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RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE FORUM OF MINISTERS IN CHARGE OF SECURITY IN MEMBER STATES OF THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES (ECOWAS)

#### **PREAMBLE**

The Ministers of the Member States of the Economic Community of West African States in charge of Security;

**MINDFUL** of the ECOWAS Treaty and its supplementary texts;

**MINDFUL** of the ECOWAS Protocol on free movement of persons;

**MINDFUL** of Convention A/P. 1/7/92 on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters dated 29 July 1992;

**MINDFUL** of Convention A/P.1/8/94 on extradition dated 6 August 1994;

MINDFUL of the Protocol relating to the Mechanism for Conflict Prevention, Management and Resolution, peace-keeping and Security of 10 December 1999:

**MINDFUL** of the Protocol A/P.33/12/01 on the fight against Corruption dated 21 December 2001 and the ECOWAS Plan of Action on the Fight against Trafficking in Persons;

**CONSCIOUS** of the need to combat crimes which constitute a serious threat to the security, peace and stability of countries in the sub-region and also impede the development of West Africa;

**CONVINCED** that the adoption of a common policy on trans-border crime constitutes the most appropriate means of ensuring lasting peace and promoting balanced socio-economic development;

**DESIROUS** of promoting closer cooperation between the security agencies of Member States of the Community in order to ensure greater protection of human lives and property;

**DETERMINED** to harmonise Community instruments, with a view to addressing the existing lapses in the area of cooperation between the police forces of ECOWAS Member States;

**REALISING** the need to adapt the cooperation to the imperative of constructing ECOWAS and ensuring its development;

RECALLING THE ESTABLISHMENT IN Abuja (Nigeria) in 1997 of a platform for annual consultations among Ministers in charge of security and a Committee of West African Chiefs of Police;

**BEARING IN MIND** the principles set out in the United Nations Charter, the Charter of the Organisation of African Unity/Constitutive Act of the African Union and their supplementary protocols;

ALSO BEARING IN MIND the directives of the Authority of Heads of States and Government of 28 May 2000 relating to the establishment of a Criminal Intelligence and Investigation Bureau, the principles and objectives of the Committee of West African Chiefs of Police (WAPCCO), the Intergovernmental Action Group Against Money Laundering (GIABA), and the Drug Control Unit established by ECOWAS, as well as those of the Interpol sub-regional Office in Abidjan;

#### **HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:**

**CHAPTER 1: DEFINITIONS** 

#### Article 1

For the purpose of this Agreement,

"ICPO-Interpol" means International Criminal Police Organisation;

"WAPCCO" means the Committee of West African Chiefs of Police; "ECOWAS" means the Economic Community of West African States;

"Authority" means the Authority of Heads of State and Government established by Article 7 of the ECOWAS Treaty;

"Council of Ministers" means Council of Ministers established by article 10 of the ECOWAS Treaty;

"Community" means the Economic Community of West African States, established under Article 2 of the ECOWAS Treaty;

"Crime" or "Organised crime" means any act involving illicit trafficking in drugs, terrorism, trafficking in persons, money laundering, counterfeiting, and other forms of transnational crime;

"Member State" means a Member State of the Community;

- "NCB-Interpol" means the National Central Bureau of the International Criminal Police Organisation:
- "Executive Secretary" means the ECOWAS Executive Secretary appointed in accordance with Article 18 of the ECOWAS Treaty;
- "Executive Secretariat" means the ECOWAS Executive Secretariat established by article 17 of the Treaty;
- "Security services" means the Customs, Gendarmerie, Police and other law enforcement agencies;
- "Sub-region" means the West African sub-region;
- "Treaty" means the Treaty of the Economic Community of West African States signed in Cotonou (Benin) on 24 July 1993:

#### **CHAPTER II: NAME AND MANDATE**

#### Article 2

#### Name

- The framework for consultation established in Abuja (Nigeria) in 1997 between the Ministers in charge of security in the Member States of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) is hereby transformed into the forum of Ministers in charge of security.
- The Forum of Ministers in charge of security shall be a specialized consultative organ of ECOWAS.
- 3. In accordance with the provisions of Article 6.2 of the ECOWAS Treaty, the Forum shall act within the limits of the powers conferred on it by the Treaty and the supplementary protocols.

#### Article 3:

#### Mandate

The Forum of Ministers in charge of security shall:

- a). Implement the directives issued by the Authority of Heads of State as they relate to the fight against transnational crime in West Africa;
- b). Submit to ECOWAS Member States

- proposals for the amendment and harmonization of laws relating to the fight against certain forms of crime;
- c). Issue necessary directives to WAPCCO and CIIB and to all other agencies established by ECOWAS for the purpose of combating crime;
- d). Approve statutory documents, work programmes, as well as decisions and recommendations by WAPCCO and CIIB decision-making authorities;
- e). Recommend to the Council of Ministers the appointments of the Director-General, Deputy Director-General and the Financial Controller of CIIB:
- f). Take whatever initiatives it may deem necessary, with a view to ensuring security and strengthening cooperation in the fight against crime in West Africa.

## CHAPTER III: CHAIRMANSHIP AND MEETING OF THE FORUM: PROCEEDINGS AND DISCUSSIONS

#### Article 4:

#### **Chairmanship of the Forum**

The forum is chaired each year by the Member State elected chairman of the Authority

#### Article 5:

#### **Meetings of the Forum**

- 1. The Forum of Ministers in charge of security shall meet at least once a year in ordinary session.
- 2. Whenever the need arises, the Forum may meet in an extraordinary session, at the initiative of the Chairman or on the directives of the Authority of Heads of State and Government or at the request of an ECOWAS Member State provided that such request is supported by a simple majority of the members.
- 3. The Executive Secretary shall issue letters of invitations to participants for the meetings of the Forum.

#### Article 6:

#### **Venue of the Sessions of the Forum**

- The ordinary and extra-ordinary sessions shall be held in countries that are willing to host. The Chairman of the session shall call for volunteers from amongst the Ministers present.
- 2). The ordinary and extra-ordinary sessions may also be held at the Executive Secretariat.

#### Article 7:

#### Chairmanship of the meeting

- The Minister of the Member State elected as Chairman of the Authority shall preside over the meetings of the forum.
- 2. In the absence of the Chairman, the Minister of the host country shall chair the meeting;
- Where such a Minister is not available the Ministers present at the meeting shall elect one from among themselves to chair the meeting.

#### Article 8:

#### **Delegations**

- Each Member State shall be represented at meetings of the Forum by its Minister in charge of security.
- However, in the event that the Minister cannot attend the meeting, he may be represented by a member of his delegation whom shall receive from his State, full powers to take decisions in the name of his country.
- Where necessary, the delegations may be accompanied by specialists or experts on the issues on the agenda of the meeting.
- Regional and international organizations may be invited to attend sessions of the Forum as observers.

#### Article 9:

#### Seating arrangement

In the meeting room, the delegations shall be

arranged in alphabetical order of the countries.

#### Article 10:

#### Agenda of meetings

The Executive Secretary of ECOWAS shall prepare a draft agenda which shall be sent to participating countries.

#### Article 11:

#### Items on the agenda of an ordinary Session.

The main items to be included in the agenda of an ordinary session of the Forum shall be the following:

- Report by the outgoing Chairman on the status of implementation of the decisions and recommendations of the preceding meeting;
- lssues prescribed by the Authority for consideration;
- c). Issues proposed by the West African Chiefs of Police;
- d). Issues proposed by any Member State;
- e). Issues proposed by the Executive Secretariat;
- f). Activity report of the C.I.I.B;
- g). Any other matters.

#### Article 12:

#### Adoption of agenda

The agenda shall be adopted at the beginning of the meeting based on a list of items established according to priority.

#### Article 13:

#### Open and close door sessions

The Forum shall deliberate in closed sessions. Only the opening and closing ceremonies shall be open to the press and the invited guests.

#### Article 14:

#### **Conduct of the Meeting**

 Proposals or draft Recommen-dations for consideration at a meeting of the Forum shall be submitted in writing to the Executive Secretary who shall communicate the text in advance of the meeting to Member States of the Forum. However the forum may, if it deems it expedient or desirable, consider a proposal or draft recommendation in respect of which no text has been circulated in advance of a meeting.

- A proposal or draft Recommendation may be amended or withdrawn by the member who sponsored it.
- During the consideration of any matter at a meeting of the Forum, the Chairman may read out a list of speakers and with the consent of the meeting, declare the list closed.
- 4. Participants take the floor during the course of the meeting on the authorisation of the chairman.
- 5. Notwithstanding the provision of paragraph 3 of this article, the chairman may decide to grant any member of the forum the right of reply if a speech made after the list of speakers is closed, justifies that decision.
- During the consideration of any matter, any member of the forum may raise a point of order and the chairman shall make his ruling immediately.
- Any member of the Forum may move that the consideration of a matter be postponed or closed. A Member may support this motion and another oppose it, where upon the forum shall immediately take a decision on the motion.
- 8. During the consideration of any matter any Member of the Forum may move that the meeting be suspended or adjourned.
- The following motions shall take precedence in the order in which they are set out hereunder, over any other proposals or motion, that may be made or moved.
  - a). To raise a point of procedure, order or information;
  - b). To suspend the meeting;
  - c). To adjourn the meeting;

- d). To adjourn the meeting to a fixed day or hour
- e). To postpone consideration of the matter until a fixed day or sine die;
- f). To introduce an amendment;
- g). To end the consideration of a matter.

#### Article 15:

#### **Intervention by Observers**

- 1. Observers may be allowed to take the floor during plenary sessions of the Forum, with the permission of the Chairman.
- 2. However, the intervention of observers shall be limited to technical matters.

### CHAPTER IV: Quorum Recommendation and Votes

#### Article 16:

#### Quorum

Meetings shall be properly constituted when at least nine (9) Member States are duly represented.

#### Article 17

#### Recommendations

- 1. The forum of Ministers shall make recommendations to the Authority for adoption. Such recommendations are made during plenary sessions.
- 2. The recommendations of the forum which are adopted by the Authority shall be binding on the Member States and on the Institutions of the Community.

#### Article 18:

#### Votes

- Each delegation shall be entitled to one vote.
- 2. Only the Ministers shall have the right to vote. In the absence of a Minster, his duly authorized representative may vote on his behalf, in accordance with Article 6.2 above.

3. Observers shall have no right to vote.

#### Article 19:

#### **Voting procedure**

- Resolutions adopted during meetings of the Forum shall be by a simple majority of the members present.
- Voting shall be by show of hands, except in cases where secret ballot is necessary.

### CHAPTER V: SECRETARIAT AND WORKING LANGUAGES

#### Article 20:

#### **Secretariat**

- The Executive Secretary shall attend all sessions of the Forum. He may be represented.
- 2. The Executive Secretary in Consultation with the Chairman of WAPCCO and the Director-general of CIIB shall ensure that the working documents are prepared and diligently distributed. He shall service the sessions of the Forum in collaboration with the chairman of WAPCCO, the Director-General of CIIB and the competent authorities of the host country.

#### Article 21:

#### Reports of meetings

- The sessions of the forum shall have a report of their proceedings which shall be adopted by the participants and signed by the chairman. Such reports shall be drafted in the working languages of the Community and may either be confidential or made public;
- 2). The Executive Secretary shall without delay, transmit to all Member States, the reports of the sessions.

#### Article 22:

#### Working languages

The working languages of the meeting of the Forum of Ministers in charge of security shall be the official

Community languages: English, French and Portuguese.

