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QUESTIONNAIRE

The Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights is preparing a report on systemic racism and police brutality against Africans and people of African Descent; and repression of anti-racism peaceful protests.

Directed to civil society organizations

Deadline: December 4, 2020

Questionnaire

- 1.** Information on specific cases of police brutality against Africans and people of African descent, especially killings such as George Floyd.
- 2.** Did victims get justice for these crimes? If not, why?
- 3.** Does the legal system treat Africans and people of African descent differently? If so, identify these patterns.
- 4.** Are there laws or policies to prevent and remedy police brutality against Africans and people of African descent? If so, are they effective and why?
- 5.** What are the systems, structures, laws and policies and/or practices that entrench systemic racism against Africans and people of African descent including from historical legacies, and government efforts to address it?
- 6.** What is their impact on the enjoyment of civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights of Africans and people of African descent?
- 7.** What were your government's responses to anti-racism peaceful protests? What are the applicable laws/regulations, their impact and effectiveness?
- 8.** Does your government collect and analyze disaggregated data? If no, why? What is the data disaggregated by race, colour, descent, or national or ethnic origin, sex, age, economic and social situation, disability, sexual orientation and gender identity, incarceration and other status?

9. What are the mechanisms in place to ensure representation of Africans and people of African descent in processes to identify and remove institutional racism in the police and criminal legal system?
10. Intersectional analysis including for women, children, and discrimination based on sex, gender, economic and social status, disability, or other status.
11. What are the challenges and recommendations to end systemic racism at local, national and state level, to prevent and remedy policy brutality, to ensure justice to victims for both contemporary and historical violations, and to ensure appropriate government responses to anti-racism peaceful protests?



Q&A

Can I send information answering only some of the questions?

Yes.

What should I include in my submission?

Make sure to include hyperlinks to relevant websites, documents, statistical data, reports, public regulations and legislation that you refer to.

Do I need to be a victim of a violation or a member of an organization to make a submission?

Anyone can make a submission, on their own behalf, of behalf of other victims and/on behalf of an organization.

Will all the information I send appear in the final UN report?

Not necessarily.

What will be done with the information I'll send and that will not appear on the report?

All submissions, including those not reflected on the report, will be published as is on OHCHR website.

How can I send information? By when and in which languages?

You can send it in Word format by email to Antiracism1@ohchr.org and Registry@ohchr.org by 4 December 2020, in English, French or Spanish.

Will my submission be posted on OHCHR [website](#)?

Yes, unless you ask them not to publish it.

What should the UN do next to support victims, their families and communities?

More than 660 human rights organisations from around the world, led by families of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Philando Castille and Michael Brown [demanded](#) that the UN Human Rights Council establish an international investigation on systemic racism, police brutality, and repression of protests in the United States. UN experts supported this call, and in addition [demanded](#) that the Human Rights Council also establish an international investigation on systemic racism in law enforcement globally, especially where it is related to legacies of colonialism and transatlantic slavery.

If you support these demands, and/or have other demands for the UN, don't forget to add them in your submission!