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Dear Sir,

**Competence of the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights**

With reference to the above subject matter, please be informed that Ghana has accepted, in terms of Article 34(6) of the Protocol, the competence of the Court to deal with cases brought under Article 5(3) of the said Protocol. A copy of the Declaration of acceptance is herewith attached for ease of reference.

Please accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely yours,

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REPUBLIC OF GHANA

DECLARATION UNDER ARTICLE 34(6) OF THE PROTOCOL TO THE AFRICAN CHARTER ON  
HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE  
AFRICAN COURT ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS

WHEREAS on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2004 Ghana ratified the Protocol to the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights on the Establishment of the African Court of Justice

WHEREAS Article 34(6) of the Protocol requires a State Party to make a declaration accepting the competence of the Court to receive cases under Article 5(3) of the Protocol

WHEREAS Article 5(3) of the Protocol stipulates that the Court may entitle relevant Non- Governmental Organisations (NGOs) with observer status before the African Commission and individuals to institute cases directly before it in accordance with Article 34(6)

NOW, therefore, the Republic of Ghana having ratified the Protocol to the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights on the Establishment of the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights hereby declares that it accepts the competence of the Court to receive cases against the Republic of Ghana under Article 5(3) of the Protocol.

DATED IN ACCRA, THE 9<sup>th</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2011

ALHAJI MUHAMMAD MUMUNI  
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