#### **CHAPTER VI: FINAL PROVISIONS**

#### Article 23:

#### **Entry into force**

The present Rules of Procedure shall enter into force upon signature by the Ministers in charge of security.

#### Article 24:

#### **Amendment**

- The present Rules of Procedure may be amended. Proposals for amendment may be made by the Forum of Ministers, a member country, or on the directives of the Authority of Heads of State and Government.
- All amendments to the present Rules of Procedure shall be compatible with the provisions of the ECOWAS Treaty and supplementary protocols.
- 3. The Forum shall examine and adopt the proposals for amendment.

DONE AT LOME, THIS ..7th..... DAY OF MARCH 2003, IN THREE ORIGINAL IN THE ENGLISH, FRENCH, AND PORTUGUESE LANGUAGES, ALL TEXTS BEING EQUALLY AUTHENTIC.

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DECISION CA/MSC/DEC.1/5/03 RELATING TO THE REVIEW OF THE MANDATE OF THE ECOWAS CEASEFIRE MONITORING FORCE IN COTE D'IVOIRE

ABUJA, MAY 2003

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MEDIATION AND SECURITY COUNCIL, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE MEDIATION AND SECURITY COUNCIL AT THE LEVEL OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT,

MINDFUL of Article 58 (2) of the ECOWAS Treaty wherein the Member States undertake to cooperate with the Community in establishing and strengthening appropriate mechanisms for the timely prevention and resolution of conflicts;

MINDFUL of the Protocol relating to the Mechanism on Conflict Prevention, Management and Resolution, Peace-keeping and Security;

MINDFUL of the Ceasefire Declaration issued by the Patriotic Movement of Cote d'Ivoire on 17 October 2002 and accepted by the Government of Cote d'Ivoire on 13 January 2003;

MINDFUL of the Ceasefire Agreement concluded on 13 January 2003 between the Government of the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire, the MPIGO (Mouvement Populaire Ivoirien du Grand Quest), the MJP (Mouvement pour la Justice et la Paix);

MINDFUL of paragraph 14 of the Final Communique issued by the Summit of Heads of State and Government of the ECOWAS Contact Group held on 23 October 2002, ordering the mobilisation and deployment of an ECOWAS Monitoring Group in Cote d'Ivoire;

MINDFUL of the Agreement signed by the Ivorian political actors attending the round table conference held at Unas Marcoussis from 15 to 23 January 2003;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC, 1/12/02, dated 18 December 2002 appointing a Commander for the ECOWAS Ceasefire Monitoring Force in Cote d'Ivoire;

**CONSIDERING** the need to prevent the irreversible degradation of the situation in Cote d'Ivoire;

**DESIRING** to review the mandate of the ECOWAS Force in Cote d'Ivoire to reflect the new responsibilities assigned to it as a result of the

developments in the situation in the country, particularly at the political level, and in view of the security situation in the west of the country;

**ON THE RECOMMENDATION** of the tenth ministerial meeting of the Mediation and Security Council held in Abidjan on 7 April 2003;

**ACTING** within the framework of Article 10 (d) and (e) of the Protocol relating to the Mechanism for Conflict Prevention, Management and Resolution, Peace-keeping and Security;

#### **DECIDES:**

#### Article 1

The mandate of the ECOWAS Ceasefire Monitoring Force in Cote d'ivoire is hereby reviewed.

#### Article 2

The revised mandate of the ECOWAS Ceasefire Monitoring Force in Cote d'ivoire shall be as follows:

- to monitor the ceasefire;
- to ensure the security of the observers and of humanitarian agencies;
- to facilitate the movement of persons, goods and services;
- to ensure the security of the dignitaries who took part in the Marcoussis conference and, where necessary, that of members of the government of national reconciliation;
- to contribute to the implementation of the Linas-Marcoussis Agreement;
- without prejudice to the responsibilities of the government of national reconciliation, to ensure the protection of civilians facing immediate physical threat in the areas under its control, using all means at its disposal, whenever the need arises;
- to contribute to the regrouping and disarmament of the opposing forces.

#### Article 3

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

DONE AT ABUJA THIS 28TH DAY OF MAY 2803

H.E. JOHN A. KUFUOR
CHAIRMAN
FOR THE MEDIATION AND SECURITY COUNCIL

## DECLARATION ON A SUB-REGIONAL APPROACH TO PEACE AND SECURITY

WE, HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT OF THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST A FRICAN STATES, MEETING IN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION IN ABUJA, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA, ON 28 MAY 2003, ON THE OCCASION OF THE TWENTY-EIGHTHANNIVERSARY OF OUR COMMUNITY.

HAVING CONSIDERED the Report of the ECOWAS Executive Secretary on the security situation in the sub-region, the Report of the Ministerial Mission on fund-raising for the ECOWAS Mission in Cote d'Ivoire, and other recommendations therein contained:

**CONSIDERING** that several of our Member States have been experiencing violent internal conflicts over the last ten (10) years;

**DEPLORING** the numerous losses in human lives, the unwarranted destruction of property, the atrocities, the sufferings and distress caused to many people, and particularly, to those who have been displaced or forced into exile by these crises;

**SERIOUSLY CONCERNED** about the prolonged crises being experienced by some Member States, and aware that it may lead to instability in the entire sub-region;

CONSCIOUS that the recurring instability felt in some Member States are the repercussions of the unresolved crises prevailing in other Member States as has been the case of the spill over of the prolonged crisis in Liberia into Sierra Leone and now Cote d'Ivoire;

**ACKNOWLEDGING** the existence of complex internal problems in a number of countries and the need to assist in finding a quick solution to them, within a regional approach to conflict resolution;

**CONVINCED** that only a concerted regional approach can guarantee peace, security and stability in the sub-region;

**RECALLING** that we have in the past pledged to undertake certain collective measures to achieve regional peace and security as contained in the following:

- the Protocol on Non-Aggression adopted on 22 April 1978;
- ii) the Protocol on Mutual Assistance in Defence Matters of 29 May 1981;
- iii) the ECOWAS Declaration of Political Principles of 6 July 1991;
- iv) the ECOWAS Declaration on a Moratorium on Import, Export and Manufacturing of Light Weapons dated 31st October 1998;
- v) the Protocol relating to the Mechanism for Conflict Prevention, Management, Resolution, Peacekeeping and Security dated 10 December 1999;
- vi) The ECOWAS Protocol on Democracy and Good Governance of 21st December 2001.

**MINDFUL** of the operational difficulties in the full and effective implementation of our regional efforts for crisis resolution, preservation of peace and security;

**REALISING** the inadequate capacity of the regional institutions in terms of manpower, information communication technology, planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of regional peace and security programmes;

**CONSCIOUS** that the weak economies of our Member States limit their ability to finance adequately the priority needs of our people, including operations for the building and preservation of peace and security in the region;

**EXPRESSING** our appreciation to the International Community for the military material financial and political assistance it has granted us to support our efforts in favour of the preservation of peace in West Africa, particularly in Sierra Leone and Cote d'Ivoire;

**REAFFIRMING** our commitment to a regional approach to put an end to ail conflicts and crises in the sub-region;

 DECIDE to re-energize our collective efforts to restore and preserve peace and security in the sub-region, in particular in Liberia and Cote d'Ivoire through the following measures:

#### **SECURITY MATTERS**

2. REITERATE our determination to accentuate our efforts aimed at restoring

peace, security and stability in crisis torn Member States:

- PLEDGE to augment the level of troops in Cote divoire to meet the expanded mandate of the ECOWAS Mission in Cote d'Ivoire (ECOMICI);
- 4. UNDERTAKE to activate the stand-by units within the Armed Forces of Member States for establishment of an ECOWAS Rapid Response Force;
- 5. UNDERTAKE to explore with the United Nations and the International Contact Group on Liberia, an appropriate Monitoring Mechanism for a ceasefire for the end of hostilities and the stabilisation of the situation in Liberia:
- 6. REAFFIRM our commitment to abide strictly by the ECOWAS Moratorium on the Importation, Exportation and Manufacture of Light Weapons and the provisions of the United Nations and AU Conventions on the banning, recruitment, use, financing and training of mercenaries;
- 7. UNDERTAKE to ban the recruitment and training of militias and irregular armed groups and, to make every effort to disarm them immediately and put a stop to their activities:
- REITERATE our determination to take all necessary measures to fight against the conscription and use of child soldiers and to demobilise them.
- 9. REAFFIRM our determination to seek the resources that would enable us assist the children concerned including providing appropriate psychological assistance and establishing suitable reintegration programmes for them.
- 10. REAFFIRM ALSO our determination to endow our sub-region with adequate peacekeeping capacities and call on our partners as well as the international community to assist us in this regard.

#### **POLITICAL MATTERS**

- 11. **RE-AFFIRM** our commitment to promote and consolidate democracy, good governance and the rule of law in the subregion, and consequently renew our commitment to the following principles:
  - Non-recognition of any body who takes over power by force;
  - ii) Respect for constitutional legality, the rule of law and human rights, and the ECOWAS Protocols on free movement of persons, goods and services
  - iii) Recourse to dialogue as a preferred instrument for conflict resolution;
  - iv) Encourage and promote initiatives by non-governmental organisations and civil society groups aimed at promoting peace and ensuring regional integration.
- 12. ACKNOWLEDGE the fruitful partnership between ECOWAS and the international community in the advancement of democracy, the resolution of crisis and the preservation of peace and security in our sub-region.
- 13. CALL UPON the international community, in particular, the United Nations, the European Union, the G8, and relevant international financial institutions to continue to support the efforts of ECOWAS and its Member States in the context of a regional approach to bring to an end the interlocking crisis in Liberia and Cote d'Ivoire, to prevent the spread of the crisis to other countries, and to assist Sierra Leone in consolidating the peace and in post conflict reconstruction and rehabilitation.
- 14. AFFIRM our determination to discharge faithfully our responsibilities arising from the commitments we have entered into in this Declaration.

IN FAITH WHEREOF WE, THE HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT OF THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES, HAVE SIGNED THIS DECLARATION IN ABUJA, THIS 28th MAY 2003 IN SINGLE ORIGINAL IN THE ENGLISH AND FRENCH LANGUAGES, BOTH TEXTS BEING EQUALLY AUTHENTIC.

His Excellency Mathieu KÉRÉKOU President of the Republic of Benin

His Excellency Blaise COMPAORÉ
President Faso,

Chairman of the Council of Ministers

His Excellency Laurent GBAGBO

President of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire

H.E. Madam Fatima VEISA

Minister of Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and Communities

For and on behalf of the President of the Republic of Cape Verde

His Excellency John Agyekun KUFOR
President of the Republic of Ghana

His Excellency Dr. Alhaji Yahya AJJ. JAMMEH President of the Republic of The Gambia

Hon. Lamine SIDIME

Prime Minister, representing the President of the Republic of Guinea His Excellency Koumba Yala Kobde

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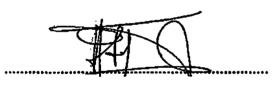


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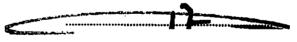
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His Excellency Alhaji Dr. Ahmad Tejan KABBAH
President of the Republic of Sierra Leone



**His Excellency Gnassingbé EYADEMA**President of the Togolese Republic

## FIFTIETH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS Abuja, 26 - 27 June 2003

Regulation C/REG 1/06/03 Authorising the Promotion of Officers of Institutions other than the Financial Institutions of the Community

#### 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 Regulation C/REG 4/12/99 adopting the Staff Rules and Regulations of the ECOWAS institutions:

**MINDFUL** of Regulation C/REG 9/12/99 approving the restructuring of the Executive Secretariat:

**MINDFUL** of Regulation C/REG 1/4/02 on the enhancement of the internal organisation of the Executive Secretariat;

**MINDFUL** of Regulation C/REG 2/8/02 authorising the recruitment of permanent professional staff by the Executive Secretariat;

**CONSIDERING** that several of the posts declared vacant at the ECOWAS institutions have yet to be filled;

**CONCERNED** to provide the ECOWAS institutions with qualified, competent senior officers capable of responding to the demands of the duties assigned to them, as well as the means needed to enhance their performance;

NOTING THAT many highly qualified and experienced officers have served for many years with competence and devotion without any promotion;

**DESIROUS** from henceforth of providing the staff of the ECOWAS institutions with incentives by introducing an equitable review of their scheme of service, and consequently authorising the Heads of institution to promote those of their staff members who have proven their efficiency and dedication to work;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the inaugural meeting of the ad hoc ministerial meeting on the harmonisation of the ECOWAS texts held in Accra on 19 June 2003;

#### **ENACTS**

#### Article 1

- That the Heads of institution shall fill the vacant posts from among the ranks of deserving serving officers;
- 2. That the Heads of institution shall also recruit applicants to the other vacant posts, in conformity with the procedure in force.

