

## PROCEDURE

### *Limitations of Rights*

In the Court's jurisprudence, the restriction of a right enshrined in the African Charter must be such that is necessary in a democratic society, reasonably proportionate to the legitimate aim pursued, must be restricted by a law of general application, and that the Respondent state must show evidence that the restriction serves one of the purposes in article 27(2) of the African Charter. In arriving at this conclusion, the Court adopted the African Commission's jurisprudence in *Media Rights Agenda and others v Nigeria* and *Prince v South Africa (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)*.

