFFEE BREAK*

Item 5 cont'd: Panel Discussions

11:30 - 12:30 Panel on the AU Theme of the Year 2026: Assuring Sustainable Water Availability and Safe Sanitation Systems in Africa (*Commissioner Mwandenga/Aminata*)

Item 4 cont'd: Human Rights Situation in Africa

12:30 - 13:30 Human Rights Situation in Africa

13:30 - 14:30 *LUNCH BREAK*

Item 6: Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms

Presentation (15mins), Interventions: States (5 mins), NGOs & NHRIs (3 mins)

14:30 – 17:30 Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms

- (i) Chairperson of the ACHPR on activities of the Chairperson & Chairperson of the Working Group on Death Penalty and Extrajudicial, Summary or Arbitrary Killings and Enforced Disappearances in Africa.
- (ii) Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Women in Africa.
- (iii) Special Rapporteur on Prisons, Conditions of Detention and Policing in Africa.
- (iv) Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Expression and Access to Information in Africa.
- (v) Special Rapporteur on Refugees, Asylum Seekers, Internally Displaced Persons and Migrants in Africa.
- (vi) Special Rapporteur on Human Rights Defenders and Reprisals in Africa.
- (vii) Chairperson of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of People Living with HIV and those at Risk, Vulnerable to and Affected by HIV.
- (viii) Chairperson of the Working Group on the Rights of Older Persons and People with Disabilities in Africa.
- (ix) Chairperson of the Committee for the Prevention of Torture in Africa.
- (x) Chairperson of the Working Group on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in Africa.
- (xi) Chairperson of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations/Communities in Africa.
- (xii) Chairperson of the Working Group on Extractive Industries, Environment and Human Rights Violations in Africa.
- (xiii) Chairperson of the Working Group on Communications.

END OF DAY 2

DAY 3: WEDNESDAY, 13 MAY 2026

Item 4 cont'd: **Human Rights Situation in Africa**

09:00 – 11:00 Human Rights Situation in Africa

11:00 – 11:30 **TEA/COFFEE BREAK**

Item 5 cont'd: **Panel Discussions**

11:30 – 12:30 Panel on the Promotion and Protection of Persons belonging to National or Ethnic, Religious and Linguistic Minorities in Africa: A Recap(*Commissioner Litha/Francis*)

Item 5 cont'd: **Panel Discussions**

12:30 - 13:30 Panel on the African Declaration on the Promotion of the Role of Human Rights Defenders and their Protection in Africa (*Commissioner Lumbu/Anita*)

13:30 - 14:30 **LUNCH BREAK**

Item 6 cont'd: **Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms**
Presentation (15mins), Interventions: States (5 mins), NGOs & NHRIs (3 mins)

14:30 - 16:30 Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms

Item 4 cont'd: **Human Rights Situation in Africa**

16:30 - 17:30 Human Rights Situation in Africa

END OF DAY 3

DAY 4: THURSDAY, 14 MAY 2026

Item 4 cont'd: **Human Rights Situation in Africa**

09:00 - 11:00 Human Rights Situation in Africa

11:00 - 11:30 **TEA/COFFEE BREAK**

Item 6 cont'd: **Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms**
Presentation (15mins), Interventions: States (5 mins), NGOs & NHRIs (3 mins)

11:30 - 12:30 Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms

Item 5 cont'd: **Panel Discussions**

12:30 - 13:30 Panel on Article 59 of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights (*Commissioner Abomo/Pedro*)

13:30 - 14:30 **LUNCH BREAK**

Item 6 cont'd: **Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms**

Presentation (15mins), Interventions: States (5 mins), NGOs & NHRIs (3 mins)

14:30 – 16:30 Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms

Item 5 cont'd: Panel Discussions

16:30 – 17:30 Panel on Climate change-induced displacement in Africa: Protection Challenges and Prospects for an African Legal Framework (Commissioner Selma/Estelle)

END OF DAY 4

DAY 5: FRIDAY, 15 MAY 2026

Item 8: Status update on Ratification of Treaties, Implementation of Decisions/Recommendations & Submission of State Party Reports

09:00 – 10:00

- a) Presentation on the status of ratification of Treaties under ACHPR Monitoring
- b) Presentation of status of implementation of ACHPR Decisions/Recommendations
- c) Presentation on the status of submission of State Party Reports

Item 9: Consideration of State Reports

10:00 –11:00

State Report of the Republic of Mauritius

(Presentation & Questions)

- Welcome Remarks by the Chairperson (5 mins)
- State Presentation (1 Hr)
- Questions by Commissioner Rapporteur (10 mins)
- Questions by Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Women in Africa (SRRWA), on the Maputo Protocol (where applicable) (10 mins)
- Questions by Special Rapporteur on Refugees, Asylum Seekers, Internally Displaced Persons and Migrants (where applicable) (10 mins)
- Questions by other Special Mechanisms (7 mins)

