11 November 2026 - Call for Peace, Justice, and Healing in Tanzania: International Civil Society Organizations Stand in Solidarity with TEC and Civil Society

In a shared commitment to human dignity, justice, and reconciliation, we stand in firm solidarity with civil society, human rights advocates, our Maasai partners, the Christian Council of Tanzania, and the Tanzania Episcopal Conference (TEC).

Marking the one-year anniversary of the killings in Tanzania following the 2025 post-election violence, we remember all those affected by the violence. We echo the poignant words of TEC President Bishop Wolfgang Pisa: *"As we mark a year since last year's election, we commemorate our people who were injured, abducted and those who lost their lives. The pain and continued grief and mourning continue to affect our people."*

Guided by our shared commitment to peacebuilding, human dignity, and the pursuit of truth, we respectfully present the following appeals to the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania:

- **Immediate Release of Human Rights Defenders:** We call for the swift release of all detained human rights activists, peaceful protesters, and civil society leaders.
- **Independent Investigation and Accountability:** We request the Tanzanian Government to cooperate with a UN-backed investigation into all reported post-election disappearances, mass killings, and human rights violations.
- **Transparency and Truth:** We urge the Government to publicly release the complete findings of the official Commission of Inquiry to foster healing and restore public trust.
- **Protection of Constitutional Rights:** We remind authorities that peaceful assembly and freedom of expression are core pillars of a just, peaceful, and democratic society.

True peace can only be built upon a foundation of truth, justice, and respect for human rights. We call upon all parties to embrace constructive dialogue and a path of national reconciliation for the good of all Tanzanian citizens.