#### Article 2

- During the promotion of serving officers, the Heads of institution shall ensure that the officers hold the required qualifications, have proven skills and the necessary experience.
- 2. The Heads of institution shall also take into account the principle of equitable geographical distribution among nationals of all the Member States, and adopt a gender approach.

#### **Article 3**

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

Done at Abuja, this 27th day of June 2003

Chairman for Council

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Hon. Dr. Kofi Konadu APRAKU

#### FIFTIETH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS Abuja, 26 - 27 June 2003

Regulation C/REG 2/06/03 Authorising the Recruitment by the Executive Secretariat of a Lawyer Specialising in the Drafting of Legal Texts

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

**MINDFUL** of Regulation C/REG 4/12/99 adopting the Staff Rules and Regulations of the ECOWAS institutions:

**MINDFUL** of Regulation C/REG 9/12/99 approving the restructuring of the Executive Secretariat;

**CONSIDERING** the vital role of the Legal Department in the drafting of ECOWAS texts;

**CONSIDERING** that the drafting of legal texts demands the skill of lawyers well-versed in the techniques of the drafting of such acts;

**WISHING** to build up the professional staff strength of the Legal Department in order to improve the quality of the ECOWAS legal texts;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the inaugural meeting of the ad hoc ministerial committee on the harmonisation of the texts of the Community held in Accra on 19 June 2003:

#### **ENACTS**

#### **Article 1**

The Executive Secretariat is hereby authorised to recruit a lawyer specialising in the drafting of legal texts to serve in the Legal Department as a Grade P4 officer:

#### Article 2

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

#### Done at Abuja, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 2003

Chairman for Council



Hon, Dr. Kofi Konadu APRAKU

#### Fourth Session of the Council of Ministers Abuja 26 - 27 June 2003

REGULATION C/REG 3/06/03 ON THE 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 Decision A/DEC.6/7/92 dated 29<sup>th</sup> 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 Regulation C/REG.3/4/02 dated 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2002 of the Council of Ministers establishing procedure for the approval of originating products to benefit under the ECOWAS Trade Liberalisation Scheme;

**MINDFUL** of the Protocol A/P1/03 dated 31<sup>st</sup> January 2003 defining the concept of products originating from ECOWAS Member States;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of 45<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Trade, Customs, Taxation Statistics and Payments Commission held in Abuja from 20<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>th</sup> June 2003.

#### **ENACTS**

#### Article 1

The Industrial enterprises and products fulfilling the ECOWAS rules of origin listed in the attached annex are approved for the benefit of preferential treatment under the ECOWAS Trade Liberalisation Scheme.

#### Article 2

The Executive Secretariat shall give each enterprise concerned, an approval number which must feature on the certificate of origin and on the ECOWAS customs declaration and inform Member States accordingly.

#### Article 3

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

#### 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 it National Gazette within the same time frame.

Done at Abuja, this 27th day of June 2003

Chairman For Council

Hon. Dr. Kofi Konadu APRAKU

#### LISTE DES ENTREPRISES ET PRODUITS INDUSTRIELS AGREES (JUIN 2003) LIST OF APPROVED ENTERPRISES AND INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS (JUNE 2003)

				NUMERO D'AGREMENT DU PROD PRODUCT APPROVAL NUMBER				
Identité des Entreprises par Etats Membres / Identity of enterprises by Member States	Tarif/ Tariff	Désignation /Description	d'imma de l'E	uméro atriculation ntreprtse/ tration N*	N*			
			Code Pays/ Country Code	Numéro d'ordrede l'Entreprise /Sequence number of Enterprise		Année/ Year		
BENIN 0001. Soctété Industrielfle l' Acier du Bénfn s.a. (S.I.AB >.a.). >K 16, Djeffa, Route de Porto Novo 05 BP 673 Cotonou Bénin Tel. 229 240050/51	7214	Barres en fer ou en aciers non alliés, simplement forgées, laminées ou filées à chaud ainsi que celles ayant subi une torsion après laminage. / other bars and rods of iron or non -alloy steel, not further worked than forged, hot-rolled, hot-drawn or hot-extruded, but including those twisted after rolling.						
	7214.10.00	- Forgées ( fer à béton)/ Forged	204	0005	01	03		
	7214.20.00	<ul> <li>Comportant des indentations, bourrelets creux ou reliefs obtenus au cours du laminage ou ayant subi une torsion aprés laminage ( fer à béton)/ Containing identations, ribs, grooves or other deformations produced during the rolling process or twisted after rolling.</li> </ul>	204	0005	02	03		
	7317.00.00	Pointes, clous, punaises, crampons et articles similaires, en fonte, fer ou acier, / Nails, tacks, drawing pins, corrugated nails, staples and similar articles, of iron or steel	204	0005	03	03		

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0002 La COMPAGNIE Béninoise des Textiles (CTB) BP 294 LOKOSSA BENIN	5205	Fits de coton (autres que les fiis à coudre), contenant au moins 85 % en poids de coton, non conditionnés pour la vente au détail non conditionnés pour la vente au détail - Fils simples, en fibres non peignées / Cotton yarn (other than sewing thread), containing 85% or more by weight of cotton, not put up for retail sale Single yarn, of uncombed fibres :	-			
	5205.12.00	Titrant morns de 714,29 décitex mats pas moins de 232,56 décitex (excédant 14 numéros métriques mais n'excédant pas 43 numéros métriques) / Measuring less than 714.29 decitex but not less than 232,56 decitex (exceeding 14 metric number but not exceeding 43 metric number)	204	0006	01	03
	5205.13.00	- Titrant moins de 232,56 décitex mais pas moins de 192,31 décitex (excédant 43 numéros métriques mais n'excédant pas 52 numéros métriques) /Measuring less than 232.56 decitex but not less than 192.31 decitex (exceeding 43 metric number but not exceeding 52 metric number)	384	0006	02	03
	5205.14.00	Titrant moins de 192,31 décitex mais pas moins de 125 décitex (excédant 52 numéros métriques mais n'excédant pas 80 numéros métriques) / Measuring less than 192.31 decitex but not less than 125 decitex (exceeding 52 metric number but not exceeding 80 metric number)	384	0006	03	03

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	5208.12.00	Tissus de coton, contenant au moins 85% en poids de coton, d'un poids n'excédant pas 200 g/m2, écrus à armure toile, d'un poids excédant 100 g/m2 / Woven fabrics of cotton, containing 85% or more by weight of cotton, weighing not more than 200g/m²; unbleached, plain weave, weighing more than 100g/m²	204	0006	04	03		
COTE D'IVOIRE  0001 SICABLE 15 BP 35 Abidjan 15 tel : 21213540	7413.00.00	Torons, câbles, tresses et articles similaires, en cuivre, non isolés pour l'électricite. / Stranded wire, cables, plaited bands and the like, of copper, not electrically insulated.	384	0047	01	03		
fax. 21213545	7614.90.00	Torons, câbles, tresses et similaires, en aluminium, non isolés pour l'électricité./ Stranded wire, cables, plaited bands and the like, of aluminium, not electrically insulated.	384	0047	02	03		
	8544.49.00	<ul> <li>- Autres conducteurs électriques, pour tensions n'excédant pas 80 V :/ Other electric conductors, for a voltage not exceeding 80V;</li> </ul>	384	0047	03	03		
	8544.59.00	- Autres conducteurs électriques, pour tensions excédant 80 V mais n'excédant pas 1.000 V : / Other electric conductors, for a voltage exceeding 80V but not exceeding 1,000V;	384	0047	04	03		
0002 Compagnie des Scieries Africainess BP211 Gand Bassam tél. :21303925 Fax:21312650	4412.2200	- Autres bois contre-plaqués : ayant au moins un pli en bo tropicaux :/ other plywood,with at least one ply of wood;	s 384	0048	01	03		
	4412.93.00	Autres contreplaqués , contenant au moins un panneau de particules/ Other plywood, containing at least one layer of particle board;	384	0048	02	03		

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	441810	- Fenétres, portes-fenétres et leurs cadres et chambranles en bois / Windows French-windows and their frames of wood	384	0048	03	03
	4418.20.00	- Portes et leurs cadres, chamb ranles et seuils/ Doors and their frames and thresholds, of wood	384	0048	04	03
	4418.30.00	- Panneaux pour parquets / Parquet panels	384	0048	05	03
	4418,90.00	- Autres ouvrages de menuiserie en bois :/ Other carpentry of wood	384	0048	06	03
0003 SOPAM- C.I Zone Industrielle de Yopougon 10 BP 2290 Abidjan 10	3304.99.00.	Autres produits de beauté ou de maquillage/ Other beauty or make-up preparations for the care of the skin	384	0047	01	03
	3305.	Préparations capilaires / Preparations for use on the hair				
	3305.10.00	- Shampooings / Shampoos	384	0049	02	03
	3305.20.00	- Préparations pour l'ondulation ou le défrisage permanents/ Preparations for permanent waving or straightening	384	0049	03	03
	3305.99.00	- Autres / Other	384	0049	04	03
0004 Carosserie Industrielle de Cote d'Ivoire (CARICI) 11BP 1443 Abidjan 11 Tél. 225 21 25 24 05	8702.10.13	Véhicules automobiles pour le transport de personnes, présentés neufs, comportant plus de 30 places assises, chauffeur inclus. / New passenger motor vehicule above 33 seater vehicules, including the driver persons,	384	0039	02	03
	8716.40.00	- Autres remorques et semi-remorques / Other trailers and semi-trailers	384	0039	03	03

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0005 Parfumerie Industrielle	3304.90.00	- Autres produits de beaute ou de maquillage/Other beaty or make-up preparations for the care of the skin	384	0050	01	03
de Còte d'Ivólre (PICOS-CI) 03 BP 723 Abidjan 03 tél.225 23 50 56 04	3305	Préparations capillaires./Preparations for use on the hair	384	0050	02	03
	3305.10.00	- Shampooings / Shampoos	384	0050	03	03
	3305.20.00	- Préparations pour l'ondulation ou le défrisage permanent/ Preparations for permanent waving or straightening	384	0050	04	03
	3305.99.00	- Autres / Other				
	3401.11.90	Autres savons de toilette / Other toilet soaps	384	0050	05	03
0006 Industrie Ivoirienne de plastique (1 1 P C ) 01 BP 3979 Abidjan 01	3904.21.00	Autre poly (chlorure de vinyle) non plastifié/ Other polyvinyl chloride, non-plasticised;	384	0018	05	03
tél. (225) 23509418	3904.22.00	- Autre poly (chlorure de vinyle) : Plastifié /Other polyvinyl chloride , plasticised ;	384	0018	06	03
0007 Socéte Ivoirienne d' Allumettes ( SIVALLUME) 16 BP 294 Abidjan 16 tél.234690115	3605.00.00	Allumettes / Matches	384	0051	01	03
0008 SOCIETE OPALE, ABIDJAN 11 BP 1272 Abidjan 11 Tel: 20 20 19 70 Fax: 20 20 1979	6405.10.00	Autres chaussures à dessus en cuir naturel ou reconstitué/. Other footwear, with uppers of leather or composition leather	384	0052	01	03

