

Motion conviction

- Considering the Universal Declaration of Human Rights which enshrines freedom of opinion, expression in Article 19 and 20;
- Considering the ILO Convention No. 87 concerning Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right;
- Considering Article 9 of the African Charter of Human Rights;
- Considering Article 9 of the Ivorian constitution;
- Considering the occupation of “Bourse du Travail” by Ivorian police forces the 28th November;
- Considering that this occupation has prevented the holding of the Citizen Forum of civil society and constitutes a flagrant violation of freedom of expression, of assembly.
- Considering that it has seriously undermined the dignity of the different Africans and delegations from Europe and America,

We, the Participants and Citizen of the Abidjan Forum held from 26 to 28 November 2017

- ***Condemn in the strongest terms this intrusion of police at “ Bourse du Travail” to drive out the participants of the Forum,***
- **Take the national and international opinion as witness of the violation of human rights,**
- ***Are calling on all heads of African States and Europe, and in particular His Excellency the President Alassane Ouattara to decide on the act***
- ***Appeal to Heads of State meets EU Africa Summit to consider our demands contained in our final declaration adopted despite the oppression of public opinion.***

Done in Abidjan November 28, 2017

Participants and attendees