

ACHPR/Res.9(XV)94: RESOLUTION ON SOUTH AFRICA

The African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights meeting at its Fifteenth Ordinary Session in Banjul, The Gambia, from 18 - 27 April, 1994;

Noting the violence that has taken place in South Africa and the loss of lives that has assumed alarming proportions;

Reiterating the importance of protecting human lives and creating a climate conducive to free and fair elections;

Welcoming the positive developments that have emerged towards a consensus for holding the forthcoming election:

1. URGES all parties concerned to cease the violence and create a peaceful atmosphere;
2. URGES the concerned parties in South Africa to take all necessary steps to create an atmosphere conducive for free and fair elections;
3. URGES all political parties and others concerned in South Africa to accept the results of the election if it is declared to be substantially free and fair by the Independent Electoral Commission;

URGES the new government to ratify the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights and to ensure the protection of the human rights of all South Africans in accordance with the said African Charter and other relevant treaties and standards.