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GHANA	3916.20,00	Mono filaments en polymeres du chlorure de vinyle / Monofilament of polymers of ethylene	288	0034	01	03
0001 INTERPLAST LTD. PO Box 1069 Accra Ghana	3917.21.10	Tubes et tuyaux rigides en polymeres de l'ethylene pour canalisation d'eau / Tubes, pipes and hoses, rigid, of polymers of ethylene for water supply	288	0034	01	03
	3917.23.10	- Tubes el tuyaux rigides en polymeres du chlorure de vinyle pour canalisation d'eau /Tubes, pipes and hoses, rigid, of polymers of vinyl chloride, for water supply	288	0034	03	03
	3917.3100	Tubes et tuyaux piastiques, souples pouvant supporter au minimum une pression de 27,6 Mpa / Other flexible tubes, pipes and hoses, having a minimum burst pressure of 27.6MPa	288	0034	04	03
	3917.32.00	Autres tubes et tuyaux piastiques non renforces d'autres matieres ni autrement assoctes d d'autres matieres, sans accessoires/ Other fexible tubes, pipes and hoses, reinforced or otherwise combined with other materials, without fitting;	288	0034	05	03
	3917.40.10	Accessoires en matieres plastiques pour canalisation d'eau Fitting of plastics, for water supply	288	0034	06	03
	3925.20.00	Portes, fen&res et leurs cadres, chambranles et seuils en matieres piastiques / Doors, windows and their frames of plastics	288	0034	07	03
	3925.90.00	Autres Articles d'&quipement pour la construction, en matieres piastiques./ Other builders' ware of plastics	288	0034	07	03

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0002 FOOD TECH LTD. 18 Klan Street off Dadeban road North Irid Area; Accra tél.233 21-221437	2008.1190	Autres arachides / Other ground-nuts	288	0035	01	03	
0003. NOTEX GROUP LTD. Plot 17, Dadeban Road Accra	8424.10.00	Extincteurs, même charges / Fire extinguishers, whether or not charged	288	0036	01	03	
	4205.00.00	Autres ouvrages en cutr nature! ou reconstitu6 /Other articles of lather or composition leather	288	0036	02	03	
0004. HOMEBRANDS LTD. 22 Golf Street Achimota Golf AchimotoAccra	7615.19.00	Autres articles de ménage ou d'économie domesttque en aluminium / other household articles of aluminium	288	0037	01	03	
0005 UNIVERSAL ROYAL PAPER N* 4 KOJO THOMPSON Road PO BOX 932 Accra	4803.00.00	Papiers des types utilisés pour papiers de toilette, pour serviettes à démaquiller, pour essuie-mains, pour serviettes ou pour papiers similaires à usages domestiques, d'hygiène ou de toilette, ouate de cellulose et nappes de fibres de cellulose / Toilet or facial tisse stock, towel or napkin stock and similar paper of a kind used for household or sanitary purpose, cellulose wadding and webs of cellulose fibres.	288	0038	01	03	
	4818.10.00	Papier hygiénique / Toilet paper	288	0038	02	03	
	4818.20.00	Mouchoirs, serviettes à démaquiller et essuie-mains en papier / Handkerchiefs.cleansing or facial tissues and towels paper	288	0038	03	03	
	4818.30.00	Nappes et serviettes de table en papier / Tables cloths and serviettes of paper	288	0038	04	03	
	4818.40.00	Serviettes et tampons hygiéniques, couches pour bébés et articles hygieniques similaires / Sanitary towels and tampons, napkins and napkin liners for babies and similar sanitary articles of paper;	288	0038	05	03	

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0006 GREAT IMPERIAL COMPANY LTD. TEMA- ACCRA	7415.10.00	- Pointes et clous, punaises, crampons appointés et articles similaires en cuivre ou avec tige en fer ou en acier et téte en cuivre / Nails, tacks, drawing and similar articles, of cooper or iron or steel with of cooper;	288	0039	01	03
0007 NAJIM INDUSTRIES LTD. N* 4 KOJO THOMPSON Road PO Box 932 Accra- Ghana	5908.00.00	Mèches tissées, tressées ou tricotées, en matières textiles, pour lampes, réchauds, briquets, bougies ou similaires: / Textiles wicks, woven, plaited or knitted lamps, stoves, lighters, candles or the like;	288	0040	01	03
0008 TRUSTY FOOD LTD Plot n* IND/A/25/2A TEMA	2002.90.10	Concentrés de tomates non conditionnés pour la vente détail / Tomato paste or concentrates, not put for retail sale	288	0041	01	03
	2002.90.20	Concentrés de tomates conditionnés pour la vente au détail / Tomato paste or concentrates, put for retail sale	288	0041	02	03
0009 UNIVERSAL PLASTICS LTD. N*4Kojo THOMPSON Road PO BOX 932 Accra	3923.90.00	Autres articles de transport ou d'emballage, en matières plastiques /Other articles for the conveyance or packing of goods, of plastics	288	0042	01	03
	3924.10.00	Vaisselle et autres articles pour le service de la table ou de la cuisine en matières plastiques / Tableware and kitchenware of plastics;	288	0042	02	03
0010 SUNSHINE INDUSTRY LTD PO Box 1198 TEMA - GHANA. Tél.022 20 4505	9405.91.00	Verres de lampes /Glasses of lamp	288	0043	01	03
0011 GETRADE (GH) LTD. Avenor Junction circle-	1515.90.19	Autres huiles de karité et ses fractions / Other Shea oil and its fractions	288	0044	01	03
NSAWAM Road Accra	3401.11.90	Autres savons de toilettes "/ Other toilet soasps.	288	0044	02	03
	4421.90.90	Autres ouvrages en bois / Otherarticles of wood	288	0044	03 .	03

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0012 DIAMOND CEMENT ( GH) LTD Aflao Ghana	2523.29.00	Autres Ciments Portland /Other Portland cement	288	0045	01	03
0013 JELLY PLASTICS GHANA LTD Plot N° IND/a/43/4 Heavy Industrial Area TEMA	3923.21.00	- Sacs, sachets, pochettes et comets en polymères de l'éthylène / Sacks and bags of polymers of ethylene	288	0046	01	03
0014 AFRUS INDUSTRIES LTD 9* FEO-EYEO Road Accra	2208.30.00	Whysky/ /Whiskies	288	0022	02	03
	2208.70.00	Autres boissons spiritueuses / Other spirituous beverages	288	0022	03	03
0015 NESTLE GHANA LTD. Plot nà 33 Motor way extension ACCRA	2101.12.00	Préparations à base de café: "NESCAFE 3-in-1" / Preparations with a basis of coffee: "NESCAFE 3-in-1"	288	0011	04	03
0016 CROCODILE MATCHETS TEMA Heavy Industrial Area Plot 23/4	8201.99.00	Autres outils agricoles a main en acier: coupe-coupes: / Other handstool of the kind used in agriculture, horticulture or forestry: mattocks;	288	0047	01	03
0017 OSIADAN CONCRETE PRODUCTS LTD. P.O. BOX 13430	6810.19.00	Autres tuiles et articles similaires pour la construction / Other tiles and similar articles of cement or concrete;	288	0048	01	03
ACCRA GHANA	6810.99.00	Autres ouvrages en ciment/ Other articles of cement	288	0048	02	03
0018 AYRTON DRUG LTD. B1/4 ABEKA ROAD TESANO ACCRA	3004.20.00	Médicaments contenant d'autres antibiotiques/ Medicament containing other anti-biotiques	288	0049	01	03
ACCINA	3004.50.00	Autres médicaments contenant des vitamines ou d'autres produits du N* 29.36 / Other medicaments containing vitamins or other products of heading No 2936;	288	0049	02	03
	3004.9000	Autres médicaments / other medicaments	288	0049	03	03
0019. CAMELOT GHANA LTD	4823.90.00	Autres paplers / Other paper;	288	0050	01	03
	4907.00.00	Chèquier / cheque forms	288	0050	02	03

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0020. AKOSOMBO TEXTILES LTD. Akosombo Eastern Region PO Box 1 7 Accra Ghana	5208,12.00	Tissus de coton, contenant au moins 85 % en poids de coton, d'un poids n'excédant pas 200 g/m2; écrus : à armure toile, d'un poids excédant 100 g/m2; / Woven fabrics of ctton, containing 85% or more by weight of cotton, weighing not more than 200g/m²; unbleached, plain weave, weighing more than 100g/m²;	288	0029	02	03		
4	4407	Boissciés ou dédossés longitudinalement tranchés ou déroulés, méme rabotés, poncés ou collés par assemblage en bout, d'une épaisseur excédant 6 mm./ Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, slice or peel, whether or not planed, sanded or finger-jointed, of a thickness exceeding 6mm;						
	4407.10.00	- De conifères / Coniferous	324	0001	01	03		
		- Des bois tropicaux visés à la Note 1 de sous-positions du présent Chapitre : / Of tropical wood specified in heading Note 1to this chapter;	324	0001	02	03		
	4407.24.00	Virola, Mahogany (Swietenia spp.), Imbuia et Balsa/ Virola, Mahogany (Swietenia spp.), Imbuia and Balsa	324	0001	02	03		
	4407.25.00	- Dark Red Meranti, Light Red Meranti et Meranti Bakau /Dark Red Meranti, Light Red Meranti et Meranti Bakau	324	0001	04	03		
	4407.29.00	- Autres bois tropîcaux / Other tropical wood	324	0001	05	03		
		- Autres bois : / Other wood						

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4407.9100	De chéne (Quercus spp.) / Of oak (Quercus spp.)	324	0001	06	03	
4407.92.00	- De hétre (Fagus spp.) / Of beech (Fagus spp.)	324	0001	07	03	
4408	Feuilles pour piacage (y compris celles obtenues par tranchage de bois stratifté), feuilles pour contreplaqués pour autres bois stratifiés similaires et autres bois, sciés longitudinalement, tranchés ou déroulés, méme rabotés, poncés, assemblés bord à bord ou en bout, rabotés, épaisseur n'excédant pas 6 mm,: / Veneer sheets and sheets for plywood (whether or not spliced) and other sawn lengthwise, sliced or peeled, sanded or finger-jointed, of thickness not exceeding 6 mm;					
4408.10.00	- De conifères / Coniferous	324	0001	08	03	
	- Des bois tropicaux visés à la Note 1 de sous- positions du présent Chapitre : / Of tropical wood specified in heading Note 1to this chapter;					
4408.31.00	Dark Red Meranti, Light Red Meranti et Meranti Bakau /Dark Red Meranti, Light Red Meranti and Meranti Bakau	324	0001	09	03	
4408.39.00	- Autres bois tropicaux / Other tropical wood	324	0001	10	03	
4408.90.00	- Autres bois / Other wood	324	0001	11	03	

