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THE MATTER OF
HOUNGUE ERIC NOUDEHOUEYOU

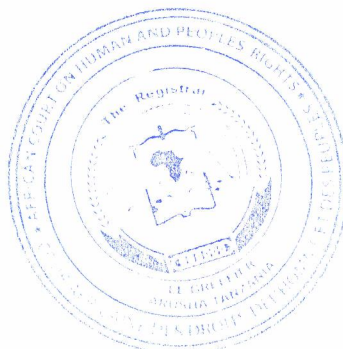
V.

REPUBLIC OF BENIN

APPLICATION No. 028/2020

**RULING
(PROVISIONAL MEASURES)**

27 NOVEMBER 2020



The Court composed of: Sylvain ORÉ, President, Ben KIOKO, Vice-President, Rafaâ BEN ACHOUR, Ângelo V. MATUSSE, Suzanne MENGUE, M-Thérèse MUKAMULISA, Tujilane R. CHIZUMILA, Chafika BENSAOULA, Blaise TCHIKAYA, Stella I. ANUKAM, Imani D. ABOUD - Judges; and Robert ENO, Registrar.

In the Matter of:

HOUNGUE Eric NOUDEHOUEYOU

Represented by *Société Civile Professionnelle d'Avocats* (SCPA), Mr. Robert M. Dossou, Advocate of the Benin Bar.

Versus

REPUBLIC OF BENIN

Represented by M. Irene ACOMBLESSI, Judicial Agent of the Treasury.

After deliberation,

Issues the following Ruling:

I. THE PARTIES

1. Mr. Hougue Eric Noudehouenou, (hereinafter referred to as “the Applicant”) is a national of Benin. He is seeking orders of provisional measures to stay all criminal proceedings, to prevent the deprivation of his liberty, for an urgent review of the merits of his case and imposition of a penalty for any delay in execution of the decision of the Court.
2. The Application is filed against the Republic of Benin (hereinafter referred to as “the Respondent State”), which became party to the African Charter on Human and Peoples’ Rights (hereinafter referred to as “the Charter”) on 21 October 1986 and to the Protocol to the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights on the Establishment of an African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights (hereinafter