

Friday, 28th June 2024

## **#Africans4Kenya: PAN-AFRICAN SOLIDARITY AGAINST THE KILLINGS, ABDUCTIONS AND ABUSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS OF PROTESTERS**

Dear President William Ruto,

We the undersigned African CSOs, Movements, activists, human rights defenders and citizens have followed with keen interest the protests in Kenya against the Finance Bill 2024. The #RejectFinanceBill2024 protests are a legitimate expression of popular discontent which is an inalienable right of every citizen.

In the spirit of Pan-African solidarity and Ubuntu, anything that affects any African anywhere affects all Africans everywhere.

Since the beginning of the protests, we have observed that the protesters have been peaceful and yet they have been confronted with violence by the police and other security forces. That violence resulted in the deaths of some protestors, killed by their own country's police. Many more have been injured and are still in hospitals receiving treatment. Rampant arrests, tear gas and live bullets have been a regular feature of the police and security response.

Despite the violent response, the young people have shown courage. We salute their courage and conviction to see a better Kenya. A better Kenya means a better Africa.

We strongly condemn the gross violations of the human rights of the protestors and call on the government of Kenya to;

- **Stop killing protestors:** we have seen videos of people being shot dead, of dead bodies on the streets of Nairobi. As the Commander-in-Chief, you can order the police and security forces to desist from firing at protestors who are merely exercising their constitutional right as citizens. Shooting by police has killed a number of protestors and injured many more.
- **Stop the abductions of protestors:** independent reports by lawyers and human rights defenders indicate several people have been abducted and are still missing. The government of Kenya must produce all those who have been so kept by government operatives, investigate and punish perpetrators and desist from such acts.
- **Respect the human and constitutional rights of protestors:** respect the human rights of the protestors who are only exercising their constitutional rights to assembly and free expression as enshrined in the 2010 Kenyan Constitution. Rampant violations of human rights of protestors as we have seen in the past week are completely unacceptable.

- **Release all arrested protestors:** all those who have been arrested for protesting must be released immediately and unconditionally.
- **De-escalate the situation and engage in meaningful dialogue:** instead of confronting protests with violence, the government can de-escalate the situation by responding to the protestors demands against over-taxation, corruption and misgovernance.

It is important to note that even though the protests have abated, concerns remain that participants in the protests do not feel safe. The security forces in the country have a track record of following up on organizers of protests, intimidating, abducting and abusing their human rights. We place the government on notice that we would continue to monitor and take on any acts of abuse targeted at law-abiding citizens of the Republic of Kenya. **We believe that in the spirit of Ubuntu, whatever affects one African affects all Africans.**

Sincerely,

Signed and endorsed by the following organizations, movements and CSOs

<b>Name of Organisations/Movements/CSOs</b>	<b>Country</b>
A Common Future	Cameroon
A Portée de Mains, APM	Democratic Republic of Congo
AA International Burundi	Burundi
Abak peace foundation	Nigeria
AbantuLives	South Africa
AbibiNsroma Foundation	Ghana
Acção Florestal	Angola
Accountability Project Gambia	Gambia
ACN	Zimbabwe
ActionAid Zambia	Zambia
Action for a Sustainable Environment	Cameroon
Active Citizen Initiative Africa	Kenya
ACTIVISTA Ghana	Ghana
Activista The Gambia	The Gambia
ACUP	Ghana
Advocacy Network for Africa (AdNA)	USA
Advocate Club	Nigeria
Africa 1	Gambia
Africa 4 Kenyans	Nigeria