11:00 – 11:30

TEA/COFFEE BREAK

Item 9 cont'd: Consideration of State Reports

11:30 – 13:30

State Report of the Republic of Mauritius

(Presentation & Questions) cont'd

13:30 – 14:30

LUNCH BREAK & PRAYERS

Item 10: Meeting of the Resolutions Committee (*Private session*)
14:30 – 17:30 Meeting of the Resolutions Committee

END OF DAY 5

DAY 6: SATURDAY, 16 MAY 2026

Item 9 cont'd: Consideration of State Reports

09:00 – 11:00 **State Report of the Republic of Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic**
(Presentation & Questions)

- Welcome Remarks by the Chairperson (5 mins)
- State Presentation (1 Hr)
- Questions by Commissioner Rapporteur (10 mins)
- Questions by Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Women in Africa (SRRWA), on the Maputo Protocol (where applicable) (10 mins)
- Questions by Special Rapporteur on Refugees, Asylum Seekers, Internally Displaced Persons and Migrants (where applicable) (10 mins)
- Questions by other Special Mechanisms (7 mins)

11:00 – 11:30 **TEA/COFFEE BREAK**

Item 9 cont'd: Consideration of State Reports

11:30 – 12:30 **State Report of the Republic of Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic**
(Presentation & Questions) cont'd

Item 4 cont'd: Human Rights Situation in Africa

12:30 – 13:30 Human Rights Situation in Africa

13:30 – 14:30 **LUNCH BREAK**

Item 5 cont'd: Panel Discussions

14:30 – 15:30 Panel on Sensitization of the Outcomes of the Study on Extractive Industries and Human and Peoples' Rights in Africa (*Commissioner Dersso/Amanda*)

Item 6 cont'd: Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms

Presentation (15mins), Interventions: States (5 mins), NGOs & NHRIs (3 mins)

15:30 - 16:00 Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms

Item 9 cont'd: Consideration of State Reports

16:00 - 17:30 Presentation of Responses - State Report of the **Republic of Mauritius**

END OF DAY 6

DAY 7: SUNDAY, 17 MAY 2026

13:30 - 14:30 *LUNCH BREAK*

Item 9 cont'd: Consideration of State Reports

14:30 - 16:00 Presentation of Responses - State Report of the Republic of Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic

Item 5 cont'd: Human Rights Situation in Africa

16:00 - 17:30 Human Rights Situation in Africa

END OF DAY 7

DAY 8: MONDAY, 18 MAY 2026

Item 9 cont'd: Consideration of State Reports

09:00 - 11:00 **State Report of the Republic of Kenya**

(Presentation & Questions)

- Welcome Remarks by the Chairperson (5 mins)
- State Presentation (1 Hr)
- Questions by Commissioner Rapporteur (10 mins)
- Questions by Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Women in Africa (SRRWA), on the Maputo Protocol (where applicable) (10 mins)
- Questions by Special Rapporteur on Refugees, Asylum Seekers, Internally Displaced Persons and Migrants (where applicable) (10 mins)
- Questions by other Special Mechanisms (7 mins)

11:00 - 11:30 *TEA/COFFEE BREAK*

Item 9 cont'd: Consideration of State Reports

11:30 – 12:30	State Report of the Republic of Kenya cont'd
<u>Item 5 cont'd:</u>	Human Rights Situation in Africa
12:30 – 13:30	Human Rights Situation in Africa
13:30 – 14:30	LUNCH BREAK
<u>Item 6 cont'd:</u>	Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms
	Presentation (15mins), Interventions: States (5 mins), NGOs & NHRIs (3 mins)
14:30 – 17:30	Activity Reports of the Members of the Commission & Special Mechanisms

END OF DAY 8

DAY 9: TUESDAY, 19 MAY 2026

<u>Item 9 cont'd:</u>	Consideration of State Reports
09:00 – 10:30	<u>Presentation of Responses</u> – State Report of the Republic of Kenya
<u>Item 4 cont'd:</u>	Human Rights Situation in Africa
10:30 – 11:00	Human Rights Situation in Africa
11:00 – 11:30	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
<u>Item 11:</u>	Consideration and adoption of documents (Private Session)
11:30 – 13:30	Consideration and adoption of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Resolutions (ii) Final Communique of the 87th Ordinary Session (iii) Other Documents
13:30 – 14:30	LUNCH BREAK
<u>Item 11 cont'd:</u>	Consideration and adoption of documents (Private Session)
14:30 – 17:30	Consideration and adoption of documents cont'd

END OF DAY 9

DAY 10: WEDNESDAY, 20 MAY 2026

Item 12: Closing Ceremony

10:00 -11:30 Closing Ceremony

- (i) Reading of the Final Communiqué of the 87th Ordinary Session
- (ii) Closing Ceremony

Item 13: Press Conference

11:30 - 12:00 Press Conference (Chairperson, Vice Chairperson & Commissioners)

END OF DAY 10

END OF THE 87th ORDINARY SESSION