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## **Summary of Submission:**

From civil society and non-governmental organizations and all other relevant stakeholders, concerning "systemic racism, violations of international human rights law against Africans and people of African descent by law enforcement agencies, to contribute to accountability and redress,"

## Framework: on the ground account

There is no accountability to the International Decade for People of African Descent 2015-2024 in Canada as it pertains to Canada and the five recommendations made to Canada 2018, I have only seen to date some people of African Descent trying to make changes on the ground with none of the money or resources necessary to improve the lives of people of African descent as it pertains to the mission: Recognition Justice Development.

Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada painted his face black for Halloween and when exposed he apologized to the voters of Canada. OHCHR do you think in your honest opinion that PAD in Canada is going anywhere or having any positive impact in their lives inside or outside of their homes? We also need to keep in mind Xenophobia is a very volatile ingredient in this toxic cocktail mix against PAD. It is business as usual here in Canada for the Colonial masters and their oppressive ways day in and day.

Before covid-19 the impact of systemic anti-black racism was high now it gone through the roof. When young black men get job on construction sites, they are thrown in a den of serpent with constant antagonizing and racists behavior against people of African descent. In most cases they must leave these spaces of employment because there are no protection and legislation to ensure physical and emotional safety for them. What is so sad our youth are supposed to be our future, but our future looks pretty bleak in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

The report published by CBC with "recommendation such as the creation of a federal department of African-Canadian affairs and providing compensation for the impacts of discrimination, such as targeted hiring practices similar to those for Indigenous Peoples". This Federal Institute is also another illusion – no community conversation brining forth this knowledge and awareness.

This is another of the failed recommendation that have made no impacts only through political friendships of governments and their cronies who have no accountability to the PAD or their concerns.

Another recommendation" include apologizing for slavery and to consider making reparations for historical injustices".

Our children and youth are experiencing highest rates of mental unwellness from constant and toxic experience in Canada. The government of Canada will be brining many European immigrants to Canada soon so we know that this act will further silence the voices and pains of PAD in Canada. If the United Nations wanted this global declaration to have any teeth, then they would have ensured that it was accompanied with sanctions like you sanctions countries you and allies claim at times are not playing by the rules.

In the lives of PAD is not of great value to most of the world, we are always push back in the horrible situations we experience everyday but as a people we continue to fight and struggle with many adversities against us! We are in the unhealthiest sectors of all societies, while we are left to figure out our next steps. We are not able to build a future or leave legacies for our children future. They are also losing faith in their parents because they are not seeing any impact for their family in a positive way – we are not seeing means or ways of empowerment to continue of Recognition Justice Development.

In closing, OHCHR know what is going on in Canada and all the member countries PAD reside, in which most exist in poverty with no positive impact or experience. If African people globally are not free, the world will not be free and will continue to be in disarray. *"Until the philosophy which hold one race superior, and the other inferior is finally and permanently discredited and abandon then everywhere will be war, instability, insecurity, hardship and violence!* 

How will agenda 2030 eradicate the injustices people live with on this planet OHCHR?