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**RE: DEATH NOTIFICATION OF THE UGANDA HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION COMMISSIONER
HON. JOSEPH ETIMA**

Dear Distinguished Member,

Receive greetings from the Secretariat of the Network of African National Human Rights Institutions.

It is with deep regret that the Secretariat wishes to announce the untimely passing on of Commissioner Joseph Etima. Until his demise on June 23, 2018, Mr Etima was a member of the Uganda Human Rights Commission.

He was laid to rest on June 30, 2018 at his rural home in Arua District, North West of Uganda.

We urge you to join the UHRC, the family, friends, and the people of the Republic of Uganda in moaning the fallen human rights hero.

Yours sincerely,

Gilbert Sebuhogo,
Executive Director, NANHRI



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RE: NANHRI CONDOLENCE MESSAGE ON THE DEATH OF COMMISSIONER JOSEPH ETIMA

The Network of African National Human Rights Institutions has learned with deep sorrow the untimely passing on of the Uganda Human Rights Commission Commissioner Joseph Etima, which occurred on June 23, 2018.

Commissioner Etima was a distinguished and gallant human rights promoter, protector and defender, who served the Commission, the people of Uganda, Africa and the world with devotion and selflessness. The desire to see a just society was evident in his service at the Commission after an illustrious career in the security department, where he rose to the rank of the Commissioner General of Prisons. He also served the United Nations in various human rights capacities in Geneva, Vienna, among other places.

And because of this, NANHRI, the UHRC, the people of Republic of Uganda and Africa shall miss his commitment and diligence.

On behalf of the NANHRI membership, I commit that we shall as was our colleague's wish and vision, to score against impunity and all forms of gross human rights violations across the continent.

I pass our sincere and utmost condolences to the family, friends, staff of the UHRC and the people of the Republic of Uganda.

Yours sincerely,

For

Madeleine Nirere
Chairperson, NANHRI.

