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DRAFT General Comment No.3 on Article 4 of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights (the right to life)

Over the past year the UN Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions and the Unlawful Killings Unit at the Centre for Human Rights have been collaborating with the African Commission's Working Group on Extra-Judicial, Summary or Arbitrary Killings in Africa, as they work to develop a General Comment on Article 4 of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights, on the right to life.

In June the Special Rapporteur and the Working Group had a joint meeting in Kigali, Rwanda, at which the Working Group agreed a draft text, which they have now opened for public comment before another expert meeting being arranged with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in Geneva in September.

The procedure for the consultation can be found on the homepage of the African Commission, [here](#).

The English text of the draft General Comment can be found [here](#). The French text can be found [here](#).