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4409	Bois profiles au long d'une ou de piusieurs rives, faces ou bouts, m6me rabotes, ponc6s ou coltes par bout./ Wood continuously shaped, along any of its faces, whether or not planed, sanded or finger-jointed				
4409.10.00	- De coniféres /Coniferous	324	0001	12	03
4409.20.00	- Autres que de conifères / Non coniferous	324	0001	13	03
4410	Panneaux de particules et panneaux similaires (panneaux dits « oriented strand board » et panneaux dits « waferboard », par exemple), en bois ou en autres matières ligneuses, même agglomérés avec des résines ou d'autres liants organiques./ Particle board and similar board of or other ligneous materials, whether or not agglomerated with resins or other organic binding substance.				
4410.21.00	<ul> <li>Panneaux dits « oriented strand board » et panneaux dits « waferboard », en bois :/ Oriented strand board and wafer board, of wood Bruts ou simplement ponc6s / Unworked or not worked than sanded;</li> </ul>	324	0001	14	03
4410.29.00	- Autres paneaux en bois / Other particle board	324	0001	15	03
4410.31.00	- Autres, en bois bruts ou simplement poncés / Other , of wood ,unworked or not further worked than sanded :	324	0001	16	03
4410,90.00	- Autres panneaux en autres matières ligneuses / Other board of ligneous materials;	324	0001	17	03

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	4411	Panneaux de fibres de bois ou d'autres matières ligneuses, même agglomérées avec des résines ou d'autres liants organiques. / Fibre board of wood or other ligneous materials, whether or not bonded with resins or other organic substances.				
		- Panneaux de fibres d'une masse volumique excédant 0,8 g/cm3: / Fibre board of a density exceeding 0.8 g / m²				
	4411.1100	Non ouvrés mécaniquement ni recouverts en surface/ Not mechanically worked or surface covered	324	0001	18	03
	4411.19.00	- Autres panneaux de fibres/ Other fibreboard	324	0001	19	03
		- Panneaux de fibres d'une masse volumique excédant 0,5 g/cm3 mats n'excédant pas 0,8 g/cm3 : /Fibre board of a density not exceeding 0.8 g / m²				
	4411.2100	<ul> <li>Non ouvrés mécaniquement ni recouverts en surface / Not mechanically worked or surface covered</li> </ul>	324	0001	20	03
	441129.00	- Autres paneaux de fibres / Other fibre board	324	0001	21	03
·		- Panneaux de fibres d'une masse volumique excédant 0,35 g/cm3 mais n'excédant pas 0,5 g/cm3 : / Fibre board of a density t exceeding 0.35 g / m²but not exceeding 0.5g /m²				
	44113100	- Non ouvrés mécaniquement ni recouverts en surface / Not mechanically worked or surface covered	324	0001	22	03
	441139.00	- Autres panneaux / Other fibre board	324	0001	23	03

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4	1412	Bois contre-plaqués, bois plaqués et bois stratifiés similaires. /Plywood, veneer panels and similar lamined wood				
		- Bois contre-plaqués constitués exclusivement de feuilles de bois dont chacune a une épaisseur n'excédant pas 6 mm : / Plywood consisting solely of sheets of wood, each ply not exceeding 6 mm thickness				
441	2.13.00	<ul> <li>Ayant au moins un pli extérieur en bois tropicaux visés à la Note 1 de sous-positions du présent Chapitre./ With at least one outer ply of tropical wood specified in Subheading Note 1 to this Chapter</li> </ul>	324	0001	24	03
441	12.14.00	<ul> <li>Autres, ayant au moins un pli extérieur en bois autres que de conifères/ Other, with at least one outer ply of non-coniferous wood</li> </ul>	324	0001	25	03
44	12.19,00	- Autres / Other	324	0001	26	03

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	- Autres contreplaqués ayant au moins un pli extérieur en bois autres que de conifères / Other , with at least one outer ply of non-coniferous wood - Ayant au moins un pli en bois tropicaux visés a la Note 1 de sous-positions du présent chapitre/ With at least one outer ply of tropical wood specified in Subheading Note 1 to this Chapter	324	0001	27	03		
4412.23.00	- Autres contreplaques contenant au moins un panneau de particules /Other, containing at least one layer of particle board	324	0001	28	03		
4412.29.00	- Autres / Other	324	0001	29	03		
4412.92.00	- Autres contreplqués ayant au moins un pli en bois tropicaux visés à la Note 1 de sous-positions du présent Chapitre/ With at least one outer ply of tropical wood specified in Subheading Note 1 to this Chapter;	324	0001	30	03		
4412.93.00	Autres contrepaqués contenant au moins un panneau de particules /Other, containing at least one layer of particle board	324	0001	31	03		
4412.99.00	- Autres /Other	324	0001	32	03		
4413.00.00	Bois dits "densifiés", en blocs, planches, lames ou profilés./ Densified wood, in blocks, plates, strips or profile shapes	324	0001	33	03		

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	4415.10.00	- Caisses, caissettes, cageots, cylindres et emballages similaires; tambours (tourets) pour câblesen bois /Packing cases, boxes, crates, drums and similar packings, of wood	324	0001	34	03	
	4415.20.00	- Palettes simples, palettes-caisses et autres plateaux de chargement en bois ; rehausses de palettes en bois / Pallets, box pallets and other load board; pallet collars of wood;	324	0001	35	03	
	4418.10.00	- Fenêtres, portes-fenêtres et leurs cadres et chambranlesen bois / Windows, french- windows and their frames of wood	324	0001	36	03	
	4418.20.00	- Portes et leurs cadres, chambranles et seuils / Doors and their frames and thresholds of wood;	324	0001	37	03	
	4418.30.00	- Panneaux pour parquets / Parquet panels	324	0001	38	03	
	4418.40.00	- Coffrages pour le bétonnage / Shuttering for concrete construction	324	0001	39	03	
	4418.50.00	- Bardeaux ("shingles" et "shakes") / Shingles and shakes	324	0001	40	03	
•	4418.90.00	- Autres ouvrages de rnenuiserie en bois / Other carpentry of wood	324	0001	41	03	

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0002 Soclété de Développement de Per d' Afrique ( SODEFA ) Km 41, Zone Industrielle de Coyah BP 1661 Conakry Tel.224 22891 0	72.14	Barres en fer ou en aclers non alliés, simplement forgées, laminées ou filées a chaud ainsi que celles ayant subi une torsion après laminage.  / other bars and rods of iron or non -alloy steel, not further worked than forged, hot-rolled, hot-drawn or hot-extruded.but including those twisted after rolling.				
	7214.10.00	- Forgées / Forged	324	0002	01	03
	7214.20.00	- Comportant des indentations, bourrelets creux ou reliefs obtenus au cours du laminage ou ayant subi une torsion après laminage / Containing identations, ribs, grooves or other deformations produced during the rolling process or twisted after rolling.	324	0002	02	03
	7214.30.00	- Autres, en aciers de décolletage / Other, of free-cutting steel	324	0002	03	03
	7214.91.00	- Autres: / Other  De section transversale rectangulaire / Of rectangular ( other square) cross-section  Autres/ Other	324 324	0002 0002	04 05	03
	7216	Profilés en fer ou en aciers non alliés / Angles, shapes and sections of iron non alloy steel				
	7216.10.00	- Profilés en U, en I ou en H, simplement laminés ou filés a chaud, d'une hauteur de moins de 80 mm / U, I or H sec tions not further worked than hot-rolled, hot-or extruded, of height of less than 80 mm	324	0002	06	03

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	- Profiles en L ou en T, simplement laminés ou filés à chaud, d'une hauteur de moins de 80 mm : / L or T sections not further worked than hot-rolled, hot-drawn extruded, of height of less than 80 mm				
7216.21.00 7216.22.00	- Profilés en L / L sections	324	0002	07	03
	- Profilés en T / T sections	324	0002	08	03
7216.31.00	- Profiles en U, en I ou en H, simplement laminés ou filés à chaud, d'une hauteur de 80 mm ou plus : / U, I sections not further worked than hot-rolled, hot-drawn extruded, of height of less than 80 mm or more;	324	0002	02	03
7216.32.00	- Profilés en U / U sections	324	0002	09	03
7216.33.00	- Profilés en l /l sections - Profilés en H / H sections	324 324	0002 0002	10 11	03 03
7216.40.00.	- Profilés en L ou en T, simplement laminés ou filés à chaud, d'une hauteur de 80 mm ou plus /L or T section not further worked than hot-rolled, hot- drawn or extruded, of height of less than 80 mm or more	324	0002	12	03
7217	Fils en fer ou aciers no alliés /Wire of iron non-alloy				
7217.10.00	No revêtus, même polls/ Not plated or created, whether or not polished	324	0002	13	03
7217.20.00	Zingués/ Plated or croated with zinc	324	0002	14	03
7217.30.00	Revêtus d'autres métaux / Plated or coated withother base metal	324	0002	15	03
7217.90.00	Autres / Other	324	0002	16	03
7314.49.00	Autres toiles métalliques, grillages et treiilis en fil de fer ou d'acier / Other cloth, grill, netting and fencig of iron or steel	324	0002	17	03

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	7317.00.00	Pointes, clous en font, fer ou acier / Nail, tacks of iron or steel	324	0002	18	03
	8716.80.20	Autres véhicules dirigés à la main (Broettes) / Other hand propelled vehicles (wheelbarrow)	324	0002	19	03
	9403.20.00	Autres meuble en métal / Other metal furniture	324	0002	20	03
NIGERIA 0001. SUPERIOR METAL NIG. Co Ltd 18Wempco Road, Ogba, Ikeja LAGOS	7308.90.90	Autres tôles galvanisées en couleurs en fonte, fer ou acier,/ Other colours galvanized roofing sheets of steel or iron;	566	0039	01	03
0002. GLOBE SPINNING MILLS Nig. PLC 29 C Kofo Abayomi Street Victoria Island Lagos	3926.90.90	Autres ouvrages en matières plastiques et ouvrages en autres matières des n*s 39.01 à 39. 14/ other articles of plastics and articles of other materials of heading 3901. TO 3914.	566	0040	01	03
	5205	Fils de coton (autres que les fils à coudre), contenant au moins 85 % en poids de coton, non conditionnés pour la vente au détail non conditionnés pour la vente au détail - Fils simples, en fibres non peignées / Cotton yarn (other than sewing thread), containing 85% or more by weight of cotton, not put up for retail sale. Single yarn, of uncombedfibres:				
	5205.1100	Titrant moins de 714,29 décitex ou plus ( n'excédant pas 14 numéros métriques ) / Measuring 714.29 decitex or more (not exceeding 14 metric number)	566	0040	02	03
	5205.12.00	Titrant moins de 714,29 decitex mais pas moins de 232,56 decitex (exc6dant 14 numSros m6triques mais n'exc6dant pas 43 num6ros m6triques) / Measuring less than 714.29 decitex but not less than 232.56 decitex (excededing 14 metric number but not exceeding 43 metric number)	566	0040	03	03