Africa Center for Health Systems and Gender Justice	Kenya
Africa Development Interchange Network (ADIN)	Cameron
Africa Solidarity Centre Ireland	Ireland
Africa Unite	South Africa
Africa United Sports Club e.V.	Germany
Africa World Now Project/IWW	global
African Election Observers Network	Uganda
African Initiative of Women Human Rights Defenders (WHRD Initiative)	South Africa
African Leadership University	Rwanda
African migration	South Africa
Africans Rising	Africa and Diaspora
ActionAid Sierra Leone	Sierra Leone
African Students For Liberty	Uganda
African Youth Parliament For Water	Nigeria
Africans for Kenya	Nigeria
Africans4Kenya	Germany
AfricTivistes	Sénégal
Afrika youth movement	DRC
Afrikan Indigenous Leaders	Continental
AGIR POUR LA SÉCURITÉ ET LA SOUVERAINETÉ ALIMENTAIRE ASSA	DRCONGO
Akua Britwum	I am signing on as an individual
Akurase Mpuntuo Foundation	Ghana
Alibra	Nigeria
Alliance of Heath	Mozambique
Alpha Action for Social and Economic Development-AASED	Uganda
Alvin Anthony	South Africa
Alvorecer	Mozambique
Amaclare Connect & Development Initiative	Nigeria
Amalgamated Rural Teachers Union of Zimbabwe	Zimbabwe
Amalgamated Rural Teachers Union of Zimbabwe	Zimbabwe
Amkeni Community-Based Organization	Mombasa, Kenya
ANC	South Africa
Angel voices	UK
APNEK	Tunisia

APPUI SOLIDAIRE POUR LE RENFORCEMENT DE L AIDE AU DEVELOPPEMENT	MALI
ARHA	Zambia
ARISE (AFRIKANS RISING IN SOLIDARITY AND EMPOWERMENT)	Norway
Arrivati	Germany
Associação MASUIKA	Angola 🇦🇴
Association des Jeunes De Gattaga	Mauritania
Association For Peace Building & Leadership Training (Peace Club)	Nigeria
ATFM.	Tunisia
Atlantic Fellows	United Kingdom
Azanian Peoples Organization	South Africa
Biba Transformations LBG	Ghana
Big Boyz Nation	Zambia
Bijwanka Enterprises	Uganda
BISO PEUPLE	Democratic Republic of Congo
Black Lives Matter Philadelphia	United States
Black Veterinary Forum	South Africa.
Black Queen African Creations	South Africa
Blue Revolution	Worldwide
Botsotso	South africa
Bridging the gap Botswana	Botswana
BSR	RSA
Budget Justice Coalition South Africa	South Africa
Build and Enlighten Communities Initiative	Nairobi
Bukamuso Foundation	Zambia
Burundian Youth Empowerment Program	Burundi
CADHO	DR CONGO
Cameroon Women's Peace Movement	Cameroon
CAN - Africa	Kenya
CAN Zambia	Zambia
Centre for Alternative Development	Zimbabwe
Centre for Civic Governance and Environmental Justice	Kenya
Centre for Coordination of Youth Activities CCYA	Sierra Leone
Centre for the Development of Women and Children	Zimbabwe
CHEP	Zambia

Child Rights Network for Southern Africa	South Africa
CISE Malawi	Malawi
Citizens Gavel	Nigeria
Civic Awareness Foundation	Zambia
Civil Society	Nigeria
Civil Society Development Network/Darfur	SUDAN
<a href="http://Clevenard.com">Clevenard.com</a>	Ghana 
Climate Action Network South Africa	South Africa
Climate Change and Environmental Defender	Namibia
Climate Clock	Democratic Republic of Congo
CODET Zimbabwe	Zimbabwe
Collective Youth Stand for Change	Mali
Community Employment for Progress Organisation	South sudan
Connected Goals	Nigeria
Conscious Millennials Foundation	Namibia
Conseil Territorial de la Jeunesse du Territoire de Rutshuru	République Démocratique du Congo
Consortium of Ethiopian Human Rights Organizations	Ethiopia
CRZ	Zambia
DAI-CLAIM	République démocratique du Congo
Debt For Climate	Global
Democracy at Heart	Uganda
Democracy Moves	USA
Didan Youth	Nigeria
Dignité Humaine	DRC
DYVOPA	RDC
Dzuka cholinga youth ZAMBIA	ZAMBIA
eBukhosini Solutions	Azania
Economic Fighters League	Ghana
EDFU Foundation	United States
EDUCATION FOR AFRICA	Kenya
EFF	South Africa
Elev8 Africa Networks	South Africa
End Femicide Kenya	Kenya

