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TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT BAMAKO, 15TH -16TH DECEMBER, 2000

DECISION A/DEC.1/12/00 APPOINTING THE JUDGES OF THE COMMUNITY COURT OF JUSTICE

THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT:

MINDFUL of Articles 7, 8 and 9 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Authority of Heads of State and Government and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Protocol A/P.1/7/91 dated 6th July 1991 on the Community Court of Justice;

MINDFUL of Article 3 of the said protocol relating to the composition of the Court and the appointment of the Judges;

ALSO MINDFUL of Article 4 of the Protocol relating to the terms of office of the Judges;

ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS of the extraordinary session of the Council of Ministers held in Bamako, on 24 October, 2000.

DECIDES

Article 1

The following personalities are hereby appointed as judges: of the Community Court of Justice.

- Mr. BENIN Anthony Alfred - Ghana (ii) Mrs. Awa Nana Daboy AMADOU Togo
- (iii) Mrs. Aminata MALLE Mali (iv) El. Hadji Mansour TALL Senégal (v) Mr. Barthelemy TOE Burkina Faso
- (vi) Mrs. DONLI Hansine Napwaniyo -Nigeria
- (vii) Mr. Soumana Dirarou SIDIBE Niger

Article 2

In accordance with Article 4 of the Protocol, the terms of office of the judges shall commence from the date each took his Oath of Office before the Chairman of the Authority, and shall expire at the end of five (5) years and three (3) years respectively in the following order:

- I. Expire at the end of five (5) years
 - (a) Mr. BENIN Anthony Alfred
 - Mrs. Awa Nana Daboya AMADOU (b)
 - Mrs. Donli Hansine Napwaniyo (c)
 - Mr. Soumana Dirarou SIDIBE (d)
- 11. Expire at the end of three (3) years
 - (a) Mrs. Aminata MALLE

- (b) El. Hadji Mansour TALL
- Mr. Barthelemy TOE (c)

Article 3

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

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

H. E. ALPHA OUMAR KONARE CHAIRMAN

FOR THE AUTHORITY

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT BAMAKO, 15th-16th DECEMBER, 2000

DECISION A/DEC. 2/12/00 RELATING TO THE 2001 BUDGET OF THE COMMUNITY PARLIAMENT

THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT:

MINDFUL of Articles 7, 8 and 9, of the Revised Treaty establishing the Authority of Heads of State and Government and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of the Protocol relating to the Community Parliament adopted in Abuja on 6th August, 1994;

MINDFUL of Articles 10 and 18 of the Protocol relating to the allowance to be paid to the Representatives and the budget of the Parliament respectively;

DETERMINED to ensure that the Parliament commences its activities without further delay;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Forty-seventh Session of the Council of Ministers held in Bamako from 9th to12th December 2000:

ARTICLE 1

The January 2001 Session of the Parliament shall prepare its budget for 2001 and thereafter submit same to the Executive Secretary for onward transmission to Council for adoption.

 The Executive Secretariat shall administer this budget which shall be governed by the ECOWAS Financial Regulations and Manual of Accounting Procedures.

ARTICLE 2

Parliament shall submit proposals to the next Session of the Authority regarding application of Article 18 of the Protocol relating to the budget of the Community Parliament and allowances to be paid to Representatives.

ARTICLE 3

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

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER. 2000

H. E. ALPHA OUMAR KONARE CHAIRMAN

FOR THE AUTHORITY

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT BAMAKO, 15th-16th DECEMBER, 2000

DECISION A/DEC.3/12/00 APPROVING THE LIST OF THE COUNCIL OF ELDERS FOR 2001

THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT

MINDFUL of Articles 7, 8 and 9 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Authority of Heads of State and Government and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of the Protocol relating to the Mechanism for conflict prevention, management, resolution, peace-keeping and security (the Protocol) adopted in Lome on 10 December, 1999;

MINDFUL of Articles 15 and 20 of the Protocol relating to the functions of the Executive Secretary and the composition and mandate of the Council of Elders respectively;

CONCERNED by the various conflicts which continue to beset several of our Member States:

DESIRING to implement all the aspects of the Protocol including the establishment of a Council of Elders; members of which will act as mediators, conciliators and facilitators in Member States that are in crisis:

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the meeting of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs held in Bamako on 12th December, 2000.

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

The list of eminent personalities attached to this Decision is hereby approved and shall constitute the list for the constitution of the Council of Elders for the year 2001 for the purposes of implementing the provisions of Article 20 of the protocol relating to the Mechanism for conflict prevention, management, resolution, peace-keeping and security.

ARTICLE 2

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

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

H. E. ALPHA OUMAR KONARE CHAIRMAN

FOR THE AUTHORITY

COUNCIL OF ELDERS

Burkina Faso	-	(1)	Monseigneur Anselme T. Sanou Bishop of Bobo-Dioulasso
		(2)	Mrs. Alimata Salembere Former Minister
Cote d'Ivoire	-	(3)	Mr. Simeon Ake Former Minister of Foreign Affairs and former Ambassador of Cote d'Ivoire to the Holy Sea
	•	(4)	General Ibrahima Coulibaty Former Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of Cote d'Ivoire
The Gambia	-	(5)	Mr. Pa Sallah Jagne
		(6)	Rev. Francis Forbes
		(7)	Alhaji Tafsir Gaye (Imam Ratib)
Ghana	-	(8)	Amb. Theresa Striggner Scott Former Ambassador to France & Italy
		(9)	Justice D. F. Annan Speaker of Ghana Parliament
		(10)	Mr. Patrick Seddoh Ex-Ambassador to France & Netherlands
		(11)	Ambassador Alex Abankwa Ex-Ambassador to Belgium & the European Union
Guinea Bissau	-	(12)	Mr. Calilo Balde Freedom Fighter and Career Diplomat
		(13)	Bishop Jose Camnate
		(14)	El-Hadje Alfa Umaro Djalo
Liberia	-	(15)	Counsellor Lawrence Morgan
		(16)	Mrs. Corina Hilton VAN EE
		(17)	Mrs. Mary Brownell
Mali	-	(18)	Mme Sira Diop
		(19)	M. Daniel Konate
Niger	-	(20)	Amirou Garba Sidikou Secretary General of the Association of Traditional Leaders of Niger
		(21)	Mamane Oumarou Ambassador

- (22) Brah Mahamane
 Agronomist and Ambassador of the
 Republic of Niger in Nigeria, since 1998
- (23) M. Ide Oumarou Foraner Minister, Former Secretary General of OAU

Nigeria

- (24) General Yakubu Gowon Former Head of State of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
- (25) Alhaji Shehu Usman Aliyu Shagari Former President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
- (25) General Abdul Salami Abubakar Former Head of State of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
- (27) Alex Ekwueme Former Vice President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
- (28) Professor (Mrs.) Bolanle Awe University Lecturer
- (29) Alhaji Maitama Sule Former Nigerian Representative to the United Nations
- (30) Ambassador Shehu Malami Former Nigerian Ambassador to the Republic of South Africa

Togo

- (31) Bitokotipou Yagninim Former Minister
- (32) Mr. Ayite Gachin Mevidor Grand Chancelier de l'Ordre du Mono

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT BAMAKO, 15TH -16TH DECEMBER, 2000

DECISION A DEC. 4/12/00 RELATING TO THE DEPLOYMENT OF ECOMOG ALONG THE BORDER AREAS OF GUINEA AND LIBERIA

THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT:

MINDFUL of Articles 7, 8 and 9 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Authority of Heads of State and Government and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Article 7 of the protocol relating to the mechanism for conflict prevention, management; resolution; peace-keeping and security (the protocol) establishing the ECOWAS Cease-fire Monitoring Group (ECOMOG);

MINDFUL of Articles 21 and 22 of the protocol relating to the composition and role of ECOMOG respectively;

MINDFUL of pledges made by Member States to contribute troops that would constitute ECOMOG standby units;

DEPLORING the deteriorating security situation along the border areas of Guinea and Liberia resulting in the massive loss of lives and property as well as the displacement of thousands of people;

DESIRING to monitor the border areas between the two countries to arrest the armed incursions and re-establish peace and security in that area;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the fourth and fifth Ministerial meetings of the Mediation and Security Council held in Abuja on 4th October, 2000 and in Bamako on 12th and 13th December, 2000 respectively;

ON THE PROPOSAL of the meeting of ECOWAS Ministers of Foreign Affairs held in Bamako on 13th December, 2000.

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

The Cease-fire Monitoring Group (ECOMOG) shall be deployed as an interposition force along the border areas of Guinea and Liberia.

ARTICLE 2

The ECOMOG interposition force shall be armed and may need to take measures to ensure the security and free movement of its personnel during the execution of its mandate.

ARTICLE 3

The Executive Secretary shall convene a meeting of the Defence and Security Commission to make appropriate proposals to the Ministerial level of the Mediation and Security Council on the force structure, strength, mandate and its rules of engagement taking into account the report of the Reconnaissance Team.

ARTICLE 4

Member States shall, in accordance with Article 35 of the Protocol, release upon request, ECOMOG Stand-By units pledged.

ARTICLE 5

The United Nations is requested to provide all the necessary support that will make the force operational.

ARTICLE 6

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

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

H. E. ALPHA OUMAR KONARE

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TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT BAMAKO, 15TH-16TH DECEMBER, 2000

DECISION A/DEC. 5/12/00 ON THE FILING OF THE POST OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRE FOR ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT (CED) ALLOCATED TO WEST AFRICA BY THE ACP COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT:

MINDFUL of Articles 7, 8 and 9 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Authority of Heads of State and Government and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of the allocation to the West African Region of the Post of Deputy Director for the Centre for Enterprise Development (CED) by the ACP Council of Ministers at its 71st session held in Brussels, February 2000;

RECOGNISING the greater role the Centre for Enterprise Development (CED) would play in investment promotion and private sector development in ACP countries arising from the Cotonou ACP-EU Agreement;

MINDFUL of the decision of the ECOWAS Member States and sectoral Ministers on ACP-EU matters taken on the sidelines of the 70th session of the ACP Council of Ministers in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic to nominate Dr. Hamed Sow, a Malian national as the West African candidate for the post of Deputy Director CED;

MINDFUL of the re-affirmation by ECOWAS Member States of their decision in relation to the nomination of Dr. Hamed Sow, at their meeting in Brussels from 31st January to 3rd February 2000 at the sidelines of the ACP-EU Ministerial Negotiating Conference, and at Cotonou, in June 2000 in the sidelines of the signing of the new ACP-EU Partnership Agreement;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the meeting of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs, held in Bamako on 12th December, 2000.

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

- That the nomination of Dr. Hamed Sow as the West African Candidate for the post of Deputy Director of the Centre for Enterprise Development (CED) is hereby confirmed as a decision of the Community.
- That the decision of ECOWAS Member States and Sectoral Ministers in this regard must be respected at all levels.
- That the process for the nomination of Dr. Hamed Sow was open and transparent
- 4. That necessary procedures must be set in motion to submit the name of the said Dr. Hamed Sow to the European Union.

ARTICLE 2

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

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

H.E ALPHA OUMAR KONARE CHAIRMAN

FOR THE AUTHORITY

TWENTY - FOURTH SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT BAMAKO, 15TH-16TH DECEMBER, 2000

DECISION A/DEC. 6/12/00 ADOPTING THE STATUTES OF THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL ACTION GROUP AGAINST MONEY LAUNDERING IN WEST AFRICA (GIABA)

THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT,

MINDFUL of Articles 7, 8 and 9 of the revised Treaty establishing the Authority of Heads of States and Government and defining its composition and functions;

CONCERNED by the growing use of the economic and financial systems of the Member States by criminal organisations for the purpose of laundering the proceeds of criminal activity;

CONSCIOUS of the impact on the social and economic development of the Member States of the infiltration into their economic and financial systems by criminal organisations;

ANXIOUS to maintain the harmonious economic development of the Member States and attract legitimate international investment capital;

DETERMINED to apply the Policy Declaration and Plan of Action against Money Laundering adopted at the Twentieth session of the United Nations General Assembly devoted to the control of the global drug problem which was held in New York on 10th June 1998;

TAKING NOTE of the Forty (40) recommendations adopted by the Financial Action Group to combaf capital laundering set up by the Heads of State of the seven (7) most industrialised countries and the President of the European Commission.

CONSIDERING the need to establish in each Member State effective mechanisms and structures for the detection, pursuit, freezing, seizure and confiscation of the proceeds of criminal activity;

CONSIDERING that only concerted and harmonised action on the part of the Member States will enable these objectives to be attained;

DESIROUS of establishing within ECOWAS, a structure to promote the application of the instruments and standards by member States, monitor their implementation status, evaluate the effectiveness of the measures adopted at the sub-regional and national levels and adopt operational guidelines for the said structure.

