

## **LIBERIA**

### **Special Action or Decisions Taken Re: Reporting, Including Urgent Action Procedure**

**CERD A/51/18 (1996)**

Decision 3 (49)

The Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination,

While remaining seized of the case of Liberia under its Early Warning and Urgent Procedures,

Welcoming the latest efforts made by the ECOWAS leaders in Abuja, Nigeria to reconstitute the leadership of the Liberian Council of State under the Chairmanship of Senator Ruth Perry and the setting up of a time table for disarmament, demobilisation of militia and ultimately general elections,

Calls upon the United Nations and the International Community to support the efforts of the ECOWAS leaders, the latest Abuja Agreement on Liberia and to extend logistic and other assistance to the achievement of lasting peace in Liberia;

Urges the Liberian leaders of the Reconstituted Council of State to ensure reconciliation in order to reduce and ultimately remove tension between the different Liberian ethnic groups and now to ensure that human rights violations and extra judicial executions are ceased;

Offers its assistance, particularly on reconciliation between the ethnic groups;

Will remain seized with the case of Liberia in order to assess the implementation of the latest Abuja Agreement on Liberia as envisaged by the ECOWAS leaders on the 19th and 20th August 1996 and the reduction of tension between the Liberian ethnic groups.

1183<sup>rd</sup> meeting  
22 August 1996

**CERD A/56/18 (2001)**

X. DECISIONS

The following decisions were adopted by the Committee at its fifty-ninth session:

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Decision 2 (59) on Liberia

The Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination,

Having considered the situation in Liberia under the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination while also remaining seized of the situation in Liberia under its early warning and urgent action procedures,

Recalling the concerns expressed in its decision 3 (49) of 22 August 1996 on Liberia,

Regretting that the Government of Liberia has failed to submit even its initial report in accordance with article 9 of the Convention in the 25 years since it ratified the Convention in 1976,

Deeply concerned about credible reports of widespread violations in Liberia of the rights guaranteed under the Convention,

1. Considers the situation in Liberia to be extremely grave with respect to the implementation of the Convention;
2. Urges the Republic of Liberia to take immediate and effective measures to fulfil its obligations under the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, including its reporting obligations under article 9;
3. Expresses its willingness to send one or more of its members to visit Liberia with a view to initiating a dialogue with the Government of Liberia and assisting it in fulfilling its obligations under the Convention.

1488th meeting  
14 August 2001