

STATEMENT ON JOINT LETTER OF URGENT APPEAL TO THE REPUBLIC OF THE GAMBIA FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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On 14th August 2025, the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child (ACERWC/the Committee) and the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights (ACHPR/the Commission) transmitted a Joint Letter of Appeal to His Excellency Hon. Adama Barrow, President of the Republic of The Gambia, regarding the death of a one-month-old baby girl from complications following Female Genital Mutilation (FGM)

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