

Resolution on the socio-political crisis in Republic of Guinea

The growing rise of popular voices in favor of democratic alternation in Africa challenges all the world's democrats. In this context, expectations are high at the end of the International Conference on Constitutionalism and the Consolidation of Democracy in Africa, where several former heads of state and practicing Presidents who enjoy the virtues of alternation met in Niger.

The Centrist International Democratic Party (IDC) is watching with great attention the dynamics of the People of Guinea, which continues resolutely to express its attachment to democratic anchoring.

It has been almost two years since the electoral process that led to the communal election of February 4, 2018 has not been completed yet.

Elections for regional councils have not been held and the installation of district and district chiefs is still not effective. Legislatives elections have still not been held and deputies continue to sit despite the expiration of almost a year of their mandate. In parallel, the forces in power are doing their utmost to impose a new constitution with the aim of opening the possibility to a third presidential term.

This unfortunately well-known scenario is accompanied by a ban on demonstrations and attacks on the rights to information.

The IDC places freedoms of expression and association, the right to peaceful demonstrations, respect for electoral calendars and the political alternation at the top of the values of democracy. Restricting these fundamental rights can result in frustration, tension and even the use of violence.

Faced with these risks of violence in the Republic of Guinea, the IDC:

1. Expresses its willingness to support any initiative in conflict prevention, the promotion of fundamental rights and freedoms and the deepening of democratic processes.
2. Urges the President of the Republic of Guinea not to do less than those predecessors of the continent who continue to serve Africa and the whole world after their constitutional mandates.
3. Calls on the Government to respect the constitutional provisions and laws of the Republic.
4. Invites socio-political actors to peaceful actions in accordance with the constitutional provisions for any claim of right.
5. Reaffirms its solidarity and support for the valiant Guinean people in their continued march towards democracy and socio-economic well-being.

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