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Forty-Seventh Session of the Council of Ministers held in Bamako from 9th to 12th December 2000

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

The statutes of the Inter-governmental Action Group against Money Laundering in West Africa attached hereto are hereby adopted.

ARTICLE 2

This Decision shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community by the Executive Secretariat within thirty (30) days of its signature by the Chairman of the Authority it shall also be published by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time-frame.

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

H. E ALPHA OUMAR KONARE CHAIRMAN

FOR THE AUTHORITY

FIRST MINISTERIAL MEETING ON THE INTER-GOV-ERNMENTAL ACTION TASK FORCE AGAINST MONEY LAUNDERING IN AFRICA

Dakar, 3rd November 2000

STATUTES OF THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL ACTION TASK FORCE AGAINST MONEY LAUNDERING IN AFRICA (GIABA)

Considering resolution A/DEC.9/12/99 of the Conference of Heads of State and Government of ECOWAS Member States on the creation of the Inter-Governmental Action Task Force Against Money Laundering in Africa;

The Member States agree to define the present statutes for the Inter-Governmental Action Task Force Against Money Laundering in Africa:

PART 1: PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 1: DEFINITIONS

In the context of these statutes, the definitions below will serve as the standard reference:

Member State(s): The Member States of the Economic Community of West African States and any other State that shall adhere to the current statutes.

ECOWAS: Economic Community of West African States.

Conference: The Conference of Heads of State and Government of ECOWAS Member States.

Council: The Council of Ministers of the Economic Community of West African States.

Executive Secretariat: The Executive Secretariat of the Economic Community of West African States.

Executive Secretary: The Executive Secretary of the Economic Community of West African States.

IDBE: Investment and Development Bank for ECOWAS Member States.

RIBE: Regional Investment Bank for ECOWAS Member States.

RDFE: Regional Development Fund for ECOWAS Member States.

ADB: African Development Bank.

WAMU: West African Monetary and Economic Union

WADB: West African Development Bank.

GIABA: Inter-Governmental Action Task Force Against Money Laundering in Africa.

Committee: The ad-hoc Ministerial Committee stipulated in Article 7 of the current statutes.

Secretariat for Administration: The Secretariat for Administration stipulated in Article 7 of the current statutes.

UNDCP: United Nations Drug Control Programme.

†MF: International Monetary Fund.

INTERPOL: International Criminal Police Organisation.

OMD: World Customs Organisation

COMMONWEALTH: The Commonwealth of Nations.

FATF: Financial Action Task Force.

EU: European Union

ARTICLE 2: OBJECTIVE OF GIABA

- a) The objectives of GIABA are:
 - To protect financial and banking systems and the national economies of Members States from laundered money;

- To Strengthen and intensify the fight against money faundering;
- To reinforce international cooperation among its members.
- b) GIABA's activities are:
 - To combat the laundering of products of crime
 - To contribute in establishing harmonised and concerted measures appropriate for the fight against money laundering.
 - To assess progress made and the efficiencyof measures taken;
 - To solicit other African States to become members of GIABA.
- c) In view of the specific context of the sub-region, the Task Force shall propose recommendations to enable affiliates to implement the Action Plan against Money Laundering, adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in New York on 10th June 1998, the 40 recommendations enacted by FATF, as well as related international conventions and treaties.

PART II: COMPOSITION OF GIABA

ARTICLE 3: MEMBERS

The members of GIABA shall include:

- a) Member States;
- b) All other African States that adhere to the current statutes. The requests for membership shalf be addressed to the Executive Secretariat prior to the Council's recommendation for approval by the Conference.

ARTICLE 4: OBSERVERS

- The status of observer on GIABA shall be attributed to:
 - a) Inter-Governmental organisations that support the objectives and activities of GIABA, and/or provide funding assistance.
 - States from outside the African region that support GIABA's objective and activities, and/or provide funding assistance;
 - African Member States that have submitted a request for membership in GIABA;
 - d) ECOWAS represented by the ECOWAS

Executive Secretary, IDBE, RIBE, RDFE, Central Banks of signatory countries, the Regional Council of the Public Treasury and Financial Markets, WAMU, WADB, the liason committee against money taundering in the CFA Franc zone, ADB, UNDCP, World Bank, IMF, OMD, INTERPOL, FATF, the Commonwealth, and EU.

ii) Any other State or organisation desirous of becoming an observer in GIABA shall submit a request to the President of the Council. Admission as an observer shall be conferred by a majority vote as stipulated in article 8.fff.

ARTICLE 5: SANCTIONS

- i) If a signatory State fails to honour its commitments to GIABA, the Council, upon the recommendation of the Committee, shall adopt one of the following sanctions:
 - Suspend the attribution of any form of support, including support for ongoing projects or programmes of assistance.
 - Refuse to recruit nationals from the defaulting State to international posts in the Secretariat for Administration.
 - Suspend the defaulting State's right to vote.
- ii) If the signatory State persistently fails to honour its obligations, the Conference shall decide to withdraw its membership in GIABA.

ARTICLE 6: WITHDRAWAL OF MEMBERS

- i) Any signatory State desirous of withdrawing from GIABA shall send a written notice of its decision to the Executive Secretary, who shall immediately inform the signatory States. The Member State concerned shall address a copy of the notice to the Administrative Secretary. If this notice is not withdrawn after one year, the signatory State concerned shall cease to be a member of GIABA.
- Any State that decides to withdraw from GIABA shall continue, nonetheless, to honour its commitments during the period of prior notice.

PART III: ORGANISATION AND OPERATION OF GIABA

ARTICLE 7: THE ORGANS OF GIABA

GIABA is composed of the following organs:

- i) the Ad-hoc Ministerial Committee;
- ii) the Secretariat for Administration;

iii) the Technical Commission.

ARTICLE 8: THE AD-HOC MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE

The Committee is GIABA's main decision-making organ.

i) Composition

- The Committee is composed of Ministers of Finance, Ministers of Internal Affairs or Ministers of Security, and Ministers of Justice from each signatory State.
- b) The Committee shall elect one President and two Vice-Presidents each year. If the President is unavailable for business, he shall be replaced by one of the Vice-Presidents.

ii) Attributions

The Committee shall:

- a) approve the annual report and the financial report;
- b) approve the annual work plan;
- approve the annual budget;
- d) appoint the Administrative Secretary and Deputy Administra tive Secretary of GIABA
- e) appoint an Accountant and an external Auditor;
- adopt self-assessment and mutual assessment reports;
- make recommendations on the admission of new members and decisions on the admission of observers;
- decide on measures for formal notice to, and suspension of States that fail to honour their commitments;
- propose amendments to the statutes of GIABA as need be.

iii) Committee meetings, quorum and decisions

- The Committee shall hold a meeting at least once a year,
- b) The Committee's deliberations shall be considered valid if at least half of its members are present or represented. A two-thirds majority quorum is needed for the Committee's decisions to be considered valid;

c) Observers shall participate in the Committee's deliberation, including those concerning discussions on mutual assessments, unless one of the signatory States is opposed to this They shall not have the right to vote.

ARTICLE 9: THE SECRETARIAT FOR ADMINISTRATION

i) Composition

The Secretariat for Administration is composed of the Administrative Secretary, the Deputy Administrative Secretary and the necessary support staff.

ii) Nomination

- The Committee, on the proposal of the Technical Commission, shall appoint the Administrative Secretary and Deputy Administrative Secretary. They shall be appointed for a four-year renewable term.
- b) The Administrative Secretary shall appoint any other staff required for the operation of the Secretariat for Administration. In the course of these appointments, the Administrative Secretary shall take due account of efficiency and technical skills, as well as the equitable geographic distribution of posts among the nationals of all Member States.

iii) Attributions

The Secretariat for Administration shall:

- implement the decisions of the Committee jointly with the ECOWAS Executive Secretariat;
- draft the annual report that the Executive Secretary submits to the Council;
- implement the work plan prepared each year;
- d) prepare the draft budget for adoption by the Committee and ensure its executions;
- e) prepare questionnaires on self-assessment and analyse the response;
- f) prepare mutual assessment missions with oversight from the Committee;
- g) identify, in collaboration with the Executive Secretariat, the needs for technical assistance at State level and facilitate the implementation of such assistance;

- ensure collaboration with the Executive Secretariat, liason with signatory States and other regional groups, international organisations and Third World countries on issues relevant to its areas of competence;
- perform any other task assigned to it by the President of the Committee.

ARTICLE 10: THE TECHNICAL COMMISSION

i) Composition

- The Technical Commission shall be composed of experts from the Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Internal Affairs or Ministry of Security, and the Ministry of Justice from Member States.
- b) The Coordinator of the national committee for the fight against drugs in each Member State shall be a de jure member of the Technical Commission.
- c) The Administrative Secretary shall call meetings of the Technical Commission and propose the agenda. While awaiting the appointment of the Administrative Secretary, the ECOWAS Executive Secretary shall call the meetings of the Technical Commission. The Commission shall meet as often as is deemed necessary.
- An expert designated from the incumbent chair country shall preside the Technical Commission.

ii) Attributions

- The Technical Commission shall make proposals, through the Administrative Secretary, to the Committee on measures for fighting against money laundering.
- b) The Commission shall also perform any other tasks assigned to it by the Committee.

PART IV: OTHER PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 11: APPLICATION OF MEASURES DECIDED BY GIABA

The signatory States shall undertake to put in place legislative and regulatory measures as well as the appropriate structures for implementing the decisions of the Committee and notable the implementation of financial information units.

ARTICLE 12: SELF-ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

The signatory States shall undertake to conduct a self-

assessment exercise on the progress made in implementing measures taken by the Committee in the form of an evaluation questionnaire designed by the Administrative Secretary.

ARTICLE 13: MUTUAL ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

The signatory States shall undertake to subject themselves to a mutual assessment process on the conformity of States with international standards for preventing money laundering and the measures taken by the Committee. The Committee shall chair the assessment process.

ARTICLE 14: FINANCING OF GIABA

GIABA's resources shall be constituted by:

- a) a percentage of resources from Community Contributions determined by the Council;
- annual contributions made by signatory States based on coefficients determined by the Council;
- all other voluntary contributions made notably by third party States, international and inter-governmental organisations, or Central Banks of signatory States that support GIABA's activities;
- d) any other funding approval by the committee.

ARTICLE 15: GIABA HEADQUARTERS

The decision on the location of GIABA headquarters shall be made by the Conference.

PART V: FINAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 16: AMENDMENTS AND REVISION

- All signatory States can submit proposals for the amendment or revision of the current Statutes.
- ii) All proposals shall be submitted to the Executive Secretary, who shall communicate them to Member State thirty (30) days at most after reception. The Conference shall examine the proposals for amendment or revision at the end of the three-month period accorded to signatory States.
- iii) The amendments or revisions shall be adopted by the Conference upon the recommendation of the Council. They shall come into force one month after adoption.

ARTICLE 17: GIABA WORKING LANGUAGES

GIABA working languages shall be English, French and Portuguese.

ARTICLE 18: APPLICATION

The present statutes shall come into force from the date of signatory of the Conference Resolution adopting them.

TWENTY FOURTH SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT BAMAKO, 15TH -16TH DECEMBER 2000

DECISION A/DEC.7/12/00 ADOPTING A NEW ECOWAS INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION POLICY

THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT.

MINDFUL of Articles 7, 8, and 9 of the Treaty establishing the Authority of Heads of State and Government and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Articles 65 and 66 of the Treaty relating to strategies for informing and educating the citizens of Member States about the policies and activities of the Community and its Institutions;

MINDFUL of Decision C/DEC. 1/5/90 relating to the formulation and implementation of an ECOWAS Information and communication Policy and Programme;

MINDFUL of Decision C/DEC.9/12/94 adopting an ECOWAS Priority Programme of Action on Information;

CONSIDERING that these programmes and other approved policies relating to information have remained largely unimplemented by Member States;

NOTING that one of the major obstacles to ECOWAS integration efforts is the lack of knowledge of the grassroot populations of Member States of ECOWAS objectives, policies, programmes and activities;

DESIRING to formulate a new information and communication policy that would enhance the dissemination of information on ECOWAS objectives and achievements, facilitate the enlightenment of the West African citizens about their Organisation so as to consolidate their sense of belonging to the Community and gear them towards active participation in the integration process;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Meeting of ECOWAS Ministers of Information and Communication held in Bamako on 2nd and 3rd October 2000;

DECIDES

ABROGATION

Decision C./DEC.1/5/90 relating to the formulation and implementation of an ECOWAS Information Policy and Programme and Decision C/DEC.9/12/94 adopting an ECOWAS Priority Programme of Action on Information are hereby repealed and replaced with the following new information and communication policy.

