***ACHPR/Res.237 (LIII) 2013*: RESOLUTION APPOINTING EXPERTS MEMBERS FOR THE WORKING GROUP ON INDIGENOUS POPULATIONS/COMMUNITIES IN AFRICA**

*The African Commission on Human and Peoples’ Rights (the Commission) meeting at its 53rd Ordinary Session held from 9 to 23 April 2013, in Banjul, The Gambia;*

**Considering** 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);

**Recalling** that the Commission established a Working Group composed of nine members, amongst them, three Members of the Commission;

**Recalling** its Resolution *ACHPR/Res.65 (XXXIV) 03 on the Adoption of the “Report of the African Commission’s Working Group on Indigenous Populations/Communities”* adopted at its 34th Ordinary Session held in Banjul, The Gambia, from 6 to 20 November 2003;

**Bearing in mind** Resolution *ACHPR/Res.123 (XXXXII) 07 on the Composition and Renewal of the Mandate of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations/Communities in Africa* adopted at its 42nd Ordinary Session held from 15 to 28 November 2007, in Brazzaville, Republic of Congo, renewing the mandate of the Working Group for two years;

**Recalling** Resolution *ACHPR/Res.155 (XLV1) 09 on the Renewal of the Mandate of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations/Communities in Africa* adopted during the 46th Ordinary Session of the Commission held in Banjul, The Gambia, from 11 to 25 November 2009, renewing the mandate of the Working Group for a period of two years;

**Further Recalling** Resolution *ACHPR/ Res. 204 (L) 11: Resolution on the Appointment of the Chairperson and Members of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations/ Communities in Africa* adopted during the  50 th Ordinary Session of the  Commission held  in  Banjul, The  Gambia, 24  October to 4 November 2011;

**Noting** that Mr. Zephyrin Kalimba, a long-standing member of the Working Group, resigned in November 2012;

**Cognizant** of the need for the Working Group to expand its membership to continue to properly discharge its mandate;

**Recognizing** the importance of the work of the Working Group in the promotion and protection of the rights of indigenous populations/communities in Africa, and the necessity to allow the Working Group to continue to carry out its mandate;

**Decides to Appoint, for a period of two years**:

I. Ms. Hawe Hamman Bouba (Cameroon) as a member of the Working Group to replace Mr. Kalimba; and

II. Ms. Lesle Jansen (South Africa) as an additional member of the Working Group.

**Done in Banjul, The Gambia, on 23 April 2013**