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AFRICAN COURT ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS
COUR AFRICAINE DES DROITS DE L'HOMME ET DES PEUPLES
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Ref:.....

APPLICANT(S)

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Vs

RESPONDENT (S)

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION¹

Rule 33(1)², 34 and 40³

¹ There are no filing fees for Applications.

² **Rule 33 of the Rules of Court -Access to the Court**

Pursuant to the Provisions of Article 5 and 34(6) of the Protocol, the following are entitled to submit cases to the court:

- a. The African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights
- b. The State party which has lodged an Application to the Commission
- c. The State party against which an Application has been lodged at the Commission
- d. The State party whose citizen is a victim of Human Rights violation
- e. An African inter- governmental Organisation
- f. Individual or Non- Governmental Organisation which has observer status before the Commission provided the state party has made a declaration to this effect.

³ **Rule 40 of the Rules of Court -Conditions for Admissibility of Applications**

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 56 of the Charter to which Article 6(2) of the Protocol refers, Applications to the court shall comply with the following conditions:

1. Disclose the identity of the Applicant notwithstanding the latter's request for anonymity;
2. Comply with Constitutive Act of the Union and the Charter;
3. Not contain any disparaging or insulting language;
4. Not be based exclusively on news disseminated through mass media;
5. Be filed after exhausting local remedies, if any, unless it is obvious that this procedure is unduly prolonged;
6. Be filed within a reasonable time from the date local remedies were exhausted or from the date set by the court as being the commencement of the time limit within which it shall be seized with the matter; and
7. Not raise any matter or issue previously settled by the parties in accordance with the parties in accordance with principles of the Charter of the United Nations, the Constitutive Act of the African Union, the provisions of the Charter or of any legal instrument of the African Union.

1. Particulars of the Applicant(s) (*Fill the applicable section*)

a). Individual:

Full Name: _____

Nationality: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Postal and Physical Address:

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Fax: _____

b). Institution:

Registered name: _____

Country of registration: _____

Postal and Physical Address:

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Fax: _____

C) State:

Official Name: _____

Postal and Physical Address:

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Fax: _____

2. Legal Representative and/or person acting on behalf of (an) Applicant(s).

(*Fill the applicable section*)

a). Individual:

Full Name: _____

Nationality: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Postal and Physical Address:

Telephone: _____ Email: _____
Fax: _____

b). Institution:

Registered name: _____

Country of registration: _____

Postal and Physical Address:

Telephone: _____ Email: _____
Fax: _____

3. State(s) against which the application is filed

(This must be (a) State(s) which has/have ratified the Protocol to the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights on the Establishment of an African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights. If the Application is by an individual or Non-Governmental Organization, that State should have made a declaration under Article 34(6) of the Protocol of the Court) accepting the competence of the Court to receive such applications – Check the status list for this on http://www.au.int/en/sites/default/files/treaties/7778-sl-protocol-to-the-african-charter-on-human-and-peoplesrights-on-the-establishment-of-an-african-court-on-human-and-peoples-rights_17.pdf)

4. A summary of the facts

(The Applicant(s)/victim(s) should explain what happened to him/ her/ them that made him/her/them file the application before this Court)

Note: In particular, specify the place, the date (chronologically), and the circumstances in which the alleged violations occurred, including the State Agencies/Institutions alleged to have been involved.

Note: If the complaints relate to a number of different matters (e.g. different sets of court proceedings) please deal with each factual matter separately

- a) Arabic
- b) English
- c) French
- d) Portuguese
- e) Other (Please specify)

11. Summary of the Application

(Provide a summary of the Application covering the main points under Number 1 to 7 above. (Note more than three (3) pages)

Dated atthis (day) of (month) (year).

APPLICANT(S)/REPRESENTATIVE(S)

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