NEW INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION POLICY

ARTICLE 1: Adoption

The new Information and Communication Policy, as stipulated in this Decision is hereby adopted.

ARTICLE 2: Reports and Implementation Plan

- Each Member State shall submit a yearly report, through the Executive Secretary, to the session of the Council preceding the Summit of Heads of State and Government, indicating the actions taken within the framework of this new policy.
- The Executive Secretariat shall monitor the implementation of this policy and shall also submit periodic reports on actions taken at the Community level.
- An implementation plan for these activities will be developed by the Executive Secretariat and sent to Member States.

ARTICLE 3: Department of Information

- The staff strength in the Department of Information shall be increased so that it can accomplish its assignment and oversee the implementation and follow-up on the activities outlined in the new information and Communication Policy.
- Information officers employed by the Secretariat shall be provided with modern communication equipment to facilitate new technology uses.

ARTICLE 4: Technical Information and Communication Commission

 A technical information and communication commission shall be established to consider and proffer solutions to the problems facing the sector.

ARTICLE 5: Information and Documentation Centres

In collaboration with Member States, ECOWAS Information/Documentation Centres shall be established in each member country to facilitate access to information on the Community by students, researchers, journalists and the general public. These Centres shall be set-up in collaboration with each Member State. The Secretariat shall recruit a journalist in each Member.

State to run each Centre. The journalist shall have responsibility for public communication and media relations and promote media coverage of ECOWAS and its activities in the member country.

 Each Member State shall provide a furnished office for the Centre as part of its contributions to the Centres operations and development.

ARTICLE 6: Training and Publications

- The Secretariat shall train journalists in the subregion on topics related to economic integration, peace-making, peace-building and on the use of new information technologies through the organisation of seminars and/or award of scholarships.
- Intellectuals in the sub-region shall be involved on an ad-hoc basis, in the information and enlightenment campaigns.
- A well-equipped unit shall be set up within the Secretariat to produce and print ECOWAS publications.

The carrying of advertisements shall be allowed in ECOWAS publications to improve the stality and frequency of the publications.

ARTICLE 7: ECOWAS Radio and Tele vision Station

- Member States shall promote and support the establishment of an ECOWAS Radio/Television station. In the interim, the Secretariat shall set up a studio for radio and television production in the ECOWAS headquarters. The programmes to be produced on ECOWAS activities shall be broadcast in all Member States.
- Member States shall organise enlightenment campaigns on ECOWAS achievements in their media.
- Member States shall explore the possibility of launching a television broadcast satellite for the West African region. This project shall be submitted to the Ministers of Telecommunications for consideration within the framework of INTELCOM II programme.

ARTICLE 8: Cooperation with other Media organisations

- National and sub-regional integration institutions shall be involved in the implementation of ECOWAS Community programmes.
- Cooperation agreements with existing media organisations in Africa, such as PANA, URTNA and the PANOS Institute shall be concluded to enable ECOWAS use their production and broadcasting networks.
- Joint production initiatives shall be co-financed by the Secretariat and media organisations in order to strengthen cooperation in the area of regional integration among the radio and television stations and the print media, both private and public.

- National and private newspapers shall co-produce and exchange feature articles on the many facets of the West African reality.
- 5. Collaboration between ECOWAS and the Press Associations' of Member States, media-related groups and press centres in each country shall be encouraged. In countries where these structures are non-existent, the government shall encourage their establishment in appreciation of their role as a sensitisation mechanism.
- 6. News agencies of Member States, regional and continental news agencies such as PANA, WANAD, CIERRO (Inter-state Centre for Rural Radio Development Research, Ouagadougou), PANOS Institute (West Africa) and the media in the sub-region shall increase their coverage of the political and socio-economic realities of West Africa.

ARTICLE 9: Role of Youth, Women and Civil Society

- The Secretariat and Member States shall promote the role of women in the information and communication sector by facilitating their access to training and positions of responsibility in the media.
- In view of their importance, the active involvement of civil society and personalities from various sectors (labour unions, universities, sports organisations, religious bodies, youth, women movements) in the integration process and ECOWAS activities shall be promoted.
- Political parties and other elected officials shall be encouraged to participate in the integration process and ECOWAS activities, in view of their role in national affairs.
- Member States should encourage student exchange programmes in order to inculcate the Community spirit among youths and school children;
- Member States undertake to adopt and strengthen the teaching of ECOWAS affairs in the curricula of educational institutions, including mass literacy programmes;
- 6. An annual "Regional Forum" shall be organised to bring together regional and international opinion leaders, journalists, development experts, the business communities, professional associations, etc. to debate on issues of interest to the Community, for the promotion and development of the West African region and reinforcement of democracy.

ARTICLE 10: Media Funds

 Member States shall establish a "National Media Fund on Regional Integration" to improve and increase reporting of the West African regional integration process.

 A Regional Media Trust Fund shall also be set up to encourage the reporting and broadcasting of regional integration issues within the Community and to develop co-production and programme exchange schemes, training and exchange of information on technical matters. The initial funding shall be provided by the Executive Secretariat.

ARTICLE 11: Display of ECOWAS Flag

The ECOWAS Flag shall be displayed alongside the national flags of Member States in any appropriate location, especially on public buildings and in the offices of the Heads of State, the Ministers responsible for Integration and Foreign Affairs. This would be a symbol of commitment to ECOWAS. For the sake of uniformity, samples of the flag shall be distributed to Member States by the Secretariat for reproduction.

ARTICLE 12; ECOWAS Award and Press Card.

- An ECOWAS Award for Excellence will be instituted to reward the excellent coverage of integration matters. The award shall be in three categories-radio, television and print.
- 2. A meritorious award to be known as The ECOWAS Order of Merit shall be instituted for all West African citizens who have distinguished themselves in various fields and have made outstanding contributions to the development of the ECOWAS region. Subsequently, such prominent West African citizens shall be appointed ECOWAS Goodwill Ambassadors who will further the cause of integration both within and outside the Community.
- The ECOWAS Press Card already instituted shall be issued to recognised and qualified journalists selected in each Member State by the West African Journalists Association or any other recognised national media organisations.

ARTICLE 13; ECOWAS Anniversary

During the week of the anniversary of the founding of ECOWAS, ECOWAS Day shall be celebrated in each Member State in the form of:

a. the broadcast of a message from the Chairman of the Authority adapted by each Head of State to suit his country. The message, which will be drafted by the Executive Secretary, shall include a status report of the Organisation and shall revolve around a central theme;

- b seminars, conferences and round table discussions on radio and TV, newspaper feature articles on ECOWAS objectives and activities of Member States;
- designing, printing and sale of commemorative postage stamps depicting images of Community ideals;
- d. cultural, musical and film shows on the realities of our Community and its Member States;
- e. sports competition between Member States:
- quizzes, essays, and singing competitions, debates on ECOWAS and its Member States.
- g. posters, stickers, billboards, jingles and slogans about ECOWAS and its activities.
- rallies, mobilisation campaigns and formation of national and regional socioprofessional associations that would pursue programmes aimed at promoting their own interests within an integrated Community;
- any other action a Member State may consider befitting.

ARTICLE 14: Publication

This Decision 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 Authority. It shall also be published by each Member State in its National Gazzette within the same time frame.

DONE AT BAMAKO THIS 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2000

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H. E ALPHA OUMAR KONARE CHAIRMAN FOR THE AUTHORITY

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATES AND GOVERNMENT BAMAKO, 15TH-16TH DECEMBER, 2000

DECISION A/DEC.8/12/00 GRANTING STATUS OF OBSERVER TO THE WORLD TRADE CENTRES AS-SOCIATION

THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT.

MINDFUL of Articles 7, 8, and 9 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Authority of Heads of State and Government and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Article 61 of the Revised Treaty by which Member States undertake to mobilise the various sections of the population in order to ensure their effective participation and involvement in the activities of the Community.

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC 9/8/94 dated 6th August, 1994 of the Authority of Heads of State and Government establishing Regulations for the grant to Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) the status of Observer within the Institutions of the Community;

CONSIDERING the need to encourage non-partisan organisations whose aim is to promote increased trade in the sub-region;

AWARE of the role played by the World Trade Centres Association in promoting trade in Africa;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the forty-seventh session of the Council of Ministers held in Barnako from 9th to 12th December, 2000;

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

The World Trade Centres Association is hereby granted within the Institutions of the Economic Community of West African States, the status of observer in category "A".

ARTICLE 2

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

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

H. E ALPHA OUMAR KONARE CHAIRMAN

FOR THE AUTHORITY

TWENTY - FOURTH SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT BAMAKO, 15TH-16TH DECEMBER, 2000

DECISION A/DEC. 9/12/00 GRANTING THE STATUS OF OBSERVER TO THE AFRICAN BUSINESS ROUND TABLE

THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT.

MINDFUL of Article 7, 8 and 9 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Authority of Heads of State and Government and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Article 61 of the Revised Treaty by which Member States undertake to mobilise the various sections of the population in order to ensure their effective participation and involvement in the activities of the Community;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.9/8/94 dated 6 August 1994 of the Authority of Heads of States and Government establishing Regulations for the grant of Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) the Status of Observer within the Institutions of the Community;

CONSIDERING the need to promote and encourage the private sector;

AWARE of the role that the African Business Round Table is playing to accelerate the West African integration process;

CONSIDERING Recommendation C/REC.1/12/2000 of the forty-seventh session of the Council of Ministers held in Bamako from 9th to 12th December, 2000;

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

The African Business Round Table is hereby granted the Status of observer in category "A" within the Institution of the Economic Community of West African States.

ARTICLE 2

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

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

H. E ALPHA OUMAR KONARE CHAIRMAN

FOR THE AUTHORITY

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT BAMAKO, 15TH-16TH DECEMBER 2000

DECISION A/DEC. 10/12/00 GRANTING THE STATUS OF OBSERVER TO PANOS INSTITUTE WEST AFRICA (PIWA)

THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT:

MINDFUL of Article 7, 8 and 9 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Authority of Heads of State and Government and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Article 61 of the Treaty by which Member States undertake to mobilise the various sections of the population in order to ensure their effective participation and involvement in the activities for the Community;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.9/8/94 dated 6 August, 1994 establishing Regulations for granting to Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) the status of observer within the Institutions of the Community;

CONSIDERING the need to encourage non-partisan organisations that can contribute to the emergence of meaningful public opinion on issues concerning the Community;

MINDFUL of the role of PANOS Institute West Africa in the field of information, communication, establishment of culture of democracy, peace and citizenship, and its mission to contribute to the development of the sub-region;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Forty-seventh Session of the Council of Ministers held in Bamako from 9th to 12th December, 2000:

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

The PANOS Institute West Africa (PIWA) is hereby granted the status of observer in Category "A" within the Institutions of the Economic Community of West African States.

ARTICLE 2

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

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

H. E ALPHA OUMAR KONARE

CHAIRMAN FOR THE AUTHORITY TWENTY FOURTH SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT BAMAKO, 15TH-16TH DECEMBER 2000

DECISION A/DEC. 11/12/00 ADOPTING A CONTROL STRATEGY ON HIV/AIDS IN WEST AFRICA

THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT,

MINDFUL of Articles 7, 8 and 9 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Authority of Heads of State and Government and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of the Protocol on the establishment of the West African Health Organisation adopted in Abuja on 9 July, 1987;

MINDFUL of the Resolutions of the United Nations Security Council, the World Health Organisation, the Regional Committee of the World Health Organisation for Africa, and the Conference of African Ministers on HIV/AIDS held in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, which reconfirmed the uphill task in combating HIV/AIDS in sub-Saharan Africa, and also reconfirmed the important role the health sector has to play to contain the spread of HIV and its negative socio-economic effects on individuals, communities and nations;

RECOGNISING that the HIV/AIDS scourge has become the major cause of mortality in black Africa causing economic devastation and negatively affecting progress, development and health indicators;

AWARE that the deteriorating HIV/AIDS situation in one of the main causes of morbidity in the West African sub-region, with an inadmissible death rate and suffering;

RECOGNISING that the increasing spread of HIV/AIDS amongst women has brought on a massive increase in neonate infection through mother-child infection, and has also reduced or even reversed the improvement hitherto observed in child mortality rates;

RECALLING that there is a dramatic rise in the rate of infection amongs the youth in those countries where the disease has been spreading most rapidly;

RECOGNISING that civil wars and economic chaos have caused the type of migrations that leads to dislocation of families and have promoted sexually transmitted diseases such as HIV/AIDS;

RECOGNISING that HIV/AIDS has been monopolising an increasingly greater share of health care resources;

RECALLING that the heavy burden of foreign debts has made it impossible to find the necessary resources to meet the major challenges in the sub-region, thereby making it difficult to address epidemics such as HIV/AIDS;

RECOGNISING that sustained political commitment is

essential in implementing decisive, functional, multi-sectoral programmes for HIV/AIDS control;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Forty-seventh Session of the Council of Ministers held in Barnako from 9th to 12th December, 2000:

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

Member States shall:

- Show political commitment by introducing a mechanism for the effective implementation of programmes and provide budgetary resources for HIV/AIDS control;
- (ii) create collective resistance to HIV/AIDS within the Community and encourage change in habits through centralised action targeting like youth;
- (iii) develop and adopt culturally acceptable HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment policies and involve the communities in the preparation of such strategies;
- empower women to fight harmful traditional and cultural sexual reproduction practices which expose them to HIV/AIDS;
- ensure that HIV/AIDS victims are not stripped of their fundamental human rights, that they enjoy confidentiality, and that they are not discriminated against nor refused the rights to personal development and progress;
- (iv) promote peace in all countries of the West Africa sub-region, in order to reduce the negative effects of war on health infrastructure and on the population.

