**BURUNDI: A HIGHLY VULNERABLE POPULATION**

**IN AN ALARMING SOCIO-ECONOMIC AND HUMANITARIAN SITUATION**

Some data on the 12+ million Burundian population

- 83.4% of the population lived below the poverty line in 2019 (Source: World Bank)
- Only 28% of the Burundian population is food secure and 58% is suffering from chronic malnutrition
- 52% of children under five years are stunted (Source: WFP)
- 100,000 persons affected by natural disasters, including 44,222 displaced persons, in 2020
- 2.3 million persons need humanitarian assistance (Source: OCHA)
- Access to basic health care weakened by the precarious financial situation of the population and a network of medical facilities that are inadequate in their numbers and range of care
- 176,000 persons, 98% of whom are women, in need of protection, especially with regard to sexual and gender-based violence
- Over 160,000 children aged between 3 and 16 years, including 80,000 girls, are likely to be out of school or have their schooling interrupted in 2021
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**MAIN VIOLATIONS STILL SUFFERED BY THE POPULATION**

- Population forced to make contributions – often without any legal basis – to the State or the ruling party
- Population victim of violence perpetrated by the Imbonerakure
- Population vulnerable to extortion of money, under threat of arbitrary arrest or detention
- Population victim of the failure by the Burundian State to protect the rights to life and to an effective remedy: corpses found in public areas generally buried without investigations or victim identification