



Expert Meeting: Right to Reparation for Torture: the Role of African Human Rights Mechanisms

Kololi, The Gambia, 5-6 April 2013

In collaboration with the

Egyptian Initiative for Personal Rights (EIPR), International Medico-Legal Unit (IMLU), the Actions pour la Protection des Droits de l'Homme (APDH) and Prisoners Rehabilitation and Welfare Action (PRAWA)

Draft Programme

Day 1: Friday 5 April 2013

08:30- 09:00 Participant Registration

9:00 – 9:10 Welcome Remarks [Justice Charles Mkandawire]

09:10-09:20 Introduction & Objectives [CSVR/ REDRESS]

09:20-09:40 Introduction: Victims' right to reparation: international standards and developments [Jurgen Schurr, REDRESS]

Discussion

09:40-11:00 Plenary Discussion: National experiences in interacting with 'Africa's human rights mechanisms' and the right to reparation

[Moderator: Shuvai Busuman- Nyoni]

Each presentation 5min.

- Zimbabwe (Susan Mutambasere, Zimbabwe Human Rights NGO Forum)
- Egypt (Bahaa Ezzelarab Egyptian Initiative for Personal Rights) (African

- Kenya (Diana Watila (Independent Medico Legal Unit))
- Uganda (Kembabazi Lydia Winyi, ACTV)
- South Africa (Sufiya Bray CSVr)
- Burundi (Fatima Jumaine)
- Ivory Coast (Mel ChristianoAke, APDH)
- Nigeria (UjuOsunade, PRAWA)
- Democratic Republic of Congo (Eugene Buzake, SAJ)

Discussion

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11:00 – 11:30 Tea Break

11:30 – 13:00 (Sub-) regional application of the right to reparation

ECOWAS Court of Justice, ACmHPR, East African Court of Justice, SADC Tribunal

Moderator: Fatima Jumaine

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch Break

14:00 – 15:15 Plenary Discussion: Identifying best practices: the Jurisprudence of the 'Inter-American Human Rights Mechanisms'

[Moderator: Bahaa Ezzelarab, EIPR]

Inter-American Court & Inter-American Commission (Elizabeth Abi-Mershed, Inter-American Commission & Maria Claudia Pulido, Inter-American Commission) (40Min)

- Discussion Nigeria (UjuOsunade, PRAWA)

15:15- 15:30 Tea Break

15:30 – 16:30 Working Groups: Strengthening rights of victims before the Mechanisms

Questions to consider:

- How can we build on the best practices elsewhere, and ensure consistency in reparation rulings by the Mechanisms in line with international law and standards (including: definition of victim; forms of reparation in relation to different article 5 violations; systemic violations)?
- What are some of the challenges faced by the Mechanisms (and States) in providing reparation to victims and how could these be addressed?

16:30-17:00 Reporting back to Plenary + Discussion

17:00 Closing Remarks of Day One (Shuvai Busuman-Nyoni, CSVr)

African Court.

Day 2 : Saturday 6 April 2013:

9:00 – 9:15 Recap of Day One

9.15- 9:25 Introduction & Objectives for day two [CSV & REDRESS]

9:25-9:45 Right to reparation for torture: what role for 'African Human Rights Mechanisms'?

(Commissioner Med S. K. Kagwa, Commissioner, African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights -tbc)

9:45 – 11:00 Working Groups: Mapping out the role for 'African Human Rights Mechanisms' in strengthening the right of victims of torture to reparation'

Questions to consider:

- o How should part III of Robben Island Guidelines be developed in light of developments under international law since adoption in 2002?
- o (How) can a 'manual or guidelines' on the right to reparation for victims of torture assist African Human Rights Mechanisms in rulings on reparation?
- o Identify key components for a civil society Action Plan on reparation for victims of torture on a (sub-) regional level

from guidelines adopted in mechanisms

11:00 – 11:15 Tea Break

11:15-12:15 Reporting Back from Working Groups & Discussion

12:15- 13:00 Roundtable Discussion on the way forward

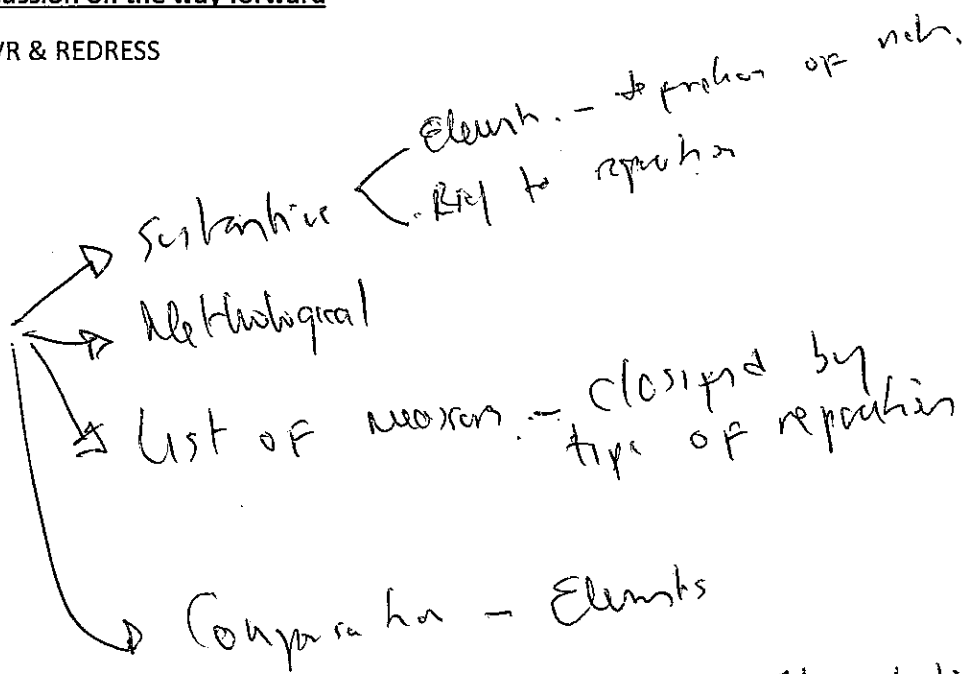
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13:00 Closing

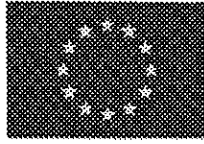
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