ARTICLE 2

The West African Heatth Organisation shall:

- support Member States in preparing and implementing their HIV/AIDS control plan of action and follow up;
- ii. monitor the development of the HIV/AIDS scourge in the sub-region and design appropriate strategies for HIV/AIDS prevention in the sub-region;
- encourage easy access to anti-retro viral drugs at affordable prices;
- iv. seek international support for the supply to each ECOWAS Member State of equipment for the home treatment of HIV/AIDS;
- support the development of HIV/AIDS vaccines in the Sub-Regional Research Centres;

- vi. improve health systems infrastructure and take necessary steps to ensure that Member States have the required human resources for the manipulation of uncontaminated blood and blood products;
- vii. ensure that experience in 'good practice' is shared amongst Member States.

ARTICLE 3

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

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

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H. E ALPHA OUMAR KONARE CHAIRMAN FOR THE AUTHORITY

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT BAMAKO, 15TH-16TH DECEMBER, 2000

DECISION A/DEC. 12/12/00 ADOPTING THE SUB-REGIONAL ACTION PLAN FOR INTEGRATED MANAGEMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT

MINDFUL of Articles 7, 8, and 9 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Authority of Heads of State and Government and defining its composition and functions;

NOTING the resolutions of the Rio 1992 World Environment Summit, especially Agenda 21;

MINDFUL of the report of the meeting of the Ministerial Monitoring Committee, held in March 2000, and the Ouagadougou Declaration of the Ministers for Water Resouces;

AWARE of the importance of water to any human activity and form of life:

AWARE also that water is a common resource and vital for all of us;

AWARE of the increasing demand for water whereas global reserves are dwindling;

CONCERNED about the worldwide degradation of the environment and its negative repercussions on availability of water resources and its accessibility to the people in general and West Africans in particular;

DESIRING to work towards integrated water resource management in the sub-region;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Forty-Seventh Session of the Council of Ministers, held in Bamako, from 9th to 12th December, 2000;

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1: Adoption of sub-regional Action Plan for Integrated Management of Water Resources

The attached sub-regional Action Plan for Intergrated Management of Water Resources is hereby adopted.

ARTICLE 2: Objectives

The main objectives of the Action Plan are set out as follows:

- Support to Member States in the implementation of their national water resource management action plans;
- establishment of a regional co-operation framework for integrated water resource management;
- harmonisation of policies and legislation on water resources, and exchange of experiences;
- reactivation of fora for consultation between riparian countries on coordinated management of shared or trans-border water basins;
- strengthening of partnership with all stakeholders in integrated water resource management;
- assistance to mobilise financial resources for the implementation of national and sub-regional projects;
- vii) harmonisation of national, sub-regional and international action plans for integrated management of water resources.

ARTIÇLE3: Strategy

The sub-Regional Action Plan for Integrated Management of Water Resources shall be elaborated, implemented, monitored and reviewed with the participation of the various stakeholders in Member States, government agencies, professional water sector, inter-governmental and non-governmental organisations and the private sector.

ARTICLE 4: Co-ordination Mechanism

A Ministerial Monitoring Committee is hereby established to define guidelines and monitor implementation of the sub-Regional Action Plan for Integrated Management of Water Resources.

It shall be assisted by a Technical Advisory Committee comprising experts and national co-ordination focal points, national water sector professionals, representatives of river basin management agencies, representatives of inter-governmental and non-governmental organisations, and partners in development.

ARTICLE 5: Co-ordination Unit

A sub-regional unit to co-ordinate and oversee implementation of the Ministerial Monitoring Committee's decisions and the sub-regional action plan is hereby established. It shall be set up within the ECOWAS Executive Secretariat and placed under the supervision of the Department of Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment.

ARTICLE 6: Publication

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

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

H. E ALPHA OUMAR KONARE CHAIRMAN

FOR THE AUTHORITY

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT BAMAKO, 15TH-16TH DECEMBER, 2000

DECISION A/DEC. 13/12/00 RELATING TO THE GRANT OF STATUS OF SPECIALISED INSTITUTION WITHIN ECOWAS TO THE CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS OF YOUTH AND SPORTS

THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT:

MINDFUL of Articles 7, 8 and 9 of the Treaty establishing the Authority of Heads of States and Government and defining its composition and functions;

CONSIDERING that, numerically, the youth constitute the most important segment of the West African population;

CONSIDERING also that sporting activities are an important factor in the integration of our peoples and that they are practised essentially by the youth;

DESIROUS of organising the youth, with a view to ensuring that they participate effectively and in a responsible manner in the integration process;

DETERMINED to ensure that the Conference of Ministers of Youth and Sports plays an active role in this regard;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Conference of Minsters of Youth and Sports of Member States held in Ouagadougou from 31st August to 1st September 2000.

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

The Conference of Ministers of Youth and Sports is hereby granted the status of a specialised institution within ECOWAS.

ARTICLE 2

This decision shall be published by the ECOWAS Executive Secretariat in the Official Journal of the Community within thirty (30) days of its signature. It shall also be published by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time-frame.

DONE AT BAMAKO, ON 16TH DECEMBER, 2000

H. E ALPHA OUMAR KONARE CHAIRMAN

FOR THE AUTHORITY

FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT BAMAKO, 15TH-16TH DECEMBER, 2000

REGULATION C/REG.1/12/00 APPOINTING THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY (POLITICAL AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND SECURITY)

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

MINDFUL of Article 10, 11 and 12 of the Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions:

MINDFUL of Article 17 and 18 of the Treaty relating to appointments of statutory officers in the Executive Secretariat.

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.12/10/98 creating the post of Deputy Executive Secretary for Political Affairs, Defence and Security in the Executive Secretariat;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.3/7/91 on the selection and evaluation of the performance of Statutory Appointees of the Institutions of the Community.

MINDFUL of Decision CAHSG.4/7/2000 of the Chairman of Authority allocating the post of Deputy Executive Secretary for Political Affairs, Defence and Security, to the Republic of Mali;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Fourth meeting of the Ad-hoc Ministerial Committee on the Selection and Evaluation of Statutory Appointees held in Abuja from 21st to 23rd November, 2000;

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

Gen. CHEIKH O. DIARRA is hereby appointed as the Deputy Executive Secretary for Political Affairs, Defence and Security in the Executive Secretariat for a period of four (4) years with effect from the date he assumes duty.

ARTICLE 2

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 by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time-frame.

DONEAT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

MR. BACARI KONE CHAIRMAN

FOR THE COUNCIL

FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BAMAKO, 15TH-16TH DECEMBER, 2000

REGULATION C/REG. 2/12/00 APPOINTING THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY (ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE)

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Treaty establishing the Council of Minsters and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Articles 17 and 18 of the Treaty relating to appointments of statutory officers in the Executive Secretariat;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.3/7/91 on the selection and evaluation of the performance of Statutory Appointees of the Institutions of the Community.

MINDFUL of Decision CAHSG.4/7/2000 of the Chairman of Authority allocating the post of Deputy Executive Secretary (Administration and Finance) to the Republic of Niger;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Fourth meeting of the Ad-hoc Ministerial Committee on the Selection and Evaluation of Statutory Appointees held in Abuja on 21st to 23rd November, 2000;

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

MR. SEYBOU GATI is hereby appointed as the Deputy Executive Secretary for Administration and Finance in the Executive Secretariat for a period of four (4) years with effect from the date he assumes duty.

ARTICLE 2

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 by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time-frame.

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

MR. BACARI KONE CHAIRMAN

FOR THE COUNCIL

FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BAMAKO, 9TH-12TH DECEMBER 2000

REGULATION CIREG. 3/12/00 APPOINTING THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY(INTEGRATION PROGRAMMES)

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Treaty establishing the Council of Minsters and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Articles 17 and 18 of the Treaty relating to appointments of statutory officers in the Executive Secretariat;

MINDFUL of Regulation C/REG.9/12/99 approving the restructuring of the Executive Secretariat and creating the statutory post of Deputy Executive Secretary (Integration Programmes);

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.3/7/91 on the selection and evaluation of the performance of Statutory Appointees of the Institutions of the Community;

MINDFUL of Decision CAHSG.4/7/2000 of the Chairman of Authority allocating the post of Deputy Executive Secretary (Integration Programmes) to the Federal Republic of Nigeria;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Fourth meeting of the Ad-hoc Ministerial Committee on the Selection and Evaluation of Statutory Appointees held in Abuja from 21st to 23rd November, 2000;

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

Dr. (Mrs.) OLUREMI ARIBISALA is hereby appointed as the Deputy Executive Secretary (Integration Programmes) in the Executive Secretariat for a period of four (4) years with effect from the date she assumes duty.

ARTICLE 2

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 by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time-frame.

DONEAT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

MR. BACARI KONE CHAIRMAN

FOR THE COUNCIL

FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BAMAKO, 9TH-12TH DECEMBER 2000

REGULATION C/REG 4/12/00 APPOINTING THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY (POLICY HARMONISATION)

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Articles 17 and 18 of the Treaty relating to appointments of statutory officers in the Executive Secretariat;

MINDFUL of Regulations C/REG.9/12/99 approving the restructuring of the Executive Secretariat and creating the statutory post of Deputy Executive Secretary (Policy Harmonisation);

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC 3/7/91 on the selection and evaluation of the performance of Statutory Appointees of the Institutions of the Community.

MINDFUL of Decision CAHSG.4/7/2000 of the Chairman of Authority allocating the post of Deputy Executive Secretary for Policy Harmonisation to the Republic of Senegal; ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Fourth meeting of the Ad-hoc Ministerial Committe on the Selection and Evaluation of Statutory Appointees held in Abuja from 21st to 23rd November, 2000;

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

Mr. MAME COR SENE is hereby appointed as the Deputy Executive Secretary (Policy Harmonisation) in the Executive Secretariat for a period of four (4) years with effect from the date he assumes duty

ARTICLE 2

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 by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time-frame.

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

MR. BACARI KONE CHAIRMAN FOR THE COUNCIL FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BAMAKO, 9TH-12TH DECEMBER, 2000

REGULATION C/REG. 5/12/00 APPOINTING THE PRESIDENT, ECOWAS BANK FOR INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT (EBID)

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Articles 17 and 18 of the Treaty and Article 28 of the Protocol relating to the ECOWAS Fund for Cooperation, Compensation and Development, relating to the appointments of statutory officers including those of the ECOWAS Fund;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.4/12/99 relating to the transformation of the ECOWAS Fund into a Regional Holding Company called the "ECOWAS Bank for Investment and Development" (EBID), and the establishment of its two subsidiaries, namely, the "ECOWAS Regional Investment Bank" (ERIB) and the "ECOWAS Regional Development Fund" (ERDF);

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.3/7/91 on the selection and evaluation of the performances of Statutory Appointees of the Institutions of the Community.

MtNDFUL of Decision CAHSG.4/7/2000 of the Chairman of Authority allocating the post of Managing Director, ECOWAS Bank for Investment and Development (EBID) to the Republic of Ghana:

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Fourth meeting of the Ad-hoc Ministerial Committee on the Selection and Evaluation of Statutory Appointees held in Abuja from 21st to 23rd November, 2000;

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ARTICLE 1

MR. GEORGE StPA-ADJAH YANKEY is hereby appointed the Managing Director, ECOWAS Bank for Investment and Development (EBID) for a period of four (4) years with effect from the date he assumes duty.

