



Coalition for the International Criminal Court

www.coalitionfortheicc.org

MEDIA CONTACTS:

In New York: Ms. Brigitte Suhr

Director of Regional Programs
Coalition for the ICC
Tel: +1 (646) 465-8540
suhr@coalitionfortheicc.org

Ms Tania Deigni

Regional Programs Assistant
Coalition for the ICC
Tel: +1 (646) 465-8513
deigni@coalitionfortheicc.org

Ms. Linda Gueye

Senior Communications Officer – Francophone Africa
Coalition for the ICC
Tel: +1 (646) 465-8516
gueye@coalitionfortheicc.org

In Cotonou, Benin: M. Francis Dako

Africa Coordinator
Coalition for the ICC
Tel: +229 95 96 36 26
dako@coalitionfortheicc.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
30 January 2012

GLOBAL COALITION CALLS FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF ALIOUNE TINE
Raddho president was arrested by Senegalese authorities over electoral protests

According to the information available to the Coalition for the International Criminal Court (CICC), Mr. Alioune Tine, president of the Rencontre Africaine pour la défense des droits de l'homme (Raddho)—an NGO member of the Coalition—was arrested on 28 January 2012 in Dakar, Senegal following protests at the decision of President Abdoulaye Wade to seek a third term in the upcoming presidential election.

The Coalition for the ICC—a global network of civil society organizations in 150 countries advocating for a fair, effective and independent International Criminal Court—expresses its utmost concern over the arrest and detention of Mr. Tine. The Coalition has over 16 years experience working with Alioune Tine and Raddho in the pursuit justice at the national, regional and international levels.

“I have worked for many years with Alioune Tine and have never known Alioune to advocate violence or harm, but only his steadfast promotion of African and universal human rights and justice,” said William R. Pace, Convenor of the Coalition for the ICC. “The Coalition calls upon Senegal’s authorities to respect Mr. Tine’s legal and human rights under the constitution and thus release him immediately in the absence of any arrest warrant, and to allow him to receive proper legal representation should any charges be brought against him.”

The Coalition for the International Criminal Court is a global network of civil society organizations in over 150 countries working in partnership to strengthen international cooperation with the ICC; ensure that the Court is fair, effective and independent; make justice both visible and universal; and advance stronger national laws that deliver justice to victims of war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide. For more information, visit: www.coalitionfortheicc.org

###