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THE HIGH CONTRACTING PARTIES,

MINDFUL of Article 5 of the ECOWAS Treaty establishing the Authority of Heads of State and Government and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Article 4 of the said Treaty establishing the Institutions of the Community as amended by Supplementary Protocol A/SP.2/5/81 dated 29 May, 1981;

CONSIDERING that the above-mentioned Articles provides for the establishment, by the Authority of Heads of State and Government, of Commissions or bodies other than those provided by this Article;

CONVINCED of the need to establish a body whose duty shall be to examine all administrative and financial matters concerning the Community, and make recommendations capable of contributing technically to the proper management of Community Institutions;

DESIROUS of signing a Supplementary Protocol amending Article 4 paragraph 1 (f) and Article 9 paragraph 1 of the Treaty establishing the Economic Community of West African States;

AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE 1

INSTITUTIONS

Article 4 paragraph 1 (f) of the Treaty establishing the Economic Community of West African States is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

Amended version of Article 4 paragraph 1 (f)

“The following Technical and Specialised Commissions:

- The Trade, Customs, Immigration, Money and Payments Commission;
- The Industry, Agriculture and Natural Resources Commission;
- The Transport, Communications and Energy Commission;
- The Social and Cultural Affairs Commission;
- The Defense Commission;
- The Administration and Finance Commission;

And such other Commissions or bodies as may be established by the Authority of Heads of State and Government or are established or provided for by this Treaty.”

ARTICLE 2

TECHNICAL AND SPECIALISED COMMISSION ESTABLISHMENT, COMPOSITION AND FUNCTIONS

Article 9 paragraph 1 of the Treaty establishing the Economic Community of West African States is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

Amended version of Article 9 paragraph 1

“There shall be established the following Commissions:

- a) The Trade, Customs, Immigration, Money and Payments Commission;
- b) The Industry, Agriculture and Natural Resources Commission;
- c) The Transport, Communications and Energy Commission;
- d) The Social and Cultural Affairs Commission;
- e) The Defence Commission;
- f) The Administration and Finance Commission.

ARTICLE 3

DEPOSIT AND ENTRY INTO FORCE

- (1) This Supplementary Protocol shall enter into force provisionally upon signature by the Heads of State and Government of Member States and definitively upon ratification by at least seven signatory States in accordance with the constitutional procedures applicable for each Member State.
- (2) This Supplementary Protocol and all instruments of ratification shall be deposited with the Executive Secretariat which shall transmit certified true copies of the Protocol to all Member States and notify them of the dates of deposit of the instruments of ratification and shall register this Supplementary Protocol with the Organisation of African Unity, the United Nations Organisation and such other Organisations as the Council of Ministers shall determine.
- (3) This Supplementary Protocol shall be annexed to and form an integral part of the Treaty.

In faith whereof, We the Heads of State and Government of the Economic Community of West Africa States, have signed this Supplementary Protocol

DONE AT LOME, THIS 25TH DAY OF JUNE, 1988

IN SINGLE ORIGINAL, IN THE ENGLISH AND FRENCH LANGUAGES, BOTH TEXTS BEING EQUALLY AUTHENTIC

Signed

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Signed

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