Environmental Empower Uganda	Uganda
Equality Rights Africa Organization	
ERA/FoE Nigeria	Nigeria
Extinction Rebellion Berlin	Germany
Faith Dawah Foundation	Ghana
Falia	Senegal
Feminist for peace rights and justice centre	Kenya
Feminist Macroeconomic Alliance of Malawi	Malawi
FFF Africa	Namibia/ Africa
Fields of Green for ALL NPC	South Africa
Fight Inequality Alliance Zambia	Zambia
Food and Rural Development Foundation	Cameroon
Forum Drugs Mediterranean	France
Freedom Movement Uganda	Uganda
Friends of Angola (FoA)	Angola
Friends of Franbarnie International	Liberia
Friends of the Earth Africa	Africa
Friends with Environment in Development	Uganda
Future Generation	Kenya
GAC uk	Uk
GAIA Africa	South Africa
GCA	Austria
Generation Lead Zambia	Zambia
Generational Reformer Foundation	Ghana
Girl Zone Empowerment Foundation	Zambia
Girls safeguarding Girls	Zambia
Global Initiative for Food Security and Ecosystem preservation(Gifsep)	Abuja, Nigeria
Global Youth-Link Organisation	South Sudan
Go green initiative	Nigerian
Graben asbl	DRC
Grassroots Development Common Initiative Group (GRADEICIG)	Cameroon
GREEN EARTH INITIATIVE KARAMOJA	Uganda
Green Foster Action Uganda	Uganda
Green String Network	Kenya
GreenMinds	Kenya

GreenPeace Africa	Kenya
Gzone empower	Zambia
Haki Nawiri Afrika	Kenya
Hand	Sudan
Health of Mother Earth Foundation	Nigeria
HOMEF South Sudan	South Sudan
HOPE FOR STREET CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE PEOPLE	Nigeria
Hope for Vulnerable people	Uganda
Hope for youth Development Organisation	Tanzania
HOPE OF AFRICA(HOFA)	Cameroon
HRDS 254	Kenya
Human Is Right	Cameroon
Human Lives Matter	Kenya
Human Power Organisation	Malawi
Human Rights Reporters Ghana (HRRG)	Ghana
Hummingbird Action for Peace and Development	South Sudan
Ile Igoke	United Kingdom
Impact Steward Projects	Zambia
ImPower'd Woman	South Africa
Initiative pour le Développement Communautaire (IDC)	SENEGAL
Inspire Better Education Tanzania	Tanzania
INSPIRIT Creatives NGO	Germany
International Governance Institute IGI-Cameroon	Cameroon and UK
International Human Rights Commission	Angola
International Law and Policy in Africa Network	UK
International Relations Society of Kenya	Kenya
International Service for Human Rights	Switzerland
ITUC-Africa	Togo
Jendagbeni Centre for Social Change Communications	Sierra Leone
Jenga Jumuiya CBO	Kenya
JIF'AFRIK	Sénégal
Jubilee Movement Sheffield	United Kingdom
JUNIL - Jovens Unidos de Luanda	Angola
Justiça Ambiental JA!	Mozambique
Karama Sahara 	United States

KASARANI SOCIAL JUSTICE CENTER	KENYA
Kax	South Africa
KCJC	Kenya
Keep Africa Beautiful Sierra Leone	Sierra Leone
Kenya Youth Federation	Kenya
Kenyan	Kenya
Kgalalelo Education Foundation	South Africa
KHAMANU ROYAL FAMILY	Nigeria
KHORD Foundation	Uganda
Kikandwa Environmental Association	Uganda
Kim-Build Studios	Nigeria
Kingdom of speakers	The Gambia
Kinyago	Kenya
KMPDU	Kenya
Know your rights Gambia	The Gambia
KNOWLEDGE IN BOOKS	Tanzania
Kongamano La Mapinduzi	Kenya
Kwankqubela	South Africa
Lawyers for Human Rights South Africa	South Africa
LCMF gauteng	South Africa
LEGS-Africa	Senegal
LIBERATION MOVEMENT UGANDA	UGANDA
Liberty 4 aa	Uganda
LIFT (Lead Institute for Transformation)	Madagascar
Light Bearers Youth Initiative Trust	Zimbabwe
Lubaga Social Justice Center (L.S.J.C)	Uganda
LUCHA	DRC
LWF Waking the Giant National Level Advocacy in Liberia	Liberia
Magiri helping hearts foundation	UGANDA
Manica Youth Assembly Trust	Zimbabwe
Maokeng Advice And Resource Centre	South Africa
Margaret Akullo Elem	Uganda
Masaka Social Justice Center and Kagugube Youth Development Initiative	Uganda
MICAH	USA