ARTICLE 2

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 by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time-frame

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

MR. BACARI KONE CHAIRMAN FOR THE COUNCIL

FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
BAMAKO, 9TH-12TH DECEMBER, 2000

REGULATION C/REG. 6/12/00 APPOINTING THE MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE ECOWAS REGIONAL INVESTMENT BANK (ERIB)

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Articles 17 and 18 of the Treaty and Article 28 of the Protocol relating to the ECOWAS Fund for Cooperation, Compensation and Development, relating to appointments of statutory officers including those of the ECOWAS Fund;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.4/12/99 retating to the transformation of the ECOWAS Fund into a Regional Holding Company called the ECOWAS Bank for Investment and Development (EBID) and the establishment of its two subsidiaries, namely, the ECOWAS Regional Investment Bank (ERIB) and the ECOWAS Regional Development Fund (ERDF);

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.3/7/91 on the selection and evaluation of the performance of Statutory Appointees of the Institutions of the Community.

MINDFUL of Decision CAHSG.4/7/2000 of the Chairman of Authority allocating the post of Managing Director, ECOWAS Regional Investment Bank (ERIB) to the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Fourth meeting of the Ad-hoc Ministerial Committee on the Selection and Evaluation of Statutory Appointees held in Abuja on 21st to 23rd November, 2000

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

MR. KOUAKOU KOFFI MARTIAL is hereby appointed the Managing Director, ECOWAS Regional Investment Bank (ERIB) for a period of four (4) years with effect from the date he assumes duty.

ARTICLE 2

The 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 by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time-frame.

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

MR. BACARI KONE

CHAIRMAN FOR THE COUNCIL

FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
BAMAKO, 9TH-12TH DECEMBER, 2000

REGULATION C/REG.7/12/00 APPOINTING THE MANAGING DIRECTOR, ECOWAS REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND (ERDF)

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Articles 17 and 18 of the Treaty and Article 28 of the Protocol relating to the ECOWAS Fund for Cooperation, Compensation and Development, relating to the appointments of statutory officers including those of the ECOWAS fund;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.4/12/99 relating to the transformation of the ECOWAS Fund into a Regional Holding Company called the ECOWAS Bank for Investment and Development (EBID) and the establishment of its two subsidiaries, namely, the ECOWAS Regional Investment Bank (ERIB) and the ECOWAS Regional Development Fund (ERDF);

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.3/7/91 on the selection and evaluation of the performance of Statutory Appointees for the Institutions of the Community;

MINDFUL of Decision CAHSG.4/7/2000 of the Chairman of Authority allocating the post of Managing Director, ECOWAS Regional Development Fund (ERDF) to Burkina Faso;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Fourth meeting of the Ad-hoc Ministerial Committee on the Selection and Evaluation of Statutory Appointees held in Abuja on 21st to 23rd November, 2000;

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

Mr. BARTHELEMY DRABO is hereby appropried the Managing Director, ECOWAS Regional Development Fund (ERDF) for a period of four (4) years with effect from the date he assumes duty.

ARTICLE 2

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 by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time-frame

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 12H DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

MR. BACARI KONE CHAIRMAN FOR THE COUNCIL

FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BAMAKO, 9TH - 12TH DECEMBER 2000

REGULATION C/REG. 8/12/2000 ESTABLISHING THE IMPLEMENTATION ORGANS OF THE WEST AFRICAN POWER POOL (WAPP)

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the revised Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and function;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.3/5/82 of the Authority of Heads of State and Government adopting the Community Energy Policy;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.5/12/99 establishing the West African Power Pool (WAPP) and its organs;

AWARE of the need to speed up the establishment of WAPP and ensure its effective operation;

WISHING to set up its coordinating organs without delay;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the ECOWAS Ministers of Energy meeting in Lome, Togo, on 29th September, 2000;

ARTICLE 1:

The following implementation organs of WAPP are hereby established.

- Steering Committee
 - Implementation Committee
- Working Groups
 - The permanent Secretariat

ARTICLE 2

The organs set out in Article 1 of this Regulation shall operate according to the following zones into which Member States are divided:

Zone A: Benin, Burkina Faso, Cote d' Ivoire, Ghana. Niger, Nigeria and Togo.

Zone B: Guinea Bissau, Mali, Mauritania, Senegal, The Gambia, Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone.

ARTICLE 3

Each zone shall be managed by an implementation subcommittee and two working groups.

ARTICLE 4

Nigeria and Cote d'Iovire shall be respectively responsible for coordinating the institutional and technical aspects of Zone As activities.

ARTICLE 5

Guinea and Senegal shall be respectively responsible for coordinating the institutional and technical aspects of Zone B's activities.

ARTICLE 6

Each meeting of the Steering Committee and Implementation Committee shall be chaired by the host country.

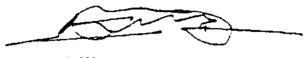
ARTICLE 7

ECOWAS Executive Secretariat shall act as the Permanent Secretariat of the implementation organs.

ARTICLE 9

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 BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000



CHAIRMAN FOR THE COUNCIL

FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BAMAKO, 9TH-12TH DECEMBER, 2000

REGULATION C/REG. 9/12/00 ESTABLISHING THE PROCEDURE FOR TRANSFER OF APPROVAL GIVEN TO INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES AND PRODUCTS PURSUANT TO A CHANGE OF COMPANY NAME

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the revised ECOWAS Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Decisions C/DEC.3/6/88 and C/DEC.4/7/92 of the Council of Ministers dated 21 June 1988 and 25 July 1992 respectively, establishing the procedure for granting approval to industrial enterprises and products to benefit from the ECOWAS trade liberalisation scheme;

NOTING that industrial mergers are becoming increasingly frequent in Member States;

DESIRING to promote intra-Community trade through speedy and effective trade liberalisation within ECOWAS;

AWARE of the need to process applications for transfer of approval under the trade liberalisation scheme as quickly as possible;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the forty-first meeting of Trade, Customs, Immigration, Money and Payments Commission held in Bamako from 27th to 30th November, 2000.

ENACTS

1. CONDITIONS GOVERNING TRANSFER OF APPROVAL

ARTICLE 1

The procedure for processing applications for transfer of approval following a change in company name occasioned by a company acquisition or a company merger, shall be as set out in the articles hereunder

ARTICLE 2

An enterprise which, for any of the reasons enumerated in Article 1 above, applies for a transfer of approval:

- must be registered in a Member State.
- ii) must manufacture the same types of goods for which the initial approval was granted; that is to say the products must have the same characteristics, and the goods must still meet the Community origin criteria. The packaging of the goods may however be different.

An enterprise which does not satisfy the above conditions must submit a fresh application.

II. PROCEDURE

ARTICLE 3

All applications from the companies or enterprises requesting a transfer of approval shall be sent to the relevant authority in the Member State where they shall be screened before being forwarded to the ECOWAS Executive Secretariat.

Such applications must be channelled through the ministry in charge of ECOWAS affairs.

ARTICLE 4

The ECOWAS Executive Secretariat shall consider such applications received, and shall grant the transfer of approval where such applications satisfy the conditions set out in Articles 1 and 2 above. It shall duly notify all Member States as well as the enterprises concerned of its decision.

III.DOCUMENTATION

ARTICLE 5

Applications for a transfer of approval must include the following documents:

- a formal request from the enterprise applying for the transfer of approval, stating the reasons for the application and including the following information:
 - the identify of the enterprise (the company name, the nature of its activities, its location and its headquaners);
 - the product name identity and a description of the manufacturing process:
 - the quantity and value of the raw materials used and the value-added of the manufactured product

- a deed of transfer or merger issued by the competent authority of the country in which the enterprise is located;
- iii) an attestation of registration in the trade register.

IV. PUBLICATION

ARTICLE 6

This Regulations shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community by the Executive Secretariat within thirty (30) days of its signature by the Chairman of Council. It shall also be published by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time-frame

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000



MR. BACARI KONE
CHAIRMAN
FOR THE COUNCIL

FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BAMAKO, 9TH-12TH DECEMBER 2000

REGULATION C/REG, 10/12/00 RELATING TO THE ORGANISATION OF THE THIRD ECOWAS TRADE FAIR

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions:

MINDFUL of Decision C/DEC.5/5/82 dated 26 May, 1982 of the Council of Ministers relating to the programming of trade fairs;

MINDFUL of Decision C/DEC.7/7/85 dated 3 July, 1985 of the Council of Ministers establishing a Consultation and Coordination Committee for the programming of trade fairs and similar commercial events in ECOWAS Member States;

CONSCIOUS of the importance of trade fairs and exhibitions in the development of trade between Member States of the Community;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Trade, Customs, Immigration, Money and Payments Commission which met in Bamako from 27th to 30th November, 2000

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

The Togolese Republic is hereby selected to host the Third ECOWAS Trade Fair.

ARTICLE 2

The Third ECOWAS Trade Fair shall be held from 7 to 16 March 2003.

The fair shall be multi-sectoral in concept with priority given to professioanl meetings and organisation of buyers/sellers meetings.

ARTICLE 3

There is hereby established a Regional Organising Committee which shall be responsible for the organisation of the Third ECOWAS Trade Fair.

The Regional organising Committee is constituted as follows:

- one representative from each of the Member States having permanent trade fair facilities: Burkina Faso, Ghana, Nigeria, Senegal and Togo;
- one representative from the Federation of West African Manufacturers Association;
- one representative from the Federation of West African Chambers of Commerce;
- one representative from the West African Women's Association;
- one representative of the ECOWAS Executive Secretariat and one representative of the ECOWAS Fund.

ARTICLE 4

The Regional Organising Committee of the Third ECOWAS Trade Fair shall:

- supervise all activities relating to the preparation and organisation of the fair;
- (ii) assist the Executive Secretariat in all measures taken by the latter in this regard.

ARTICLE 5

There is hereby established within the Regional Organising Committee an Ad-hoc Monitoring Committee which shall be made up of representatives from Ghana, Senegal, Togo, and the ECOWAS Executive Secretariat.

ARTICLE 6

The Ad-hoc Monitoring Committee shall be responsible for implementing the recommendations of the Regional Organising Committee It shall report on its activities to that body.

ARTICLE 7

The activities of the two committees shall be funded from the budget of the Community.

ARTICLE 8

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 by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same fime-frame.

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

MR. BACARI KONE CHAIRMAN

FOR THE COUNCIL

FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BAMAKO, 9TH-12TH DECEMBER 2000

REGULATION C/REG. 11/12/00 ESTABLISHING AN ADDITIONAL LIST OF ENTERPRISES AND PRODUCTS APPROVED TO BENEFIT FROM THE ECOWAS TRADE LIBERALISATION SCHEME

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of the Protocol dated 5th November, 1976 defining the concept of products originating from ECOWAS Member States, and its subsequent amendment Acts;

MINDFUL of Decisions C/DEC.3/6/88 and C/DEC.4/7/92 dated 21st June, 1988 and 25th July, 1992 of the Council of Ministers defining the procedure for approval of industrial enterprises and products to benefit from the ECOWAS Trade Liberalisation Scheme;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.6/7/92 dated 29th July, 1992 of the Authority of Heads of State and Government of

ECOWAS on the adoption and implementation of a single trade liberalisation scheme for products originating from Member States of the Community;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.4/7/96 dated 27th July, 1996 abolishing the criterion relating to the level of participation of community nationals in the equity capital of enterprises wishing to benefit from the trade liberalisation scheme;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the forty-first meeting of the Trade, Customs, Immigration, Money and Payment Commission, held in Barnako from 27th to 30th November, 2000.

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

The industrial enterprises and products fulfilling the ECOWAS rules of origin and which are featured on the list hereto annexed are approved to benefit from the ECOWAS Trade Liberalisation Scheme.

ARTICLE 2

The Executive Secretariat shall give each enterprise concerned an approval number which must be stated on the certificate of origin and on the ECOWAS customs declaration.

ARTICLE 3

Member States and the Executive Secretariat shall take all necessary measures to ensure application of this Regulation.

ARTICLE 4

This Regulation shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community by the Executive Secretariat within thirty (30) days after signature by the Chairman of the Council of Ministers, It shall also be published by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time-frame.

