**Second Part: Word Format APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL PROCEDURES MANDATE HOLDERS**

HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL SECRETARIAT

APPLICATION FORM SPECIAL PROCEDURES MANDATE
**Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Haiti
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Mali**

How to start the application process:

- The application process has been split into 2 parts, the first part is a Web-based survey and the second part is an application form in word which can be downloaded, completed and returned by email. Both parts and all sections of the application form should be filled in for the application to be processed.

The **first part**, i.e. the [Web-based survey](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/HRC23_SPMandateHolders) is used to collect information for statistical purposes such as personal data (i.e. name, gender, nationality), contact details, mandate/s applying for and nominating entity. **The web-based survey should only be completed once**, i.e. multiple selection allowed to indicate if the candidate is applying for more than one mandates.

This is the **second part, i.e.** of the application form in Word which can be downloaded, completed and saved in word format and then submitted as an attachment by email. Information provided in this form, includes a motivation letter of maximum 600 words, will be used as received to prepare the public list of candidates who applied for each vacancy and will be made available to concerned parties, including through the OHCHR Internet.

Once completed the application form in Word should be submitted by email to [hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org](http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/HRBodies/SP/CallApplications/IEMali_Haiti/hrcspecialprocedures%40ohchr.org)mailto:

If the candidate is applying for more than one mandates, an application form needs to be completed and sent for each mandate.

* A maximum of 3 reference letters can be attached, in pdf format, to the application sent by email. No additional document is required.
* **Application Deadline: 02 May 2013 (midnight, GMT)**.
* Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed at a later stage.

If encountering technical difficulties, you may contact us by email: hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org  mailto:or fax: + 41 22 917 9011

**An acknowledgment will be sent when we receive both parts of the application process, i.e. the information through the web-based survey and the application form through email.**

**PERSONAL DATA**

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| Family Name: LOUNES  | Sex: [x]  Male [ ]  Female |
| First Name: Belkacem  | Date of birth ( d-MMM-yy): 06-02-1955 |
| Maiden name (if any):        | Place of birth: Isser |
| Middle name:        | Nationality(please indicate the nationality that will appear on the public list of candidates): French |
|  | Any other nationality: Algerian |

**I. MANDATE**

Indicate the specific mandate applied for:

Note: **Please select ONE only**. If you are applying for more than one mandate, please submit a separate form for each mandate.

[ ]  Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Haiti

[x]  Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Mali

**II. MANDATE - SPECIFIC COMPETENCE/QUALIFICATION/KNOWLEDGE**

**NOTE: Please describe why the candidate’s competence/qualifications/knowledge is relevant in relation to the specific mandate:**

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| QUALIFICATIONS (200 words)Relevant educational qualifications or equivalent professional experience in the field of human rights; good communication skills (i.e. orally and in writing) in one of the official languages of the United Nations (i.e. Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, Spanish.) | Doctorate in Economic and social sciences, option "Policy of science and the prospective ", on 1984, University of Grenoble, France. Professor of Economy to the Regional Socioeconomic Institute and to the University of Grenoble, since 1991. President of the World Amazigh Congress, international NGO of defense and promotion of human rights, from 2002 till 2011"Conseiller Régional" in the Regional Council of Rhône-Alpes (France) since May, 2010 |
| RELEVANT EXPERTISE (200 words)Knowledge of international human rights instruments, norms and principles. (Please state how this was acquired).Knowledge of institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations’ work in the area of human rights. (Please state how this was acquired).Proven work experience in the field of human rights. (Please state years of experience. | Experience of about 20 years in the field of the defense and the promotion of human rights. Very good knowledge of the system of the human rights of the United Nations and strong implication in the process of establishment of the rights in favour of indigenous peoples. Realization of alternative reports submitted to the various Committees of the human rights of United Nations and participation to the Working group of Indigenous peoples, then the Permanent Forum on the rights of Indigenous peoples and for expert Mechanism on the Indigenous issues.     Author of the report "The constitutional and legislative protection of the human rights in Algeria ", on 2009, BIT-UA-University of Pretoria.Author of articles in the yearbook of the ONG IWGIA, on the indigenous issues.Participation at numerous international conferences on the questions of human rights, animation of a large number of public conferences and seminars. |

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| ESTABLISHED COMPETENCE (200 words)Nationally, regionally or internationally recognized competence related to human rights. (Please explain how such competence was acquired). | At the international level, collaboration with organs dedicated to the human rights of the Council of Europe, to the European Commission ( IEDDH) and of the UNO.At the regional level of North Africa, animantion of trainings and seminars on human rights and in particular on mechanism of defense and promotion of the human rights of United Nations.The knowledges were mainly acquired by the practical experience on the ground, as defender of human rights.My academic formation and my experience and my numerous visits on the ground, also allowed me to know perfectly all the countries of the North of Africa and Sahel, of which Mali. |
| flexibility/readiness and AVAILABILITY of time (200 words)to perform effectively the functions of the mandate and to respond to its requirements, including participating in Human Rights Council sessions in Geneva and General Assembly sessions in New York, travelling on special procedures visits, drafting reports and engaging with a variety of stakeholders. (Indicate whether candidate can dedicate an estimated total of approx. three months per year to the work of a mandate) | As Professor, I dedicate at present about ten hours a week to my activity of teaching, what leaves me a lot of time for my extrauniversity activities. I can free thus easily the necessary time (at least 3 months in the year) to assume completely my function of Special Rapporter. Besides, the geographical closeness with Mali and my knowledge of this country and his main actors, are factors which will allow me to save time and to assure more effectively my mandate.  |