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52.05.13.00	Titrant moins de 232.56 d6citex mais pas motns de 192,31 décitex (excédant 43 numéros m6triques mais n*excédant pas 52 numéros métriques) / Measuring less than 714.29 decitex but not less than 232.56 decitex (exceeding 14 metric number but not exceeding 43 metric number)	566	0040	04	03		
5205.31.00	Titrant en fils simples 714,29 décitex ou plus (n'excédant pas 14 numéros métriques en fils simples) / Measuring per single yarn 714.29 decitex or more (not exceeding 14 metric number per single yarn)	566	0040	05	03		
5205.32.00	Titrant en fils simples moins de 714,29 décitex mais pa moins de 232.56 decitex s ( excédant pas 14 numéros métriques mais n'excédant pas 43 numeros en fils simples) / Measuring per single yarn 714.29 less than decitex but not less than 232,56 decitex ( excededing 14 metric numberbut not exceeding 43 metric number per single yarn )	566	0040	06	03		
5205.33.00	Titrant en fils simples moins de 232.56 décitex mais pa moins de 192.31 decitex s ( excédant pas 43 numéros métriques mais n'excédant pas 52 numeros en fils simples) / Measuring per single yarn 232.56 less than decitex but not less than 192.31 decitex (exceeding 43 metric numberbut not exceeding 52 metric number per single yam)	566	0040	07	03		
5206	Fils de colon (autres que les fils à coudre), contenant moins de 85 % en poids de coton, non conditionnés pour la vente au détail - Fils simples, en fibres non peignées / Cotton yarn (other than sewing thread), containing less than 85% by weight of cotton, not put up for retail sale Single yarn, of uncombedfibres:	566	0040	08	03		

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5206.12.00	Titrant moins de 714,29 décitex mais pas moins de 232,56 décitex (excédant 14 numéros métriques mais n'excédant pas 43 numéros métriques) / Measuring less than 714.29 decitex but not less than 232.56 decitex (exceeding 14 metric number but not exceeding 43 metric number)	566	0040	09	03		
5206.13.00	Titrant moins de 232.56 décitex mais pas moins de 1 92.31 décitex (excédant 43 numéros métriques mais n'excédant pas 52 numéros métriques) / Measuring less than 232.56 decitex but not less than 192.31 decitex (exceeding 43 metric number but not exceeding 52 metric number)	566	0040	10	03		
5207.10.00	Fils de coton (autres que les fils à coudre), contenant au motns 85 % en poids de coton, conditionnés pour la vente au détail / Cotton yarn (other than sewing thread), containing 85% of cotton, put up for retail sale.	566	0040	06	03		
55.08	Fils à coudre de fibres synth6tiques ou artificielles discontinues, même conditionnés pour la vente au détail./ Sewing thread of man made staple fibre whether or not put up for retail sale						
5508.10.00	- De fibres synthétiques discontinues / of synthetics staple fibres	566	0040	12	03		
55 08.20.00	- De fibres artificielles discontinues / Of artificial staple fibres / Other woven fabrics of yarns of different colours	566	0040	13	03		

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5509	Fils de fibres synthétiques discontinues (autres que ies fils à coudre),non conditionnés pour la vente au détai contenant au moins 85 % en poids de fibres de nylon ou d'autres polyamidesl/ Yarn (Other than sewing thread) of synthetic staple fibre, not put up sale, containing 85% or more by weight of staple fibre nylon or other polyamides:					
5509.1100	- Sipmles fils/ Single yarn	566	0040	14	03	
5509.12.00	• • •	566	0040	15	03	
5509.99.00	yarn -Mélangés principalement ou uniquement avec du coton/Mied mainly or solely with cotton	566	0040	16	03	
5511	Fils de fibres synth6tiques ou artificielles discontinues (autres que les fils a coudre), condittonn6s pour la vente au detail./ Yarn (Other than sewinthread) of man made staple fibres, put up for retail sale					
5511.10.00	- De fibres synthétiques discontinues, contenant au moins 85 % en poids de ces fibres / Of synthetic staple fibres, containing 85 % or more by weight of such fibres	566	0040	17	03	
551120.00	- De fibres synthéiques discontinues, contenant moins de 85 % en poids de ces fibres /Of synthetic staple fibres, containing 85 % or more by weight of such fibres	566	0040	13	03	
551130.00	- De fibres synth&iques discontinues,	566	0040	19	03	

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7308.90.90	Autres tôles galvanisées enfonte, fer ou acier,/ Other galvanized roofing sheets of steel or iron /	566	0041	01	03	
7903.10.00	- Pousstères de zinc / Zinc dust	566	0041	02	03	
7903.90.00	Autres poudres et paillettes, de zinc. / Othe zinc Skimming	566	0041	03	03	
7306.90.00	Autres tubes et tuyaux en fer ou en acie: /Other casing, tubing and drill pipe, and hollow profiles of iron and steel	566	0042	01	03	
7314.42.00	Autres toiles métalliques, gillage, treillts recouverts de matiéres plastiques; / Other grill, netting and fencing, coated with plastics	566	0043	01	03	
7323.94.00	Autres articles de ménage ou d'économie domes tique et ieurs parties, en fonte, émaillés/ Household articles and parts of iron and steel other than, of cast iron. enamelled	566	0044	01	03	
5208.49.00	Autres tissus de coton en fiis de diverses couleurs / Other woven fabrics of yarns of different colours	566	0045	01	03	
7323.92.00	Autres articles de ménage ou d'économie domes tique et ieurs parties, en fonte, émaillés /Household articles and parts thereof, of cast iron .enamelled	566	0046	01	03	
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0009 VITA Products 28, Ajasa Street Onikan Lagos	2009.80.90	Autres jus de tout autre fruit ou légume /Oher juice of any other single fruit or vegetable	566	0047	01	03
0010. SONNEX Packaging Nig. Krn 16, Ikorodu Road -Lagos	3923.21.00	Sacs, sachets, pochettes et cornets en polymères de l'éthylène, / Boxes, cases, crates and similar articles of plastiques	566	0011	02	03
0011 Celpias Industries Ltd 27 A Fatai Atere Way	3923.10.00	Boltes, caisses, casters et articles similaires / Sacks and bags of polymers of ethylene;	566	0048	01	03
Oshodi Mushin Lagos	9403.70.00	Meubles en matières plastiques / Furniture of plastics	566	0048	02	03
•	9617.00.00	Bouteilles isolantes et autres écipients isothermiques montés, dont l'isolation est assurée par le vide, ainsi que leurs parties (à l'exclusion des ampoules en verre)./ Vacuum flasks and other vacuum vessels, complete with cases, parts thereof other thanglass inners;	566	. 0048	03	03
0012.Dangotte Agrosacks Ltd. Dangote Group. Marbie House 1 Alfred Rewane road Falomo ikoyi Lagos	6305.33.00	Autres Sacs et sachets d'emballage., obtenues à partir de lames ou formes similaires de polyéthylène ou de polypropylène / Other sacks and bags of kind for the packin of goods, of polyethylene or polypropylene strip or the like;	566	0049	01	03
0013. Dansa Foods Processing Co Polo House 3 Tincan Island	2009.80.90	Autres jus de tout autre fruit ou légume /Other juice of any other single fruit or vegetable	566	0050	01	03
Port road Apapa- Lagos	3506.99.00	Autres adhésifs / Other prepared glues other prepared adhesives :Spray Gom	566	0050	02	03
0014. Arewa Textiles PLC Plot G8 Ind. Estate Kakuri KADUNA	5208.59.00	Autres tissus en coton imprimés /Other printed woven fabrics of cotton	566	0051	01	03

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	5209.51.10	Tissus en coton imprimis par un procédé à la cire (WAX) / Woven fabrcs of cotton printed with wax-base printing processes	566	0051	02	03
	5209.59.00	Autres tissus imprimés en coton / Other woven fabrics of cotton	566	0011	02	03
0015.TEXLON NIG. LTD 9E LSDPC IND. ESTATE PO BOX 6411 LAGOS	5208.39.10	Autres tissus de coton teints : basins, damassés et similaires / Other dyed fabrics of cotton: Dimity, damasks and the like	566	0001	06	03
0016. SPECOMILL TEXTILES LTD. 1 AWOSIKA AV. ikeja -Lagos	5208.12.00	Tissus de coton, contenant au moins 85 % en poids de coton, d'un poids n'excédant pas 200 g/m2, écrus à armure toile, d'un poids excédant 100 g/m2 / Woven fabrics of cotton, containing 85% or more by weight of cotton, weighing not more than 200g/m²; unbleached, plain weave, weighing more than 100g/m²	566	0052	01	03
	5210.60.00	Autres tissus de coton imprimés: / Other printed woven of cotton	566	0052	02	03
0017. KARAN INDUSTRIAL INV. LTD. KM1 Baymarg Ind.Av. Sango Ota OGUN State	3905.12.00	Poly (acétate de vinyle) : En dispersion aqueuse / polyvinyl acetate: in aqueous dispersion	566	0053	01	03
•	3907.20.00	Autres poiyéthers / Other polyesters	566	0053	02	03
	3907.30.00	Résines époxydes / epoxine resins	566	0053	03	03

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	5509.51.00	<ul> <li>- Autres fils, de fibres discontinues de polyester : mèlangées principalement ou uniquement avec des fibres artificielles discontinues /Other yarn, of polyester staple fibres; mixed mainly or solely with artificial staple fibres;</li> </ul>	566	0055	04	03
	5510.11.00	Fils de fibres artificielles discontinues (autres que les fils à coudre), non conditionnés pour la vente au détail. Contenant au moins 85% en poids de fibres artificielles discontinues : Simples /Yarn (Other than sewing thread) of artificial staple fibres, not put up for retail sale: single yarn	566	0055	0055	03
20. LUBCON LTD Lubcon Av.Adewole ind. Estate	2710.19.33	Huiles lubrifiantes: graisse/ Lubrificating oils: grease	566	0056	01	03
Ilorin Kwara State	2710.19.33	Autres huiles lubrifiantes / Other lubrificating oils	566	0056	02	03
21.SONVIG Inter. Ind. Ltd. 83, Obaoloto Ring Road . Otawori Box 7119 Ikeja Lagos	2904.90.00	Autres dérivés sulfonés, nitrés ou nitrosés des hydrocarbures, même halogénés. Other derivatives of hydrocarbons, whether or not halogenated;	566	0057	01	03
	2907.15.00	Naphtols et leurs sets / Naphthols and their salts	566	0057	02	03
	2922.29.00	autres amino-phénols / Other polyphenols, phenol-alcohols	566	0057	03	03
	29.33.99.00	Autres Composés hétérocyclique à hétéro atome d'azote exclusivement : / Other heterocycitc compounds with nitrogen hetero-atom(s) only;	566	0057	04	03
	3204.11.00	Colorants dispersés et préparations à base de ces colorants / Disperse dyes and preparations based thereon	566	0057	05	03
	3204.14.00	Colorants directs et préparations à base de ces colorants / Direct dyes and preparations based thereon	566	0057	06	03

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	3204.15.00	Colorants de cuve (y compris ceux utilisables en l'état comme colorants pigmentaires) et préparations à base de colorants Vat dyes (including those usable in that state as pigments) and preparations based thereon	566	0057	07	03
	3204.16.00	Colorants réactifs et préparations à base de ces colorants / Reactive dyes and preparations based thereon	566	0057	08	03
	3204.17.00	Colorants pigmentaires et préparations à base de ces colorants / Pigments and preparations based thereon	566	0057	09	03
	3806.90.00	Autres acides / Other rosin and resin acids	566	0057	10	03
0022. Dana Plast LTD 10 Ijora Causeway ijora Lagos	3924.10.00	<ul> <li>Vaisselie et autres articles pour le service de la table ou de la cuisine en matures plastiques: / Tableware and kitchenware of plastics</li> </ul>	566	0058	01	03
	3924.90.90	Autres articles de menage ou d'economie domestique en matieres plastiques / Other Household articles of plastics	566	0058	02	03
0023. Quatra Ind. Ltd Plot C34 Amuwo Ind, Estate Lagos	3923.30.00	- Bonbonnes, bouteilles, flacons et articles similaires en matières plastiques/ Carboys, bottles flasks and similars articles of plastics	566	0059	01	03
	3323.90.00	Autres articles de transport ou d'emballage, en matieres plastiques ; / Other articles of for the coveyance or packing of good	566	0059	02	03
0024. Alconi Nigeria Ltd Plot C34 Amuwo Ind. Estate Lagos	2207.20.00	- Alcoof éthylique et eaux-de-vie dénaturés de tous titres / Ethyl alcohol and other spirits, denatured of any strength	566	0060	01	03
0025. Bhojsons industries PLC Highway; llupeju Industrial Estate, Lagos	5210.59.00	Autres tissus de coton " Ankara " / Other woven fabrics of cotton " Ankara"	566	0061	01	03