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

MR. BACARI KONE CHAIRMAN

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GHANA	18.AUTOMOTIVE SPR.INGS GHANA LIMITED	Plot N0 54/1 OFF ALUWORKS Road TEMA	7318.16.00	Ecrous en fer ou acier / Nuts of iron or steel	15	42.25	8	
GHANA	19.SINAR INDOGHANA LTD	P.O.Box CO 875 TEMA	3401.11.10	Savon de toilette à usage médicinal / Medicated Soaps	45	64.90	35.9	
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GHANA	20,CARMEUSE LIME PRODUOTS GHANA LTD.	P.O BOX 1163 Ahanta East District TAKORADI	2522.10.00	Chaux vive / Ouiclime			48.05	
GHANA			2522.30.00	Chaux hydraulique / Hydraulic lime		-	55.04	
GHANA	21.BENINVEST LIMITED	P.O.BOX 19540 ACCRA	7210.41.00	Tôtes galvanisées ondulées en fer ou acier / Sheet corrugated of iron or steel	36.6	35.35	99:90	
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NIGERIA	01.NORMAN IND. LTD.	Plot N** 8 Block "H" Isolo Industrial Estate LAGOS	8415.10.00	Machines et apparells pour le conditionnement de l'air du type mural ou pour fenétre formant un seul / Air contioning machines, windows or wall types, sel contained	25.9	4.2	8	,
NIGERIA	03.RELIANCE TEXTILE IND. LTD.	Plot N° 6Block A OGBA Ind. Estate P.O.Box 6778 Lagos.	5208.49.00	Autres tissus en fils de diverses couleurs/ Other fabrics of yams of different colors.	81	8756	40.7	
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NIGERIA	04. CHELLCO IND. LTD.	A2/E2 KUDENDA IND. Estate P.OBOX 1847 KADUNA	6214.30.00	Châles de fibres synthètiques/Baby shawls of man-made fibres	£3	8	39.64	

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	35	42	8	Insecticides conditionnés pour la vente au détail / Insecticides put up for retail sale	3808.11.00		07.MOBIL OIL NIGERIA PLC	NIGERIA
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FORTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY SESSION OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS BAMAKO, 9TH-12TH DECEMBER, 2000

REGULATION C/REG. 12/12/00 APPROVING THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT FOR THE 1998 FINANCIAL YEAR

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of paragraph 3(d), Article 10 of the Revised Treaty relating to the appointment of the External Auditors:

MINDFUL of the Financial Regulations and Manual of Accounting Procedure of the Institutions of ECOWAS amended by Regulation C/REC.2/12/95;

MINDFUL of the Authority Decision A/DEC.6/12/99 dated 10th December 1999 on the appointment of the firm of Coopers, Lybrand & Dieye as External Auditors of the Community;

HAVING EXAMINED the report of the firm of Coopers, Lybrand & Dieye on the financial statements of the Secretariat for the 1998 Financial Year;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the twenty-fifth meeting of the Administration and Finance Commission held in Bamako, from 2nd to 8th December, 2000.

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

The Audited Financial Statements of the Executive Secretariat for the 1998 financial year is hereby approved.

ARTICLE 2

This Regulation shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community by the Executive Secretariat within thirty (30) days of its signature by the Chairman of the Council of Ministers. It shall also be published by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time-frame

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

MR. BACARI KONE CHAIRMAN FOR THE COUNCIL FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BAMAKO, 9TH-12TH DECEMBER 2000

REGULATION C/REG. 13/12/00 APPROVING THE WORK PROGRAMME OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT FOR THE 2001 FINANCIAL YEAR

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

HAVING CONSIDERED the work Programme of the Executive Secretariat for the 2001 Financial Year proposed by the Twenty-fifth meeting of the Administration and Finance Commission held in Bamako, from 2nd to 8th December 2000:

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

The Work Programme hereto attached is hereby approved and shall be executed by the Executive Secretariat during the 2001 Financial Year.

ARTICLE 2

This Regulation shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community by the Executive Secretariat within thirty (30) days of its signature by the Chairman of Council. It shall also be published by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time frame.

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

MR. BACARI KONE CHAIRMAN

FOR THE COUNCIL

TWENTY-FIFTH MEETING OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMISSION

BAMAKO, 2ND-8TH DEC., 2000

2001 BUDGET WORK PROGRAMME

EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT BAMAKO, DEC. 2000

DEPAR	RTMENT/WORK PROGRAMME	. UA
A)	DIRECTORATE OF LEGAL AFFAIRS	
1.	Drafting of Institutional Texts	
	 Draft Protocol relating to the decision-making process Harmonisation of Commercial Laws within ECOWAS 	13,5 54 20,083
ìi.	Institutional Capacity-Building	
	 Establishment of Community Court of Justice Inaugural meeting of the Political Judicial and Legal Affairs, Regional Security and Immigration Commission 	666,739
iii	Technical Cooperation	5, 0 00
	TOTALA:	7 0 8,876
B)	DIRECTORATE OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS	
l.	Enhancing institutional capacity	l
	 Meetings of the Mediation and Security Council Meetings of the Defence and Security Council Establishment of the Council of Elders Constitution of ECOMOG stand-by forces 	30,458 23,502 20,720 6,782
It.	Implementation of the Moratorium on the importation, exportation and manufacture of light weapons and fight against the proliferation of such weapons	81, 46 2 3,283
III.	Implementation of the Peace Agreement on Sierra Leone	39,245
IV.	Technical Cooperation	5,000
		128,990
V	+ 10% Various reunions expenses	12,899
VI.	IMMIGRATION	48,142
	TOTAL B:	190,031

DEPA	RTMENT	/PROGRAMME DE TRAVAIL	υc
C)		CULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND RONMENT DIRECTION (ARDE)	
1.	AGRI	CULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT	
	1.	Common Agricultural Policy	3,565
	2.	Regional Agricultural Cooperation Programme	33,169
	3.	Food Security Programme	16,834
	4.	Animal Disease Control Programme	15,123
	5 .	Rules and Regulations governing transhumance	27,191
	6.	Fisheries Development Programme	3.565
		TOTAL I:	99,447
II.	ENV	RONMENT	İ
	7.	Floating weeds control programme	10,395
	8.	Desertification control programme	20,809
	9.	Integrated water resources management programme	11,692
	10.	Sub-regional meteorological programme	8,031
		TOTAL II:	50,927
Ħ	TEC	HNICAL COOPERATION	10,000
		GENERAL TOTAL C	160,374
(D)		ECTORATE OF INFRASTRUCTURAL DEVELOPMENT INDUSTRY	
1a.	Upg	rading of Land and Transport Infrastructure	28,352
	1.	Construction of the Trans-West African Highway	
	2.	Meetings of African Transport Ministers	ļ
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	3. 4. 5. 6.	Meeting of the Advisory Committee on the Second Decade of Transport 12th Meeting of Higher Committee on Road Transport General Assembly of the African Railroad Union Join ECOWAS/ECA/ARU Meeting on the Masterplan for railroad interconnections	
	7, 8.	Meeting of the Council of ECOWAS Brown Card Bureau Meeting of the UTRAO Executive Council	
Ь.	impr	ovement of Air and Sea Transport Services	33,241
	1.	Liberalising Air Transport	
	2.	Implementation programme and the safe skies initiatives	ţ
	3.	Formulate a plan of action for the safe skies initiatives	
	4.	ECOMARINE Project	l
	5.	ECOAIR Project	
	6.	Meeting of Ministers of Transport	
		TOTAL I:	61,5 93
١.	Deve	opment of Posts and Telecom Infrastructure	1
	1.	Meeting of Managing Directors of Telecommunication Services and national Heads of Telecom regulatory bodies	59,117
	2.	Meetings of countries in Group I	
	3.	Meeting of countries in Group II	İ
	4.	Meeting of the Telecom Regulatory Advisory Committee	
	5.	Evaluation of Convergence criteria	
	6.	Restructuring of Special Telecommunication Fund (SFT)	
	7 .	Activities of the Telecom Development Bureau	1
	8.	Special team for the transition to second generation meteorological Telecom satellites	
	9.	PATU and RASCOM meeting	
	10.	Meeting of Managing Director of National Postal Services	
		TOTAL II:	59,117

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Illa.	Development of Energy production, means and interconnection of Electricity Grids	
	 Power Pool Master Plan and institutional framework West African Gas pipeline Project 	51,454 45,650
b.	Development of Renewable Energy sources	19,665
	 Harmonisation of ECOWAS solar energy programme with CILSS 	
	2: Consultation with CILSS/EU 3. Solar map	
	TOTAL III:	116,759
IVa.	Harmonisation of the industrial Policies of ECOWAS Member States	13,803
	1. Regularisation and monitoring	
	2. Meeting of National officers	
b.	Promotion of Investment and Private sector participation	29,398
	Agro industrial investors' Forum 2001	
	2. African-American Summit	
	3. Business encounters (within the sub-region)	
	4. Business encounters in Abuja and Canada	
	TOTAL IV:	43,201
V.	TECHNICAL COOPERATION	5,000
	GENERAL TOTAL D	285,670
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E)	DIR	ECTORATE OF HUMAN DEVELOPMENT	
I.	Soc	ial Affairs, Youth and Sports	
•	1.	Women in Development	
	2.	Gender Policy	7,507
	3.	Annual subvention of West African Women Association (WAWA)	25,000
•	4.	Provision for WAWA staff	21,558
	5.	Meeting of Youth Directors	18,037
	6.	Forum of Associations	14,744
ı	7.	Subvention of CMJS	10,000
<u> </u>		TOTAL I:	96,846
17.	Edu	cation, Culture and Drug Control	{
	1.	Prize for Excellence	17,910
	2.	FESPACO	5,156
	3.	ECOWAS Art Festival	30,674
	4.	Education	19,846
	5.	Drug Control	14,969
i		TOTAL II:	88,55 5
III. Te	echni cal	Cooperation	5,000
		TOTAL E:	190,401
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F)	DIRE	CTORATE OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS POLICIES	
1)	Trade	e expansion and competitiveness	
	1.	Preparation of the Third ECOWAS Trade Fair	16,763
ļ	2.	Installation and operation of SIGOA-Tops	45,843
	3 .	Meeting of the Consultative and Coordination Committee for the Programming of trade fairs	3,500
	4.	Attendance at meetings of WTD, CCC, UNCTD/WTO	7,450
	5.	Organisation of meetings on WTO negotiation	27,830
	6.	Meeting on the fast-track approach	100,000
		TOTAL I:	201,386
H.	Trad	e liberalisation programme	
	1.	Meeting with UEMOA	14,014
	2.	Attendance and follow-up to meetings of Member States	52,837
	3.	Sensitisation and information seminar	РМ
	4.	Re-issue of brochures and prospectus on intra-ECOWAS trade	14,643
1	5 .	Annual meetings of National Guarantors	21,497
	6 .	Attendance at meetings of the WCO	4,478
	7.	Printing of the forms (Single Customs Document)	РМ
	8.	Establishment of a Common External Tariff	PM
	9.	Application of the Community levy	65,71Ò
	10.	Study on the specific case of Free Zone enterprises	11,058
	тот	AL II:	184,237
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DEPA	DEPARTMENT/WORK PROGRAMME UA			
III.	Tourism Development Programme			
	1,	Promotion and Marketing of tourist products	4,700	
	2.	Ad-hoc Committee meeting	PM	
	3 .	Working visit by the sub-regional surveillance committee	9,811	
	4.	Meeting of national tourism administration	РМ	
		TOTAL III:	14,511	
	IV)	Technical Cooperation	10,000	
	ŕ	TOTAL F:	410,134	
G.	DIRE	ECTORATE OF ECONOMIC POLICIES		
1)	Macro-economic Cooperation Programme and regional statistical support under the Multilateral surveillance scheme			
	1.	Evaluation of country convergence programme	75,917	
	2.	Harmonisation of legal, accounting and statistical framework of public finance	30,735	
	3.	Operational activities of the ECOWAS monetary zone	44,045	
	4.	Development of Community statistical system	79,496	
		TOTAL I:	230,193	
t.	Strengthening Community institutional capacity		42,628	
V.	Mob	ilisation of financial resources	36,675	
Z.	Technical Cooperation meetings		12,500	
		TOTAL G	321,996	
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DEPARTMENT/WORK PROGRAMME UA			
H)	INFORMATION DEPARTMENT		
	Community Information Policy	ļ.	
	Procurement of audio-visual equipment	10,615	
	TOTAL I:	10,615	
I.	Enlightenment Programmes on ECOWAS		
	 Celebration of ECOWAS anniversary ECOWAS Anthem Publicity and promotion Public relations and ECOWAS promotion Sensitization of Member States 	1,464 8,785 1,099 7,321	
	TOTAL II:	18, 66 9	
111.	Publication of Magazines and Information Dissemination 1. The West African Bulletin 2. ECOWAS brief 3. ECOMOG publication 4. Subscription to AFP TOTAL III:	12,500 2,197 17,250 4,393 	
IV.	Documentation (Official Issue)	05.040	
	 Printing of Official Journals Printing of Index and Abstract of ECOWAS laws and decisions (1978 - 2000) Additional audiovisual equipment Acquisition of books, dailies and periodicals 	35,848 15,000 9,600 20,000	
	TOTAL IV:	80,448	
V)	Technical Cooperation	5,000	
	TOTAL H:	15,072	
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1)	COMMUNITY COMPUTER CENTRE		
(l).	Software Development	l l	
	1. Development of ECOTRADE	27, 320	
	Development of Data Processing Software for ECOWAS	00.740	
	Institutions	30,749	
	TOTAL 1:	58,069	
W.	Assistance to Member States and Institutions Division 1. Implemention of ECOWAS Trade Information Network	15,320	
	(ECOTINET) 2. Data processing services for ECOWAS Institutions	15,320 202,625	
	3. Training Programmes	106,503	
	4. Technical Assistance to Member States	87,729	
	TOTAL II:	412,177	
	Technical Cooperation meetings	5,000	
	TOTAL 1:	475,246	
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	GRAND TOTAL:	6,075,986	
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FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS BAMAKO, 9TH 12TH DECEMBER, 2000

REGULATION C/REG 14/12/2000 APPROVING THE BUDGET OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT FOR THE 2001 FINANCIAL YEAR

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of the provisions of Article 69 of the Revised Treaty which relates to the budgets of the Community;

MINDFUL of the Financial Regulations and Manual of Accounting Procedures of the Institutions of ECOWAS amended by Regulation C/REG. 2/12/95;

HAVING CONSIDERED the budget proposed by the Twenty-fifth meeting of the Administration and finance Commission held in Bamako, from 2nd to 8th December, 2000;

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

The budget of the Executive Secretariat for the 2001 financial year, balanced in income and expenditure at the sum of Fourteen million, nine hundred and eleven thousand, five hundred (14, 911,500) Units of Accounts is hereby approved.

