Monitoring Implementation of Decisions by the ACERWC

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Mechanism for monitoring implementation of decisions

- Revised Guidelines for Consideration of Communications to include procedures for implementation
- Decisions on merits, provisional measures, amicable settlement
- **Reporting**: States have to report back to the Committee within 180 days after receiving the decision of the Committee
- Additional 90 days may be given if a State fails to submit report
- The report will be shared with the Applicants
• Hearing might be held after the report or even without a report
• Aim of the hearing is to allow the Committee to see progress achieved, challenges faced
• Applicants can be invited to make reflection on the report of the State (important in implementation)
• Open session hearing
• Guiding recommendations will be adopted by the Committee
Continued

- **Rapporteur** is appointed for each Communication who is also tasked in the follow-up.
- **Follow-up country visit** can also be held.
- **Reporting** to the PRC and Executive Council on lack of implementation.
- **State Party reporting**
- **Working Group on implementation of decisions** - Established in 2020 and it will operationalize on April 2021.
- **Affiliate status to NHRI**s - One of their role is to monitor implementation of decisions.
Opportunities

- Increased implementation hearing held and it assists in accountability
  - Mauritania
  - Senegal
  - Cameroon - upcoming session

Report will be in the Session report and it will be widely circulated
Rich interaction
Challenges

• Lack of timely response for reports
• Lack of response for hearings
• Lack of measures taken
• Lack of follow-up from applicants
• Lack of proper guidelines for specific remedies like compensation
• No NHRI with observer status so far
• Shortage of resource both at the Committee and States
Way forward

• Measurable decision for easier implementation
• Using all avenues of engagement with states to follow-up implementation
• Enhance constructive engagement with States
• Visibility of the Committee among various organs of the State
• Collaboration among the various organs
• Applicants’ role should not be disregarded