**ACHPR/Res.295 (EXT.OS/XVII) 2015: Resolution on Meetings of the Working Group on Communications**

*The African Commission on Human and Peoples’ Rights (the Commission), meeting at its 17th Extraordinary Session held in Banjul, The Gambia, from 19 to 28 February 2015;*

***Recalling*** its mandate to promote and protect human and peoples’ rights under the African Charter on Human and Peoples’ Rights (the African Charter);

***Considering*** Rule 23 (1) of the Commission’s Rules of Procedure which provides that the Commission may create subsidiary mechanisms such as special rapporteurs, committees and working groups;

***Considering*** Rules 26 and 27 of the Rules of Procedure which provide that the Commission shall hold Ordinary and Extraordinary Sessions;

***Recalling*** its Resolution ACHPR/Res.194 (L) 11 on the establishment of the Working Group on Communications and the appointment of its members;

***Recalling*** Resolution ACHPR/Res.212 (EXT.OS/XI) 2012 on the mandate of the Commission’s Working Group on Communications;

***Recalling*** Resolution ACHPR/Res.225 (LII) 2012 on the renewal of the mandate and modification of the composition of the Working Group on Communications;

***Considering*** the technical nature of the work of the Working Group on Communications;

***Considering*** the need to create favourable conditions for members of the Commission to properly implement their protection mandate;

1. Decides that the meetings of the Working Group on Communications shall be considered as extraordinary sessions;
2. Grants Commissioners participating in sessions of the Working Group on Communications the same entitlements as those given during ordinary and extraordinary sessions;
3. Tasks the Secretariat with ensuring the implementation of this Resolution and to report to the Commission.

**Done in Banjul, The Gambia on 28 February 2015**