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	5512,19.90	Autres tissus de fibres synthétiques dis continues contenant au moins 85% en poids de fibres synthétiques discontinues / Other woven fabrics of synthetic staple fibres, containing 85% or more by weight of polyester staple fibres;	566	0061	02	03	
	6302.31.00	- Autre linge de lit de coton / Other beed linen of cotton	566	0061	03	03	
0026 Nigerian Embroidery Lace Manufacturing Co LTD. Plot B Block 1, Ilupeju Industrial	5804.21.00	- Dentelies de fibres synth6tiques ou artificielles: / Lace of man-made fibres	566	0062	01	03	
Estate, Mushin, Lagos.	5810.91.00.	- Autres broderies de coton / Other embroidery of cotton	566	0062	02	03	
	5810.92.00	- Autres broderie de fibres synth&iques ou artificielles / Other embroidery of man-made fibres;	566	0062	03	03	
	5810.99.00	- Autres broderies d'autres matures textiles / Other embroidery of other textile materials					
0027. Nigerian Synthetic Fabrics LTD. Plot B Block 1 Ilupeju Industrial Estate Mushin Lagos	6001.91.00	- Autres étoffe de coton / Other terry fabrics of cotton textile	566	0063	01	03	
	6001.92.00	- Autres étoffes de fibres synth6tiques ou arttficielle Other terry fabrics of man-made fibres ;	566	0063	02	03	
	6001.99.00	- Autres étoffes d'autres matières textiles / Other terry fabrics of other textile materials	566	0063	03	03	
	6304.91	Moustiquaires / Other knitted or crocheted	566	0063	04	03	

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SENEGAL 0001-Nestlé Sénégal	2104	Préparations pour soupes, potages ou bouillons; soupes, potages ou bouillons /Soups and broths and preparation therefore				
Km 14, Route de Rufisque BP 796 Dakar Sénégal Tél. (221)8398300 Fax 221 834 17 02	2104.10.10	- Préparations présentées sous formes de tablettes, de pains ou de cubes: Maggi "Nokoss", "Safsafar. "Poulef, et "KariV Preparations in blocks or loaves form: Maggi " Nokoss", " SatsafalY Poulet" and * Kari"	686	0004	01	03
	2104.10.10	- Preparations presentees sous formes de tablettes, de pains ou de cubes: Maggi "OignonV Preparations in blocks or loaves form: Maggi * oignon "	686	0004	02	03
0002 STE SENEGALAISE DE NATTES EN PLASTIQUE Route de Rufisque BP 885 DAKAR	3917.2110	- Tubes et luyaux rigides en polymères de l'ethylène /Tubes, pipes and hoses, rigid, of polymers of ethylene - Pour canalisation d'eau / For water supply	686	0005	01	03
		- Autres tubes et tuyaux / Other tubes, pipes and hoses	686	0005	02	03
	3921.19.00	Produits alvéolaires en autres matières plastiques / cellular of other plastics	686	0005	03	03
	4601.99.10	Nattes. Paillassons et claies en matières plastiques / Mats, matting and screens of plastics.	686	0005	04	03
TOGO  0001-Nouvelle Industrie des Oléagineux du Togo s.a. (NiOTO s a,) Zone Industrielle B.P. 3086 Lomé Togo	1517.90.90	Autres préparations ailmentaires de graisses ou d'huiles / Other edible mixture or preparations of vegetable fats or oils	768	0004	01	03

# FIFTIETH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS Abuja, 26-27June 2003

REGULATION C/REG4/06/03 APPOINTING MADAM NELLIE SARAH TAYLOR AS FINANCIAL CONTROLLER OF ECOWAS

# 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 Decision A/DEC 21/12/01, dated 21 December 2001 on the reinstatement of the post of Financial Controller of the ECOWAS institutions;

**MINDFUL of** Decision A/DEC 21/12/01 allocating the post of Financial Controller to the Republic of The Gambia;

WISHING to endow the ECOWAS institutions with the means necessary to the successful conduct of their mission and the enhancement of their performance, and to this end providing them with an adequate number of qualified and competent staff;

CONSIDERING that Mr. Momodu Yandey Malleh Sallah, appointed as Financial Controller to the ECOWAS institutions by virtue of Regulation C/REG 5/8/02, dated 28 August 2002 has been called to other duties and has therefore been unable to take up service in ECOWAS;

**MINDFUL** of article 18 of the Treaty on the appointment of statutory appointees;

**HAVING CONSIDERED** the report of the ministerial committee for the selection and evaluation of statutory appointees which met in Abuja on 25 June 2003;

#### **ENACTS**

#### **Article 1**

Madam Nellie Sarah TAYLOR is hereby appointed Financial Controller of the institutions of the Economic Community of West African States for a term of four years.

#### Article 2

The appointment of Madam Nellie Sarah TAYLOR takes effect from the date of her assumption of duty.

#### Article 3

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

Done at Abuja, this 27th day of June 2003

**Chairman for Council** 

Hon. Dr. Kofi Konadu APRAKU

REGULATION C/REG5/6/03 AMENDING ARTICLES 2 AND 3 OF REGULATION C/REG15/1/03, DATED 28 JANUARY 2003

#### 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 Regulation C/REG14/01/03 establishing an ad hoc ministerial committee on the harmonisation of Community texts;

CONSIDERING that Article 2 of Regulation C/REG15/01/03 contains an omission in its definition of the competence of the ad hoc ministerial committee on the harmonisation of the Community texts and that Article 3 of the same Regulation contains an error in the composition of the committee;

**DESIROUS** of correcting the omission and the error;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the ad hoc ministerial committee on the harmonisation of Community texts which met in Accra on 19 June 2003;

#### **ENACTS**

#### Article 1

Article 2 paragraph 3 of Regulation C/REG15/01/03, dated 28 January 2003 is hereby amended and henceforth reads as follows:

#### New Article 2 (3)

The committee shall submit recommendation to the Authority of Heads of State and Government, through the Council of Ministers, on the enhancement of the powers of the ECOWAS Parliament, the election of Members of said Parliament by direct universal suffrage, and the

place of the Parliament among the other Community institutions.

#### Article 3

The Togolese Republic is a member of the ad hoc Committee in place of the Republic of Sierra Leone.

#### Article 4

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

Done at Abuja, this 27th day of June 2003

**Chairman For Council** 

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FIFTIETH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

Abuja, 26 - 27 June

#### **VOTE OF THANKS**

The participants at the fiftieth session of the ECOWAS Council of Ministers held in Abuja on 26 and 27 June 2003, wish to express their deep appreciation to the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, His Excellency Olusegun Obasanjo, and to the Government and people of Nigeria for their warm and fraternal welcome, and for the excellent facilities made available to them during their stay in Nigeria.

DONE AT ABUJA.

THIS 27TH DAY OF JUNE 2003

THE COUNCIL

# SEVENTH EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

Cotonou, 1 - 2 September 2003

REGULATION C/REG.1/9/03 ADOPTING MEASURES TO FACILITATE AND ACCELERATE EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMMUNITY LEVY

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 70 of the revised Treaty which stipulates that the regular budgets of the Community and its institutions shall be funded from the Community levy;

**MINDFUL** of Protocol A/P. 1/7/96 on the conditions governing application of the Community levy:

**CONSCIOUS** of the importance of the Community levy for the financing of Community programmes, the functioning of ECOWAS institutions, and the payment of compensation under the trade liberalisation scheme;

**DETERMINED** to ensure the effective operation of this mechanism for the financing of regional integration activities;

**DESIRING** to this end to take all necessary measures to ensure a smooth passage from the transition phase to the substantive regime;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the meeting of Experts from Member States held in Cotonou on 29 and 31 August 2003;

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#### **ENACTS**

#### **Article 1**

- Member States shall ensure the proper assessment and collection of the Community levy. They shall transferee amounts collected into the ECOWAS account opened at the Central Bank within the time frame stipulated in the Protocol on the conditions for the application of the Community levy.
- To this end, each Member State will set up a mechanism to facilitate the transfer of the proceeds of the Community levy.

#### Article 2

- 1. The Executive Secretariat shall refund to those Member States which were up to date in their contributions as at 1<sup>st</sup> July 2003, the capital base of ECOWAS Bank for Investment and Development (EBID) inclusive whatever amounts may be outstanding in their favour.
- 2. Member States which, between 1st January and 30 June 2003 have paid their contributions for the current financial year, inclusive, shall be entitled to a refund of the total amount collected as Community levy and transferred into the ECOWAS account at the Central Bank between 1st July and 31 December 2003.

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#### Article 3:

- 1. The Executive Secretariat of ECOWAS shall have access to the Community levy accounts in the Central Banks of Member States.
- ECOWAS Secretariat should produce a detailed plan, program and budget for the anticipated utilisation of the Community Levy. The program and budget should be approved by the Council before the implementation.
- The Minister responsible for ECOWAS affairs
  of each Member State shall notify the Central
  Bank of the entry into force of the provisions of
  paragraph 1 of this Article with effect from 1<sup>st</sup>
  July 2003.

#### Article 4

The Executive Secretariat shall conclude a payment schedule with Member States owing arrears of contributions, to cover a period not exceeding seven (7) years.

The Executive Secretariat shall submit a report to the end of year budget session of Council of Ministers on the agreements concluded with the Member States referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article.

#### Article 5

- The Executive Secretariat shall pay 5% of the amounts effectively transferred to the Central Banks to the ECOWAS national units.
- The amount referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be disbursed quarterly.

#### Article 6

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 Official Gazette within the same time frame.

#### **DONE AT COTONOU**

THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2003

Dr. Kofi Konadu Apraku

Chairman

For the Council of Ministers

REGULATION C/REG.2/9/03 ON THE LAUNCHING OF NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN WEST AFRICA AND THE EUROPEAN UNION ON THE ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT (EPA).

## 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.8/12/99 relating to the strengthening of partnership between West Africa and the European Union and designating ECOWAS as the regional framework for the coordination of relations between West Africa and the European Union;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC, 11/12/01 on negotiations between West African ACP Member States and the European Union on the Regional Economic Partnership Agreement;

**MINDFUL** of Decision A/DEC.8/01/03 on West Africa's preparations for negotiations with the European Union on the Economic Partnership Agreement;

**RECALLING** the recommendation of the ACP Council of Ministers held in Brussels on 31 July on the opening of Phase II of the negotiations in September 2003;

**MINDFUL** of the need to launch the Phase II negotiations which are expected to last until December 2007;

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT the additional information provided by the Executive Secretariat on the negotiating structure, the road map for the negotiations, and the terms of the negotiating mandate:

**ON THE RECOMMENDATION** of the meeting of Ministers of Trade and Finance of ECOWAS Member States held in Bamako on 24 and 25 July

2003, on the opening of negotiations between West Africa and the European Union on 6 October, 2003:

#### **ENACTS:**

#### **Article 1**

1. The launching of the negotiations between West Africa and the European Union on the Economic Partnership Agreement in Cotonou, on 6 October 2003, is hereby approved.