ARTICLE 2

An amount of Twetve million, seven hundred and one thousand, five hundred (12,701,500) Units of Accounts shall be derived from the annual contributions of Member States. A sum of Two million (2,000,000) shall be obtained from arrears paid in respect of past budgets, and another sum of Two hundred and ten thousand (210,000) Units of Accounts shall be derived from other sources.

ARTICLE 3

This Regulations 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 by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time-frame.

DONEAT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

MR. BACARI KONE CHAIRMAN FOR THE COUNCIL FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS BAMAKO, 9TH-12TH DECEMBER 2000

REGULATION C/REG 15/12/2000 RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF THE COMPENSATION BUDGET FOR LOSS OF REVENUE INCURRED BY ECOWAS MEMBER STATES IN 1999 AS A RESULT OF THE LIBERALISATION OF INTRA-ECOWAS TRADE

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions:

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.8/5/79 of the Authority of Heads of State and Government, dated 29 May 1979 relating to the consolidation of customs duties and taxes of equivalent effect, and non-tariff barriers:

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.19/5/80 of the Authority of Heads of State and Government, dated 28 May, 1980 relating to compensation procedure for loss of revenue suffered by ECOWAS Member States as a result of the liberalisation of intra-ECOWAS trade;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.1/5/83 of the Authority of Heads of State and Government relating to the adoption and implementation of a single trade liberalisation scheme for industrial products originated from Member States, and the amendment thereto embodied in Decision A/DEC.6/6/89, dated 30th June, 1989;

MINDFUL of the Decisions and Regulations listing enterprises and products approved to benefit under the ECOWAS trade liberalisation scheme:

CONSIDERING the application for compensation for loss of revenue received from Member States having imported approved industrial products;

CONSIOERING the report of the forty-first meeting of the Trade, Customs, Immigration, Money and Payments Commission held in Barnako from 27th to 30th November 2000;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the twenty-fifth meeting of the Administration and Finance Commission held in Bamako from 2nd to 3rd December, 2000.

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

 The following budget estimates in the amount of One hundred and seventy million, three hundred and forty-two thousand, one hundred Francs CFA (FCFA 170, 342, 100) for compensation of loss of revenue suffered as a result of the liberalisation of intra-ECOWAStrade are hereby approved. The table annexed hereto indicates the share of contributions owed to the compensation budget by each exporting Member State.

COMPENSATION BUDGET (In CFA Francs)

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GHANA	0 (31,12)
NIGER A	24,114,589
TOGO	1[4,896,390
TOTAL	170,342,100

ARTICLE 2

The ECOWAS Executive Secretariat and the ECOWAS Fund shall be responsible for the payment to the Member State that has suffered the loss of revenue in the amounts recorded in the compensation budgets for 1999.

ARTICLE 3

This Regulation shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community by the Executive Secretariat within thirty (30) days of its signature by the Chairman of the Council of Ministers. It shall also be published by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time-frame.

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

MR. BACARI KONÉ CHAIRMAN FOR THE COUNCIL

FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
BAMAKO, 9TH-12TH DECEMBER 2000

REGULATION CIREG. 16/12/00 ON THE ADOPTION OF EDUCATION GRANT FOR STAFF OF THE INSTITUTIONS OF THE COMMUNITY

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Article 26 of the ECOWAS Staff Regulation adopted by the Forty-fifth Session of the Council of Ministers held in Lome from 5th to 7th December 1999 amended by Regulation C/REG.4/12/99.

CONSIDERING that the professional staff of the ECOWAS Institutions had, by virtue of the Staff Regulations been receiving an education grant of one thousand (1000) United States Dollars;

CONSIDERING also that Decision C/DEC 1/11/89 of the Council of Ministers authorised a grant of 100 **UA** per annum for each dependent child of staff of G and M categories;

CONSIDERING also that the rates mentioned above are grossly insufficient and unrealistic considering the fact of inflation, constant increase in school fees and inability of staff members to adequately cope financially;

DESIRING to review upwards the education grant in order to ameliorate the financial difficulties of staff and provide children of the Community the highest standard of education:

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Twenty-fifth Meeting of the Administration and Finance Commission held in Bamako from 2nd to 3rd December 2000.

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

There shall be a maximum education grant of \$2000 (two thousand United States Dollars) and \$400 (four hundred United States Dollars) for each dependent child of internationally recruited staff and locally recruited staff respectively.

ARTICLE 2

The education grant shall be paid for each dependent child up to a maximum of 4 (four) children. The child must be in full time attendance at a school (kindergarten, secondary school), university or similar educational institution.

ARTICLE 3

Reimbursement to staff shall be made upon presentation of receipts of payments for tuition fees and related charges. The phrase, "related charges" in this context, means other expenses related to the child's education, such as books, stationery, uniform, accommodation (boarding) fees.

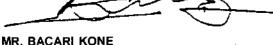
ARTICLE 4

The Executive Secretariat shall present a memorandum to the year 2002 budgetary session of the Administration and Finance Commission for its review of the amount of grant provided in this Regulation.

ARTICLE 5

This Regulation shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community by the Executive Secretariat within thirty (30) days of its signature by the Chairman of Council. It shall also be publised by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time-frame.

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000



MR. BACARI KONE CHAIRMAN FOR THE COUNCIL

FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BAMAKO, 9th-12th DECEMBER 2000

REGULATION C/REG. 17/12/00 RELATING TO THE PARTICIPATION OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT IN THE NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICE CORPS (NYSC) SCHEME OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Article 61 of the Treaty which provides for the mobilisation and involvement of Community citizens in the activities of the Community as well as their professional training and employment;

CONSIDERING that the National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) Scheme was introduced by the Federal Government of Nigeria through legislative Act No, 24 dated 22nd May, 1973, under which young Nigerian graduates of Universities and similar tertiary Institutions are required to undertake a one-year national service; CONSIDERING also that the Executive Secretariat had to participate in the scheme when eligible youths were posted to it by the National Youth Service Corps Secretariat, and their services had not only proved to be invaluable to staff members but had also afforded the youths the opportunity to learn about the Community, its activities and programmes;

DESIRING to approve the participation of the Executive Secretariat in the scheme and to provide corps members serving in the Secretariat token allowances for their services in accordance with the general practice in similar Crganisations;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Twenty-fifth meeting of the Adminstration and Finance Commission held in Bamako, from 2nd to 8th December 2000;

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

- The Executive Secretariat is hereby authorised to participate in the National Youth Service Corps Scheme of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.
- The Secretariat shall adopt strategies for recruiting the best candidates to serve in the Secretariat. The Secretariat shall also submit proposals for the extension of the programme to graduate youths of other Member States
- The number of Youth Corps members to serve in the Secretariat in any given year shall be determined by the budgetary session of the Administration and Finance Commission, preceding the year of service.

ARTICLE 2

Each serving corps member shall be paid a monthly allowance of ten thousand naira (N10,000) to cover his/her accommodation and transportation expenses.

ARTICLE 3

This Regulation shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community by the Executive Secretariat within thirty (30) days of its signature by the Chairman of Council. It shall also be published by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time frame.

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

MR, BACARIKONE CHAIRMAN FOR THE COUNCIL

FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS BAMAKO, 9th-12th DECEMBER 2000

RECOMMENDATION C/REC.1/12/2000 ON THE GRANTING OF OBSERVER STATUS TO THE AFRICAN BUSINESS ROUND TABLE

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions:

MINDFUL of Article 61 of the Revised Treaty by which Member States undertake to mobilise the various sections of the population in order to ensure their involvement and effective participation in the activities of the Community;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC 9/8/94 of the Authority establishing Regulations for the grant to Non-Governmental Organisations, (NGOs) of observer status within the Institutions of the Community;

AWARE of the role that the African Business Round Table is playing to accelerate the West African integration process;

CONSIDERING the report of the forty-first meeting of the Trade, Customs, Immigration, Money and Payments Commission, held in Bamako from 27th to 30th November, 2000;

RECOMMENDS to the Authority of Heads of State and Governments to adopt the attached draft Decision granting the Status of Observer to the African Business Round Table;

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

MR. BACARI KONE CHAIRMAN

FOR THE COUNCIL

FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BAMAKO, 9th -12th DECEMBER 2000

RECOMMENDATION C/REC.2/12/2000 ON THE GRANT OF OBSERVER STATUS TO THE WORLD TRADE CENTRES ASSOCIATION

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

CONSIDERING the need to encourage non-partisan organisations that are determined to promote increased trade in the sub-region;

AWARE of the role that the World Trade Centres Association is playing in the integration process in West Africa:

CONSIDERING the report of the forty-first meeting of the Trade, Customs, Immigration, Money and Payments Commission, held in Bamako from 27th to 30th November, 2000; RECOMMENDS to the Authority of Heads of State and Government to adopt the attached draft Decision on the grant of Observer Status to the World Trade Centres Association;

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

MR. BACARI KONE CHAIRMAN FOR THE COUNCIL

FINAL COMMUNIQUE OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUMMIT SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT

Bamako, 15th -16th December, 2000

INTRODUCTION

- The Authority of Heads of State and Government of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) held its twenty-fourth ordinary session in Bamako, Republic of Mali, on 15th and 16th December, 2000. The meeting was chaired by His Excellency, Alpha Oumar KONARE, President of the Republic of Mali, current Chairman of the ECOWAS Authority of Heads of State and Government.
- Present at the session were the following Heads of State and Government or their duly accredited representatives:
 - His Excellency, Mathieu KEREKOU President of the Republic of Benin
 - His Excellency, Blaise COMPAORE President of Burkina Faso
 - His Excellency, Koumba YALLA President of the Republic of Guinea Bissau
 - His Excellency, Dahkpanah Dr. Charles Ghankay TAYLOR President of the Republic of Liberia
 - His Excellency, Alpha Oumar KONARE President of the Republic of Mali Current Chairman of ECOWAS
 - His Excellency, Olusegun OBASANJO President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
 - His Excellency, Abdoulaye WADE President of the Republic of Senegal
 - His Excellency, Dr. Ahmad Tejan KABBAH President of the Republic of Sierra Leone
 - His Excellency, General Gnassingbe EYADEMA
 President of the Togolese Republic
 - Her Excellency, Aïssatou NJIE-SAIDY Vice-President of the Republic of The Gambia
 - Hon. Lamine SIDIME
 Prime Minister of the Republic of Guinea,
 Representing the President of the Republic

- Hon. Sangaré Abou DRAHAME
 Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire

 Representing the President of the Republic
- Hon. James Victor GBEHO
 Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Ghana
 Representing the President of the Republic
- Hon. Nassirou SABO
 Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Niger
 Representing the President of the Republic
- Hon. Marly de Menezes Barbosa VINCENTE Secretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Communities of the Republic of Cape Verde Representing the Prime Minister of the Republic
- The following personalities also attended the twentyfourth session as observers:
 - The representative of the Secretary-General of the Organisation of African Unity
 - The representative of the Secretary-General of the Unifed Nations
 - President of the UEMOA Commission;
 - Chairman, Committee of Governors of Central Banks of West Africa, Governor of the Central Bank of The Gambia.
- 4. The full list of participants is attached as an annex.
- 5. Their Excellencies, President Alpha Oumar Konare of the Republic of Mali current Chairman of ECOWAS. President Olusegun Obansanjo of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and President Ahmad Tejan Kabbah of Sierra Leone delivered keynote addresses at the opening session. The Authority decided to adopt these keynote addresses as working documents. The Heads of State and Government reiterated their commitment to reinforce regional peace and security, and to make ECOWAS an effective instrument for the promotion, development and integration of West African economies.

