

**DECISION ON THE 32<sup>nd</sup> and 33<sup>rd</sup> COMBINED ACTIVITY REPORT OF THE  
AFRICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS  
Doc. EX.CL/782(XXII)**

**The Executive Council,**

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the 32<sup>nd</sup> and 33<sup>rd</sup> combined activity report of the African Commission on Human and Peoples Rights (ACHPR), the activities undertaken by the ACHPR from November 2011 to October 2012 and the recommendations contained therein, and authorizes publication thereof;
2. **FURTHER NOTE** with appreciation the progress made in the promotion and protection of Human and Peoples Rights in Member States in the past 25 years;
3. **COMMENDS** Member States that have submitted their periodic reports and **URGE** those that have not yet done so to comply with the obligations set out in Article 62 of the African Charter;
4. **FURTHER COMMENDS** the ACHPR for the work accomplished during the period under review;
5. **REQUESTS** the African Union Commission (AUC) to address as a matter of priority, the needs of the ACHPR in terms of funding and staffing by providing this important organ with adequate human and financial resources to enable it deliver on its mandate;
6. **TAKES NOTE** of the update made by the delegation of the Gambian on the provision of a permanent headquarters for the ACHPR;
7. **EXPRESSES** its gratitude to the Government of the Republic of The Gambia for kindly hosting ACHPR for the past 25 years;
8. **URGES** the Republic of The Gambia to construct a permanent Headquarters for the ACHPR as provided for in the Host Agreement and **REITERATES** Decision EX.CL/Dec.689(XX);
9. **REQUESTS** the AUC to take all necessary measures with a view to implementing the relevant Executive Council decisions on the emoluments and allowances of officials of the ACHPR;
10. **ACCEPTS** the request of the Commission that the consideration of the report of the Commission to the Saharawi Arab Democratic Republic be deferred to the Ordinary Session of the Executive Council in May 2013;
11. **ENCOURAGES** the ACHPR to respect its procedures when considering reports submitted to it, and consult Member States concerned, as appropriate prior to the issuance of its resolutions;

12. **DECIDES** that in line with Article 54 of the African Charter on Human and People's Rights, the Commission will continue to present its Report at every session of the Executive Council.