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The Council of Ministers,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Revised Treaty of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

RECALLING the deep concern expressed by the nineteenth session of the Authority of Heads of State and Government at the increase in drug trafficking and the related criminality;

WELCOMING the adoption, by the Conference of Ministers responsible for coordinating drug control activities, of a political declaration and a five-year regional plan of action to be implemented with effect from 1997;

CONSIDERING the plan of action is designed for the implementation of concerted and coordinated strategies for crime prevention and repression, the treatment and rehabilitation of drug addicts;

AWARE that judicious implementation of the plan of action necessitates allocation of adequate resources;

CONVINCED of the need for the sub-region itself to undertake, in the area of drug and drug-related crime control, actions that can be encouraged and supported by the international community;

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Article 1

Allocation of One hundred and fifty thousand (150,000) Units of Accounts shall be granted to the Regional Fund for the financing of drug control activities.

Article 2

Member States shall give full support to the implementation of the plan of action by underpinning the activities of the inter-ministerial committees on the control of drug abuse.

Article 3

The Executive Secretary shall be responsible for monitoring effectively the implementation of the political declaration and the plan of action and report to the Council of Ministers on the progress made, the difficulties encountered and the measures that should be taken to ensure the realisation of the objectives of the aforementioned declaration and plan.

Article 4

This Regulation shall be published by the Executive Secretariat in the Official Journal of the Community within thirty (30) days of its signature by the Chairman of the Council of Ministers.

It shall also be published within the same time-frame by each Member State in its National *Gazette*.

Done at Abuja, this 26th day of August, 1997

Hon. Ayo Ogunlade

Chairman, for Council of Ministers