

ACHPR/Res.237 (LIII) 2013: RESOLUTION APPOINTING EXPERTS MEMBERS FOR THE WORKING GROUP ON INDIGENOUS POPULATIONS/COMMUNITIES IN AFRICA

The African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights (the Commission) meeting at its 53rd Ordinary Session held from 9 to 23 April 2013, in Banjul, The Gambia;

Considering its mandate to promote human and peoples' rights and ensure their protection in Africa under the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights (the African Charter);

Recalling that the Commission established a Working Group composed of nine members, amongst them, three Members of the Commission;

Recalling its Resolution *ACHPR/Res.65 (XXXIV) 03 on the Adoption of the "Report of the African Commission's Working Group on Indigenous Populations/Communities"* adopted at its 34th Ordinary Session held in Banjul, The Gambia, from 6 to 20 November 2003;

Bearing in mind Resolution *ACHPR/Res.123 (XXXII) 07 on the Composition and Renewal of the Mandate of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations/Communities in Africa* adopted at its 42nd Ordinary Session held from 15 to 28 November 2007, in Brazzaville, Republic of Congo, renewing the mandate of the Working Group for two years;

Recalling Resolution *ACHPR/Res.155 (XLV1) 09 on the Renewal of the Mandate of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations/Communities in Africa* adopted during the 46th Ordinary Session of the Commission held in Banjul, The Gambia, from 11 to 25 November 2009, renewing the mandate of the Working Group for a period of two years;

Further Recalling Resolution *ACHPR/ Res. 204 (L) 11: Resolution on the Appointment of the Chairperson and Members of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations/ Communities in Africa* adopted during the 50th Ordinary Session of the Commission held in Banjul, The Gambia, 24 October to 4 November 2011;

Noting that Mr. Zephyrin Kalimba, a long-standing member of the Working Group, resigned in November 2012;

Cognizant of the need for the Working Group to expand its membership to continue to properly discharge its mandate;

Recognizing the importance of the work of the Working Group in the promotion and protection of the rights of indigenous populations/communities

in Africa, and the necessity to allow the Working Group to continue to carry out its mandate;

Decides to Appoint, for a period of two years:

- I. Ms. Hawe Hamman Bouba (Cameroon) as a member of the Working Group to replace Mr. Kalimba; and
- II. Ms. Leslie Jansen (South Africa) as an additional member of the Working Group.

Done in Banjul, The Gambia, on 23 April 2013