Micah Specialty Foods	United States
MIKEDA Youth Empowerment Organization	Kenya
Milestone Foundation	Zimbabwe
Miwani Social Justice and Information Center	Kenya
MMT	Kenya
Moa	TANZANIA
Motherland youth foundation	Zambia
Mouvement citoyen Filimbi	RD Congo
Mouvement Citoyen LA RUE-RDC	République Démocratique du Congo
Movement for Youth Awareness.	Sierra Leone
MOVEMENT OF THE TRUTH	Nigeria
Movimento Activista Moçambique	Mozambique
MPGUN	South Sudan
Mwamko	Movement/CSO
Namayingo Forum for PLHIV Network	Uganda
NAREC	Kenya
National Human Rights Violations Investigations Commission	Nigeria
National Youth Inclusive Initiative	Nigeria
Network Movement for Youth and Children's Welfare (NMYCW)	Sierra Leone
New Generation Leaders - The Gambia	The Gambia
NGO Light of life	Benin
NHRD	Kenya
NIDAWU	Namibia
Nkanja Community Organization	Uganda
none	South Africa
Northnods Global Services	Nigeria
Núcleo dos Activistas de Cabinda - NAC	Angola
Office of Janjanbureh NAM	The Gambia
Ohanaezendigbo Youths	Nigeria
Organization for justice peace and equity in Africa	Nigeria
Palestine Solidarity Alliance	South Africa
Pan - African Peacemakers Alliance (PAPA Africa)	South Sudan
Pastoralists Alliance for Resilience and Adaptation Across Nations (PARAAN)	Kenya

Pathways Zabalaza Institute	South Africa
People united	Kenya
People's Health Movement Kenya	Kenya
PHM South Africa	South Africa
Piye	Sudan
Policy Alert	Nigeria
Population and Development Initiative	Tanzania
POWER OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT (PYD)	TANZANIA
Powering Young Initiatives	Zambia
Progressive Alliance of Mthwakazi Unions	Matabeleland
Protection International Africa	Africa
Quakers	South Africa
Quest For Growth and Development Foundation	Nigeria
Rarieda social justice Centre	Kenya
Rays of Hope Initiative	Uganda
Rccl	Tanzania
Rebirth Of A Queen	Kenya
Refugee social services	South africa
Rejectfinancebill2024	Kenya
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	World wide
ReSCOPE Net	Zambia
Réseau Media et Droits de l'Homme (RMDH)	Mali
Réseau National des Acteurs du Développement Durable (RENADE)	Guinée
Rf technology	Sudan
Rimi pharmacist Nigerian limited	Nigeria
Rising Winners Youth Empowerment Initiative (RWYEI)	Kenya
ROFFEKE (Rock 'n' Roll Film Festival, Kenya)	Kenya
Safe Home For Migrants Association (SaHMA)	The Gambia
Salam Afrika	Nigeria
SANGWE	Burundi
Sarima Indigenous Peoples Land Forum (SIPLF)	Kenya
Save 4 Development	Uganda
SDGs Ambassador's The Gambia	The Gambia
SDIKenya	Kenya
Sikika Africa Initiatives	Africa

