***ACHPR/Res.206 (L) 11 :* RESOLUTION ON THE APPOINTMENT OF THE SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR ON PRISONS AND CONDITIONS OF**

**DETENTION IN AFRICA**

*The African Commission on Human and Peoples’ Rights (the African Commission) meeting at its 50th Ordinary Session held from 24th October to 5th November 2011, in Banjul, The Gambia;*

**Recalling** its mandate to promote human and peoples’ rights and ensure their protection in Africa under the African Charter on Human and Peoples’ Rights (the African Charter);

**Reaffirming** the importance of observing the objectives and principles of the African Charter for the promotion and protection of the human rights of all, including those of detainees and prisoners;

**Recalling** its decision taken at its 20th Ordinary Session held in Grand Bay, Mauritius in October 1996 to establish the office and to appoint a Special Rapporteur on Prisons and Conditions of Detention in Africa, as a prison monitoring mechanism;

**Recalling further** its decision taken at its 38th Ordinary Session held in Banjul, The Gambia in November/December 2005 to appoint Commissioner Mumba Malila as the Special Rapporteur on Prisons and Conditions of Detention in Africa;

**Bearing in mind** Resolution ACHPR/Res.126 (XXXXII) 07 on the Appointment of the Special Rapporteur on Prisons and Conditions of Detention in Africa adopted at the 42nd Ordinary Session held from 15 – 28 November 2007, in Brazzaville, the Republic of Congo;

**Considering** that the term of Commissioner Mumba Malila as the Special Rapporteur on Prisons and Conditions of Detention in Africa comes to an end on 5 December 2009;

**Considering** further Resolution ACHPR/Res156(XLVI)09, adopted during the 46th Ordinary Session held from 11 to 25 November 2011 appointing Commissioner Catherine Dupe Atoki Special Rapporteur of Prisons and Conditions of Detention in Africa;

**Noting** with appreciation the work Commissioners Mumba Malila and Catherine Dupe Atoki have done as Special Rapporteur on Prisons and Conditions of Detention in Africa;

**Considering** that the mandate of Commissioner Catherine Dupe Atoki has come to an end;

**DECIDES** to appoint Commissioner Med Kaggwa as the Special Rapporteur on Prisons and Conditions of Detention in Africa for a period of two years, effective 5 December 2011.

**Done in Banjul, The Gambia, 05 November 2011**