

PROTOCOL TO THE AFRICAN CHARTER ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AFRICAN COURT ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS

INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION


WHEREAS the Protocol to the African Charter on Human and Peoples Rights on the Establishment of an African Court on Human and Peoples Rights (hereinafter referred to as the "Protocol") entered into force on the 1 day of January, 2004;

AND WHEREAS Article 34 of the Protocol provides that the Protocol shall be open for ratification, acceptance and accession by Member States;

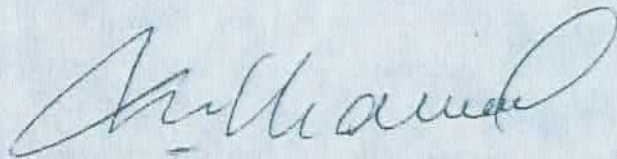
AND WHEREAS the Republic of Malawi is signatory to the Protocol;

AND WHEREAS it is the wish of the Government of the Republic of Malawi that the Republic of Malawi ratifies the Protocol and accepts the competence of the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights (hereinafter referred to as the "Court") to receive cases under Article 5 (3) of the Protocol;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Dr. BINGU wa MUTHARIKA, President of the Republic of Malawi, for and on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Malawi, DO HEREBY notify and confirm, in accordance with Article 34 of the Protocol, that the Republic of Malawi ratifies the Protocol and accepts the competence of the Court to receive cases under Article 5 (3) of the Protocol.

OFFICE OF THE LEGAL COUNSEL	
DATE RATIFIED	09-09-2008
DATE DEPOSITED	09-10-2008
INITIAL	

DONE under my hand at LILONGWE this 9th day of September 2008.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Bingu wa Mutharika', written in a cursive style.

DR. BINGU wa MUTHARIKA
President