Sinak agro allied ventures	Nigeria
Sistah Sistah foundation	Zambia
sisterhood network	Congo
Skills Centrum Rwenzori	Uganda
SNWOT	Cameroon
Socialist party	Zambia
Society for economic welfare	Nigeria
Solidarity 2020 and Beyond	US/international
Solidarity Action Committee Collective	South Africa
Solidarity Movement	Zambia
SOLIDARITY UGANDA	UGANDA
Solidarity Uganda	Uganda
Solo Sandeng Foundation	The Gambia
South African Jews for a Free Palestine	South Africa
Stand for your right.	Ethiopia
Sudan Of Future Youth and Student Organisation	Sudan
Support Marginalized Community-kenya	Kenya
Sustainable Development Institute	Liberia
Sustainable Development Institute / FOE Liberia	Liberia
TAFA-MADAGASCAR	Madagascar
TAKE IT BACK	Nigeria
TakeltBack	Global
Talent Initiative for Development-TIDE	South Sudan
Talent Tahuf Foundation	Ghana
Tanariver Women Power	CSO
Tanzania Tobacco Control Forum	Tanzania
Tawonga Community Based Organization	Malawi
Tawonga Community Based Organization	Malawi
Tchatokota	Angola
TEABO Movement	East African Community
Teachers For Mahama.	GHANA 🇬🇭
Tekano	South Africa
The Gaia foundation	UK/South Africa
The Global Villages Network Kenya	Nairobi
The needed Revolution in Africa	Nigeria

The Pan African Dialogue Institute	Nigeria
THE PAN-AFRICAN DIALOGUE INSTITUTE	NIGERIA
The Reformers of Africa	Nigeria
The Reformers' Initiative for Development in Africa (Reformers of Africa)	Nigeria
The STEMinist Foundation Ghana	Ghana
Their Voice Must Be Heard	The Gambia
Timiza Dreams	Kenya
Togolese Civil League	Togo
Tunaweza Organization	Tanzania
Twende Shuleni Initiative	Kenya
UBUNTU	Angola
UGanda Eyenkya Development Project Group	UGanda
Unemployed	Uganda
United African youths organization	Ethiopia
United Domestic Workers Of South Africa (UDWOSA)	South Africa
United Front for Youth Development	Cameroon
UP(Unity-Peace) Life - Reconciliation Media	Cameroon
Upenyu Creativity Consultants	Kenya
Vijana	Uganda
VINE YOUTH MINISTRIES	UGANDA East Africa
Vision In Action Africa	Cameroon
Voice Of Inspiring Inclusive Change Equitably	Ghana
Voice of Voiceless Immigration Detainees Yorkshire (VVIDY)	Ivory Coast
Volta Regional Youth Parliament	Ghana
VVIDY (VOICE OF VOICELESS IMMIGRATION DETAINEES-YORKSHIRE)	UK
Waey organization	Sudan
Wahenga Youth Group	Kenya
Wasanii Sanaa	Kenya
We talk - نتكلم	Sudan
WeBuild	Cameroon
Whisper To Humanity	Nigeria
Wildebeest safaris	Kenya
Womankind Worldwide	UK

Women collective Uganda	Uganda
Women collective Uganda	Uganda
Women In Need Organisation-WIN	South Africa
Women Solidarity Initiative Uganda	Uganda
Women's Forum for Human Rights and Democracy	Sierra Leone
WoMin African Alliance	Regional - Southern, East, West Africa
World Friends for Africa Burkina Faso	Burkina Faso
YADI Leaders Inc.	USA
YARD-Liberia	Liberia
Young Entrepreneurs Trust Zimbabwe	Zimbabwe
Young Farmers Initiative	Nigeria
Young Leaders Rethink Initiative	Kenya
Youth 4 parliament Malawi movement	Malawi
Youth Action for Transformation Network	Liberia
Youth Ambassadors for Democracy	Nigeria
Youth Dream Center Sierra Leone	Sierra Leone
Youth for Africa	Kenya
Youth for human rights international Freetown chapter	Sierra Leone
Youth Movement for HIV/AIDS, TB, SRHR and Advocacy in Zambia	Zambia
Youth Reformation and Awareness Centre & Women of Great Minds	Nigeria
Youth4Change	Abuja Nigeria
Youth4Parliament	Zambia
Youths action Zambia	Zambia
Zabalaza Pathways Institute	South Africa
Zambia National Men's Network for Gender and Development	Zambia
Zambia National Students Union	Zambia
Zenith Seed Films	South Africa
Zimbabwe Lawyers for Human Rights	Zimbabwe
جمعية دومنتي	Chad