AFRICAN UNION

6. The Authority welcomed the signing of the Charter of the African Union during the 36th ordinary Summit of the Organisation of African Unity in Lome on 11th July, 2000. The Authority appealed to all Member States which were yet to ratify the Charter to do so as quickly as possible, in order to enable the realisation of this project which is of great importance to the future of Africa.

ECOWAS PROGRAMMES

- 7 The Authority adopted the reports of the Executive Secretary, the 47th Session of the Council of Ministers and the meeting of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs. These reports primarily focused on the following:
 - Harmonisation of ECOWAS and UEMOA integration programmes;
 - Implementation of the ECOWAS common market:
 - Creation of the ECOWAS monetary zone;
 - Sectoral programmes for production and infrastructural development;
 - Health, education and information programmes;
 - Administrative and financial matters;
 - Regional peace and security
- The Authority lay special emphasis on economic, institutional, peace and security issues:

ECONOMIC ISSUES

Accelerating the regional integration process

- The Authority, having considered the modalities for implementing the strategy for accelerating the regional integration process, with a view to establishing a single economic zone, decided to establish, within the shortest possible time, a customs union in ECOWAS, based on the lowest existing common external tariff in the sub-region which ranges from 20% to 0%, depending on the type of product, and on the progressive removal of all tariff barriers to intra-Community trade. To this end, the Authority directed the ECOWAS Executive Secretariat to carry out a study immediately on the impact of such lower tariffs on the public finance, economies and enterprises in the member countries. The Authority also appealed to West African development partners, particularly the IMF, the World Bank and the European Union, to provide the assistance needed to carry out the studies, and to cover the costs of any budgetary and economic adjustment measures that may be necessary.
- 10. The Authority stressed that efforts to strengthen the political and economic dimension of integration should be accompanied by actions and measures that would consolidate the achievements of ECOWAS. The Authority directed the Executive Secretary to determine and propose specific actions to support the socio-economic development of the Community's island and landlocked countries of Cape Verde, Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger.

Monetary cooperation programme

 The Authority expressed satisfaction at the progress made in the monetary integration process since the last Summit held in Lome in December 1999, as

- witnessed by the adoption of the statutes of the second ECOWAS monetary zone and the statutes of the common Central Bank. It urged the countries concerned to intensify their efforts to achieve convergence of their macro-economic policies, with a view to facilitating the merger with the CFA monetary zone and creating a single ECOWAS monetary zone in 2004.
- 12. While welcoming the creation of a second monetary zone, the Authority urged the Convergence Council to reflect on whether it would be cost-effective to introduce, in the second monetary zone, a currency destined to circulate for only two years.
- 13. The Authority requested the Committee of Governors of Central Banks to revisit the issue of the ECOWAS exchange rate mechanism so as to enhance the practical modalities of implementing it.

ECOWAS Passport

14. The Executive Secretary officially presented prototypes of the ECOWAS passport to the Heads of State. The Authority called on all Member States to take appropriate measures to put the passport into circulation as quickly as possible.

Human resource development

- 15. The Authority expressed concern over malaria and HIV which are wreaking havoc on our populations, and urged States to take all necessary measures to implement the HIV and Malaria Control Strategies adopted by the OAU and ECOWAS Ministers of Health. The Authority issued an urgent appeal to pharmaceutical taboratories and the international community to make drugs available to our populations at affordable prices.
- 16. Recognising that today's children are tomorrow's leaders, Heads of State and Government undertook to combat all forms of violence of which they are victim, such as physical abuse, child trafficking and slavery, conscription into armed groups. They called on Member States to ratify the statutes of the International Criminal Court and to prosecute those guilty of recruiting and using children in armed conflict.

Management of water resources

17. Concerned at the fact that, despite possessing an enormous potential, West Africa suffers from acute shortage of water which affects its social and economic development, the Authority adopted a Regional Action Plan for integrated Management of Water Resources. This regional plan seeks to establish a coherent framework for coordination and harmonisation of the water resource management plans, programmes and strategies of all ECOWAS Member States.

INSTITUTIONAL MATTERS

- (i) Strengthening Community Institutions
- 18. In the hope of ensuring better monitoring of community programmes and improving communications between its institutions and Member States, the Authority directed the Executive Secretary to study the possibility of appointing representatives of the Secretariat in each Member State
- 19. Within the context of the restructuring of the Institutions and measures to improve their efficiency, the Authority directed the Executive Secretariat to present a detailed report at its next session. The report should set out the total amount spent on staff expenses in the Community institutions and the share of this item in the overall budget.
- (ii) Court of Justice
- 20. The Authority established the Community Court of Justice made up of the following members:
 - Mr Anthony Alfred BENIN Ghana
 - Mrs. Hadjia Awa Nana-Amadou DABOYA Togo
 Mrs. Aminata MALLE Mali
 - El Hadj Mansour TALL Senegal
 - Mr. Barthelemy TOE Burkina Faso
 - Mrs. Hassine Mapwaniyo DONLI
 Mr. Soumana Dirarou SIDIBE
 Niger
- 21. The Authority decided to continue its consultations
- on the choice of the seat of the Court.
 - (iii) Community Parliament
- The Authority established the Community Parliament made up of 120 members. It decided to continue consultations on the choice of the seat of the Parliament.
 - (iv) ECOWAS Flag
- 23. The Authority requested the Executive Secretariat to organise a competition among artists in the region for the design of an ECOWAS flag.

REGIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY.

Guinea, Sierra Leone, Liberia

- 24. In view of the deterioration in the climate of peace and security between Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone, the Summit of Heads of State and Government held in-depth discussions on the issue. The Summit took due note of the undertaking by Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone that:
 - each of the countries will do all in its power to ensure that the national territory is not used by national or foreign armed individuals to prepare and perpetrate attacks on neighbouring countries

- each country undertakes to disarm any irregular armed groups present in its territory.
- iii) the three countries undertake as part of their joint effort to rebuild trust and restore peace, to refrain from any act or statement, in whatever form, that may appear hostile to the other party.
- iv) the Summit of Heads of State and Government undertook to effect the immediate deployment of interposition forces along the borders between the three countries. The Summit recommended an immediate meeting of Heads of State of the three countries under the auspices of ECOWAS and OAU.

Sierra Leone

25. The Authority reaffirmed its support for the Lome Peace Agreement signed between the Government of Sierra Leone and the RUF. Heads of State and Government called on the parties concerned to fully comply with the provisions of the cease-fire agreement signed in Abuja on 10th November, 2000. They urged ECOWAS Member States, the OAU and the international community to contribute troops to UNAMSIL to enable it carry out its mission successfully.

Côte d' Ivoire

- 26. The Authority commended the efforts of the OAU Committee of Ten on Côte d'Ivoire, which is a clear demonstration of the desire of the whole continent to promote peace, security and democracy in a Member State. The Authority urged the Ivorien authorities to promote dialogue and reconciliation so as to ensure the effective participation of all Ivoriens in the democratic process in Côte d'Ivoire
- 27. In view of the grave situation, the Authority mandated the current Chairman to send a delegation of members of the ECOWAS Mediation and Security Council to Abidjan as soon as possible.
- 28 The Authority also condemned the loss of human lives and wanton destruction of property that followed the presidential election held in November 2000. It stressed the need for an international commission of inquiry into the killings that took place, with a view to identifying those responsible for the massacres.

Senegal

29. The Authority of Heads of State and Government commended His Excellency, Abdoulaye Wade, President of the Republic of Senegal, for his recent peace moves in initiating dialogue with the separatist fighters in Casamance. The Authority called on all ECOWAS Member States, particularly the neighbouring States, to uphold the peace process in Senegal.

Guinea Bissau

- 30. The Authority, reaffirming its commitment to the ECOWAS Declaration of Political Principles, strongly condemned the attempt to overthrow the democratically elected government of Guinea Bissau, and insisted on the need to respect constitutional order and the rule of law in order to strengthen the democratic process in that country. It also stressed the need for national reconciliation, as set out in the Abuja Agreement. To this end, the Authority urged the Government of Guinea Bissau to look into the issue of the status of former President Joao Bernardo VIEIRA, and to accord him the privileges due by virtue of that status.
- 31. The Authority, aware of the crucial importance of putting the Guinea Bissau economy back on track after several months of conflict, requested the donor community to, particularly the Bretton Wood institutions, lend immediate technical and financial assistance to Guinea Bissau.

COOPERATION WITH DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS

32. ECOWAS Heads of State and Government reiterated their gratitude to their development partners, particularly the OAU, the European Union, USAID, the ECA, the World Bank, the IMF, ITU, FAO, Japan, Canada, and Germany for the various forms of assistance they have provided in support of the regional integration process. They encouraged the ECOWAS Executive Secretariat to resume cooperation with the ADB and to pursue efforts aimed at extending cooperation to other partners, in particular, the Scandinavian and Arab countries

ISSUES FOR FURTHER STUDY

- 33. The Authority underscored the need to intensify regional cooperation and integration efforts. To this end, it directed the Executive Secretariat to organise consultations on the measure ECOWAS could take in order to carry out its mission successfully. The consultations should cover the following issues:
 - i) practising bilingualism with Community Institutions;
 - establishment of an ECOWAS Police Force to combat insecurity and trans-border crimes;
 - iii) rotation of the post of Chairman of ECOWAS among Member States;
 - iv) institutional reform: establishment of a Government of the Community with well-defined sectoral responsibilities;
 - choice of a name for the Community and designation of a capital for West Africa.

DATEAND VENUE OF THE NEXT SUMMIT

34. Heads of State and Government decided to re-elect His Excellency, Alpha Oumar Konare, President of the Republic of Mali, as Chairman of the ECOWAS Authority of Heads of State and Government. The next session of the Authority will be held in December 2001 at a venue to be determined by consultations.

DONE AT BAMAKO THIS 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000

TWENTY - FOURTH SUMMIT SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT Bamako, 15th-16th December 2000

VOTE OF THANKS

Heads of State and Government expressed their profound gratitude to the current Chairman, His Excellency, Alpha Oumar Konare, President of the Republic of Mali, and to the government and people of Mali for the warm and fraternal welcome extended to them during their stay in Bamako. The Authority commended President Konare for the exemplary leadership he has consistently shown, and for his personal interest in finding solutions to the different crises affecting the sub-region.



Twenty-third Session of the Authority of Heads of State and Government Abuja, 28 - 29 May 2000

DECISION A/DEC.1/5/2000 RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF AN ECOWAS PASSPORT

The Authority of Heads of State and Government;

MINDFUL of articles 7, 8 and 9 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Authority of Heads of State and Government and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Article 50 of the Revised Treaty under which Member States undertake to ensure that Community Citizens have full enjoyment of their rights within and outside the Community;

MINDFUL of protocol A/P1/5/79 dated 29 May 1979 on free movement of persons, right of residence and of establishment;

MINDFUL of decision A/DEC.2/7/85 introducing the ECOWAS travel certificate;

WISHFUL of encouraging all measures capable of enhancing the belief of ECOWAS nationals in the membership of their Community;

CONVINCED of the need to adopt an ECOWAS passport with a view to facilitating the movement of nationals both within and outside the ECOWAS Community, and consecrating the fact of West African citizenship;



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CONSIDERING the report of the meeting of the Ministers of Internal Affairs and National Security held in Bamako on 12 May 2000;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the 46th Session of the Council of Ministers held in Abuja on 24 and 25 May 2000;

DECIDES

Article 1:

There is hereby established an ECOWAS passport for all nationals of ECOWAS Member States. The characteristics of the said passport are detailed in the annex to this decision.

Article 2:

There shall be three (3) types of passports: the ordinary, the service and the diplomatic.

Article 3:

The ECOWAS passport shall be issued by each Member State to its nationals, in compliance with the legislation in force on such matters in the Member States.

Article 4:

There shall be a transitional period of five (5) years from the date of signature of this decision. During the transitional period, the ECOWAS Passport will be in use side by side with the national passport which would be phased out at the end of five (5) years.



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Article 5:

This decision shall be published by the Executive Secretariat in the Official Journal of the Community within thirty (30) days of signature by the Chairman of the Authority. It shall also be published by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same time-frame.

Done at Abuja, this 29th Day of May 2000

His Excellency Alpha Oumar Konare

Chairman For the Authority