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Member States and Commissioners

All persons present

The [African Rights Centre, Geneva, France](#) (AFRCF) welcomes the opportunity to make a statement in response to the activity report of the Special Rapporteur on Prisons, Conditions of Detention and Policing in Africa. We welcome this statement together with the [United Country, in Decriminalising Poverty and Status](#) (the United Country), of which we are a founding member.

The work of Geneva centres and others has highlighted that the continued criminalisation of homelessness across Africa is a critical human rights challenge. From an economic perspective, it also criminalises homeless people across Africa, which