#### Article 2

- For the purpose stated in article 1 of this Regulation, there is hereby created an ad hoc Ministerial facilitating team comprising Benin, Burkina Faso, Cote d'Ivoire, the Gambia, Ghana and Nigeria.
- In between meetings of the ECOWAS
   Council of Ministers, the ad hoc Ministerial facilitating team shall be responsible for the following:
  - i. proper preparation of the West Africa-European Union economic partnership agreement negotiations.
  - ii. examination of the road map guiding the conduct of negotiations.
  - iii. monitoring of the execution of the activities contained in the road map.
  - iv. Supervision of the execution of the tasks assigned to the ECOWAS Executive Secretariat and the UEMOA Commission under the mandate given by decision A/DEC.8/1/03 on the preparation for the negotiation of the economic partnership agreement between West Africa and the European Union.

3. The Ministerial facilitating team shall report to the Ministerial Monitoring Committee.

#### Article 3

The ECOWAS Executive Secretariat shall, in collaboration with the UEMOA Commission take all necessary measures to ensure the proper preparation of the region for the negotiations.

#### Article 4

The ECOWAS Executive Secretariat in collaboration with the UEMOA Commission shall take necessary measures to ensure a proper level of preparedness for the opening of negotiations.

#### Article 5

The Executive Secretariat shall notify the European Commission and the ACP General Secretariat of this Regulation.

#### Article 6

This Regulation shall be published by the Executive Secretariat in the Official Journal of the Community within thirty (3) days of its signature by the Chairman of the Council of Ministers. It shall also be published by each Member State in its Official Gazette within the same time-frame.

DONE AT COTONOU

THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2003

Dr. Kofi Konadu Apraku Chairman

For the Council of Ministers

Seventh Extraordinary Session of the Council of Ministers Cotonou,
1 - 2 September 2003

REGULATION C/REG.3/9/03 ADOPTING MEASURES TO ENSURE EFFECTIVE REALISATION OF A FREE TRADE ZONE IN THE ECOWAS REGION

## 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 Articles 35, 38, 40 and 48 of the revised Treaty relating respectively to liberalisation of trade, Community tariff treatment, fiscal charges and internal taxation, and compensation for loss of revenue:

**MINDFUL** of Protocol A/P. 1/1/03 relating to the definition of the concept of products originating from ECOWAS Member States;

**MINDFUL** of Protocol A/P.2/1/03 relating to the application of compensation procedures for loss of revenue incurred by ECOWAS Member States as a result of the trade liberalisation scheme;

MINDFUL of Regulation C/REG.3/4/03 establishing procedure for the approval of originating products to benefit under the ECOWAS trade liberalisation scheme:

**MINDFUL** of Regulation C/REG.4/4/02 adopting a certificate of origin for products originating from the Community;

**MINDFUL** of Regulation C/REG.5/4/02 relating to the evaluation of the components making up the exfactory cost price of products before tax and value-added;

**CONSIDERING** that the trade liberalisation scheme

which took off on 1 January 1990 has not been implemented fully, due to a number of reasons, including the existence of several trade liberalisation schemes in the same zone, the approval procedure, the compensation mechanism for loss of revenue, the predominance of the informal sector in regional trade, and the lack of complementarity;

TAKING NOTE of the progress achieved in the simplification of ECOWAS texts governing the establishment of a Customs union and the harmonisation of these texts with those of UEMOA; taking note also of the efforts made to simplify approval procedures and review some of the texts, with a view to accelerating payment for losses of revenue, using resources from the Community levy;

CONSIDERING the need to urgently implement the measures already identified and other initiatives that could contribute to eliminate the remaining obstacles impeding effective implementation of the trade liberalisation scheme by Member States:

**ON THE RECOMMENDATION** of the meeting of Experts from Member States held in Cotonou from 29 to 31 August 2003;

#### **ENACTS:**

#### Article 1

To ensure effective realisation of the free trade zone, the Member States which have not already done so shall take immediate and appropriate measures to ensure implementation of the trade liberalisation scheme by 2004.

#### Article 2

The Executive Secretariat shall in 2004, undertake a study on the establishment of a fund to be applied to activities aimed at achieving a balanced development of the Community. It shall submit a report on the study to the July 2004 session of the Council of Ministers.

#### Article 3

The Executive Secretariat shall commission a study on internal taxation to be completed by July 2004 and implement its findings in order to mitigate the anticipated effects of revenue loss caused by the discontinuation of the compensation system;

#### **Article 4**

- The Executive Secretariat and the Member States shall ensure that enterprises and products approved before the end of the second quarter of 2004 satisfy the new origin criteria as a condition for continuing to benefit under the scheme.
- 2. The Executive Secretariat shall take necessary measures for the immediate withdrawal or latest by 31st December 2003, of the approval granted to products transformed within the framework of economic or suspensive Customs regimes or certain special regimes involving the suspension or partial or total exemption from Customs duties on inputs.

#### Article 5

The Executive Secretariat shall prepare an electronic directory of approved enterprises and products and publish it on the ECOWAS web-site.

#### **Article 6**

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

# DONE AT COTONOU THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2003

Dr. Kofi Konadu Apraku

**Chairman For the Council of Ministers** 

# SEVENTH EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS COTONOU,

1 - 2 September 2003

RESOLUTION C/RES.1/9/03 GIVING MEMBER STATES THE OPTION OF INCREASING THE RATE OF THE COMMUNITY LEVY.

#### 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 70 of the revised Treaty which stipulates that the regular budgets of the Community and its institutions shall be funded from the Community levy;

**MINDFUL** of Protocol A/P. 1/7/96 on conditions governing application of the Community levy;

**CONSIDERING** that since its inception, ECOWAS has financed the operations of its institutions and integration activities from contributions from Member States;

**CONSIDERING** that the national budgets from which the Member States draw the greater part of their contributions have suffered from the effects of structural adjustment programmes introduced by some of the countries, leading to accumulation of huge arrears of contributions:

**CONSIDERING** that with the entry into force of the substantive regime, Member States can no longer use the Community levy in its previous form to reduce their arrears of contributions;

CONSIDERING that the Council of Ministers has directed the Executive Secretariat to conclude with the Member States owing arrears of contribution a payment schedule for a period to be negotiated with the countries concerned but not exceeding seven

(7) years;

CONSIDERING that an increase in the Community levy rate will enable some of the Member States to pay up their arrears of contributions to the various budgets of the ECOWAS Institutions;

**CONSIDERING** that an increase in the Community levy rate for the purpose indicated above will not contravene the provisions of the Protocol on the conditions for the application of the Community levy;

**ON THE RECOMMENDATION** of the meeting of Experts from Member States held in Cotonou from 29 to 31 August 2003;

GIVE Member States which so desire the option of raising, exceptionally and temporarily, the Community levy rate to 1%.

DONE AT COTONOU THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2003

Dr. Kofi Konadu Apraku

**Chairman For the Council of Ministers** 

# SEVENTH EXTRA ORDINARY SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS COTONOU, 1-2 SEPTEMBER 2003

RECOMMENDATION C/REC.1/09/03 amending Article 6 of Protocol A/P.2/1/03 on the application of compensation procedure for loss of revenue incurred by Member States as a result of trade liberalisation.

# 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 48 of the revised Treaty on compensation for loss of revenue incurred by Member States as a result of trade liberalisation;

**MINDFUL** of Protocol A/P.2/1/03 dated 31 January 2003 on the application of compensation procedure for loss of revenue;

considering that one of the major obstacles to the implementation of the ECOWAS trade liberalisation scheme stems from the inadequacies observed in the system adopted for the compensation of loss of Customs revenue;

**CONSIDERING** that the date fixed by Protocol A/P.2/1/03 for the take-off of the decreasing compensation scale has proved unrealistic;

**DETERMINED** to take account of the importance attached by Member States to the payment of compensation for losses of revenue, when fixing a date for the take-of referred to above, in order to ensure effective implementation of the trade liberalisation scheme;

**DESIRING** to set a new date for the take-off of the decreasing compensation scale and to amend Protocol A/P.2/1/03 accordingly;

**ON THE PROPOSAL** of the meeting of Experts from Member States held in Cotonou on 29 and 31 August 2003:

**RECOMMEND** to the Authority of Heads of State and Government to adopt the attached Supplementary Protocol amending Article 6 of Protocol A/P.2/1/03.

DONE AT COTONOU THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2003

Dr. Kofi Konadu Apraku Chairman

For the Council of Ministers

# TWENTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT 2003

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SUPPLEMENTARY PROTOCOL A/SP. ..../03
AMENDING ARTICLE 6 OF PROTOCOL
A/P.2/1/03 RELATING TO THE APPLICATION OF
COMPENSATION PROCEDURE FOR LOSS OF
REVENUE INCURRED BY ECOWAS MEMBER
STATES AS A RESULT OF TRADE
LIBERALISATION.

# THE HIGH CONTRACTING PARTIES,

**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 48 of the revised Treaty on compensation for loss of revenue incurred by Member States as a result of trade liberalisation:

MINDFUL of Protocol A/P.2/1/03 dated 31 January 2003 on the application of compensation procedures for loss of revenue;

CONSIDERING that one of the major obstacles to the implementation of the ECOWAS trade liberalisation scheme stems from the inadequacies observed in the system adopted for the compensation of loss of Customs revenue;

**CONSIDERING** that the date fixed in Protocol A/P.2/1/03 for the take-off of the decreasing compensation scale has proved unrealistic;

**DETERMINED** to take account of the importance attached by Member States to the payment of compensation for losses of revenue, when fixing a

date for the take-of referred to above, in order to ensure effective implementation of the trade liberalisation scheme;

**DESIRING** to set a new date for the take off of the decreasing compensation scale and, to this end, to amend Protocol A/P.2/1/03;

On the recommendation of the seventh extraordinary session of the Council of Ministers held in Cotonou on 1 and 2 September, 2003;

#### **AGREE AS FOLLOWS:**

#### Article 1

Article 6 of Protocol A/P.2/1/03 relating to the application of compensation procedure for loss of revenue incurred by Member States as a result of trade liberalisation is hereby amended and shall henceforth read as follows:

#### New Article 6

- The duration of the compensation mechanism is fixed at four (4) years, dating from 1 January 2004.
- Amounts payable as compensation shall be calculated on a; decreasing scale in the following manner:
- \* 100% of loss incurred, in 2C 04
- \* 80% of loss incurred, in 20C 5
- \* 60% of loss incurred, in 20C3
- \* 30% of loss incurred, in 2007
- \* 0% of loss incurred, with effect from 1 January 2008

#### Article 2

 This Supplementary Protocol shall enter into force provisionally upon signature by the Heads of State and Government. Accordingly, signatory Member States and the Executive Secretariat hereby, undertake to commence implementation of all provisions of the Protocol upon signature.

- This Supplementary Protocol shall enter into force upon ratification by at least nine (9) signatory States, in accordance with the constitutional procedures in each Member State.
- 3. This Supplementary Protocol and all instruments of ratification shall be deposited with the Executive Secretariat which shall transmit certified true copies to all the Member States and notify them of the dates of deposit of instruments by the Member States and shall register it with the African Union, the United Nations Organisation, and such other organisations as the Council of Ministers may determine.

IN FAITH WHEREOF WE, THE HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT OF THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES HAVE SIGNED THIS SUPPLEMENTARY PROTOCOL IN THREE ORIGINALS IN THE ENGLISH, FRENCH AND PORTUGUESE LANGUAGES, ALL TEXTS BEING EQUALLY AUTHENTIC.

#### **DONE AT**

THIS...... DAY OF ...... 2003