

## Costs

Where a respondent alludes to costs in its submissions, though the application is ruled inadmissible, the Court must rule on costs. (*Atabong Denis Atemnkeng v The African Union*, application 014/2011, judgment, 15 March 2013, para 42).

Where costs are claimed, the default position is that parties should bear their own costs pursuant to rule 30 of the Rules of Court (*Tanganyika Law Society, The Legal and Human Rights Centre v The United Republic of Tanzania*, application 009/2011; *Reverend Christopher R. Mtikila v The United Republic of Tanzania*, application 011/2011, judgment, 14 June 2013, para 125).