**III. LANGUAGES (READ / WRITTEN / SPOKEN)**

**Please indicate all language skills**

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| **Languages** | **Read** | **Write** | **Speak** |
|  | **Easily** | **Not Easily** | **Easily** | **Not Easily** | **Easily** | **Not Easily** |
| **Arabic** | **[x]**  | **[ ]**  | **[x]**  | **[ ]**  | **[x]**  | **[ ]**  |
| **Chinese** | **[ ]**  | **[ ]**  | **[ ]**  | **[ ]**  | **[ ]**  | **[ ]**  |
| **English** | **[ ]**  | **[x]**  | **[ ]**  | **[x]**  | **[ ]**  | **[x]**  |
| **French** | **[x]**  | **[ ]**  | **[x]**  | **[ ]**  | **[x]**  | **[ ]**  |
| **Russian** | **[ ]**  | **[ ]**  | **[ ]**  | **[ ]**  | **[ ]**  | **[ ]**  |
| **Spanish** | **[ ]**  | **[x]**  | **[ ]**  | **[x]**  | **[ ]**  | **[x]**  |
| **Mother tongue:** **Amazigh-Berbère** | **[x]**  | **[ ]**  | **[x]**  | **[ ]**  | **[x]**  | **[ ]**  |

**IV. Motivation Letter (600 word limit)**

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| Since my young age, I was always attracted by the questions of justice and human rights. I read regularly the reports of NGOs as Amnesty International and I often participated in campaigns organized by this NGO for the liberation of the political prisoners. That is why I began to militate in favour of the justice and the human rights from the age of approximately 20 years, in various associations. In the middle of 1990s, I participated in the creation of a new international NGO of defense of the human rights of which I became President from 2002 till 2011. This period was for me very rich in learnings and in field experiences, what strengthened my conviction that it is more than ever necessary to fight against the violations of human rights and for their prevention, particularly in the least developed countries. In these countries in particular, infringements of rights human in the broad sense, are among the main factors which put obstacle to the development. It is thus essential that all the actors can act in a convergent way to establish rules of law. My academic skills, my knowledge concerning the standards and the international instruments relative to human rights and my working knowledges of Mali, are my key points which will allow me to assure in a satisfactoriest possible way my responsibility as Special Reporter. I also have a big ease in the analyse of the situations and the writing reports.  |

**V. EDUCATIONAL RECORD**

**NOTE: Please list the candidate’s academic qualifications: (university level and higher)**

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| **Name of degree and name of academic institution** | **Years of Attendance** | **Place and Country** |
| Doctorate in Economic and social sciences  | 1984 | Grenoble University, France |
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**VI. EMPLOYMENT RECORD**

**NOTE: Please briefly list ALL RELEVANT professional positions held, beginning with the most recent one:**

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| Name of EmployerFunctional TitleMain functions of position | Years of Attendance/Work | Place and Country |
| Institut Socio-Economique Régional, Grenoble, France, Professor of Economy | Since 1991 | Grenoble, France |
| Université Pierre Mendes-France, Grenoble, Professor of methodology in social sciences  | 5 years | Grenoble, France |
| Université Sthendal, Professor of Economy | Since 2007 | Grenoble, France |
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**VII. COMPLIANCE WITH ETHICS AND INTEGRITY PROVISIONS (of Council Resolution 5/1)**

1. To your knowledge, does the candidate have any official, professional, personal, or financial relationships that might cause him/her to limit the extent of their inquiries, to limit disclosure, or to weaken or slant findings in any way? If yes, please explain.

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| No |

2. Are there any factors that could either directly or indirectly influence, pressure, threaten, or otherwise affect the candidate’s ability to act independently in discharging his/her mandate? If yes, please explain:

No

3. Is there any reason, currently or in that past, that could call into question the candidate’s moral authority and credibility or does the candidate hold any views or opinions that could prejudice the manner in which she/he discharges his mandate? If yes, please explain:

No

4. Does the candidate comply with the provisions in paragraph 44 and 46 of the Annex to Human Rights Council resolution 5/1?

 *Para. 44: The principle of non-accumulation of human rights functions at a time shall be respected.*

*Para. 46: Individuals holding decision-making positions in Government or in any other organization or entity which may give rise to a conflict of interest with the responsibilities inherent to the mandate shall be excluded. Mandate-holders will act in their personal capacity*

Yes

5. Should the candidate be appointed as a mandate holder, he/she will have to take measures to comply with paragraphs 44 and 46 of the Annex to Council resolution 5/1. In the event that the current occupation or activity, even if unpaid, of the candidate may give rise to a conflict of interest (e.g. if a candidate holds a decision-making position in Government) and/or there is an accumulation of human rights functions (e.g. as a member of another human rights mechanism at the international, regional or national level), necessary measures could include relinquishing positions, occupations or activities. If applicable, please indicate the measures the candidate will take.

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Thank you for your interest.