

English edition

DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

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DECISION NO. C/DEC. 1/11/81 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF INDUSTRIES FOR MANUFACTURING TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Article 6 of the ECOWAS Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and determining its composition and functions;

HAVING TAKEN note of the report of the Transport, Telecommunications and Energy Commission, the sub-commission on Telecommunications meeting in Freetown from 26–31 October, 1981;

CONSIDERING the difficulties facing the Telecommunications Administration of Member States in the supply of spare parts for maintenance and the running of National and Inter-States Telecommunications network;

DESIROUS of attaining self-sufficiency in the field of production of Telecommunications equipment within the sub-region;

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

The Executive Secretary is authorised to carry out without further delay a feasibility study on the needs of common telecommunications equipment with a view to establishing a unit for the production of these equipments for the sub-region.

ARTICLE 2

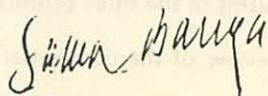
The Executive Secretary shall cooperate closely with the specialised inter-governmental organisations in the field of telecommunications in this respect with a view to rationalising the use of the available financial and human resources.

ARTICLE 3

This decision shall enter into force at the date of its signature and shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community and in the gazette of Member States.

DONE AT FREETOWN THIS 26TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1981 IN SINGLE ORIGINAL IN FRENCH AND IN ENGLISH, BOTH TEXTS BEING EQUALLY AUTHENTIC.

FOR THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,



THE CHAIRMAN

DECISION NO. C/DEC. 2/11/81 ESTABLISHING THE CLASSIFICATION OF IMPORT DUTIES AND TAXES AND INDIRECT INTERNAL TAXES

AND DUTIES TO BE REDUCED AND ELIMINATED OR HARMONISED IN CONFORMITY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 13 AND 17 OF THE ECOWAS TREATY

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Article 6 of the ECOWAS Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers, its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Article 13 and 17 of the ECOWAS Treaty relating to Customs Duties, Fiscal Duties and Inland Revenues,

CONSIDERING Decision A/DEC. 8/5/79 on the consolidation of Customs Duties and Taxes of equivalent effects and non-tariff barriers;

CONSIDERING Decision A/DEC. 18/5/80 relating to trade liberalisation in respect of industrial products of ECOWAS Member States;

DECIDES

The classification of import duties and taxes and external indirect duties and taxes to be reduced progressively and eliminated or harmonised within the framework of trade liberalization is worked out as follows:

- A. Customs Duties and Taxes of equivalent effect:
 - a) Actual Customs Duties
 - b) Entry Fiscal Duties
 - c) Service Taxes
- B. Internal indirect taxes collected on imported goods:
 - a) discriminatory
 - by their nature and/or
 - by their rates
 - b) non-discriminatory
- C. Taxes of equivalent effect to customs duties such as taxes on import licenses.

ARTICLE 2

The duties and taxes classified in category (A) of Article 1 correspond to customs duties and taxes of equivalent effect referred to in Article 13 of the ECOWAS Treaty that must be reduced progressively and finally eliminated within a period of eight years beginning on 28th May, 1981.

However Member States which, under the title "Customs Duties and Taxes of Equivalent Effect" have merged actual customs duties and taxes of equivalent effect and other non-discriminatory internal taxes would break down the said taxes and duties to enable them reduce and eliminate the protective element in their tax systems.

ARTICLE 3

The internal indirect taxes classified in category (B) correspond to internal indirect taxes collected on imported goods in a discriminatory manner by their nature and/or by their rates (B - a). These discriminatory taxes by their rate shall have to be adjusted within a period of one year at the expiration of the consolidation period in conformity with the provisions of Article 7 of the Treaty.

ARTICLE 4

In accordance with the provisions of Article 17 of the Treaty, the internal indirect taxes classified in category (B - b) which are non-discriminatory shall be retained in each Member State and shall not be reduced or eliminated.

ARTICLE 5

Only the import duties and taxes and indirect internal taxes referred to in Articles 2 and 3 above shall be compensated for, for losses in revenue suffered by Member States as a result of the implementation of the trade liberalisation programme in conformity with the provisions of Article 25 of the Treaty.

ARTICLE 6

The tables relating to the nomenclature of import duties and taxes and internal indirect taxes in force in each Member State in accordance with the decision relating to the consolidation of duties and taxes of equivalent effect and non-tariff barriers are attached to this decision.

ARTICLE 7

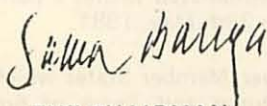
The Member States shall take all the necessary administrative and legal measures for the implementation of this decision and that of the trade liberalisation programme and inform the Executive Secretariat

ARTICLE 8

This decision shall enter into force on the date of its signature and shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community and that of each Member State.

DONE AT FREETOWN ON THE 26TH OF NOVEMBER 1981

FOR THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,



THE CHAIRMAN

DECISION NO. C/DEC. 3/11/81 RELATING TO STUDIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN IN RESPECT OF TRADE LIBERALISATION MECHANISMS IN CEAO, MRU, ECOWAS AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CUSTOMS AND STATISTICAL POLICY MEASURES OF ECOWAS

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Article 6 of the Treaty of ECOWAS establishing the Council of Ministers, its functions and its composition;

CONSIDERING Article 12 of the Treaty relating to Trade Liberalisation;

CONSIDERING Article 20 of the Treaty relating to the treatment of the most favoured nation.

CONSIDERING Article 59 of the Treaty relating to relationship with other regional groupings and third countries;

CONSIDERING Decision A/DEC. 18/5/80 of 20th May 1980 relating to the trade liberalisation scheme in respect of industrial products;

CONSIDERING the request for derogation from the implementation of the provisions of article 20 of the Treaty presented by CEAO and MRU;

CONSIDERING the difficulties of the immediate implementation of the provisions of article 20 of the Treaty of ECOWAS and the incompatibility of the trade liberalisation systems in force in ECOWAS, CEAO and MRU;

CONSIDERING the necessity for harmonising the 3 trade liberalisation systems;

CONSIDERING the final report of the session of the Council of Ministers of May 24 - 27, 1981 especially the decisions relating to the said derogation and establishing a special ministerial committee;

CONSIDERING the conclusions of the deliberations of the meeting of the special ministerial committee on the derogation from the implementation of the provisions of article 20 of the Treaty held in Lagos on 11 - 12 August 1981;

DECIDES**ARTICLE 1**

The Executive Secretary of ECOWAS shall undertake jointly with the Secretaries General of CEAO and MRU the studies indicated below with a view to the harmonisation of the trade liberalisation mechanisms in force in the 3 organisations

1. During the period of November 1981 - 1982:
 - review of the trade liberalisation mechanisms of the three organisations,
 - review of the compensation mechanisms.

The Executive Secretary shall report to the Council of Ministers during their November 1982 session on the result of the said studies with a view to allowing Council to fix the necessary period for the harmonisation of the 3 trade liberalisation mechanisms.

2. As from November 1982: _____

- harmonisation of the internal taxation systems in Member States;
- establishment of a common external tariff;
- setting up of supporting measures for the trade liberalisation programme;
- definition of a coherent economic development policy for the sub-region;
- the studies involved in paragraph 2 above should be completed before the end of the period necessary for harmonisation

- those of their local counterparts from 2½% to 7½%.
- (iv) These awards replace the interim awards of 18% for Lagos and 10% for Lome that were made in May, 1981 for these categories.
- (v) To appoint an Establishment Committee made up of representatives from Member States, to review allowances and other conditions of service of ECOWAS Staff.
- (vi) The effective date of the salary increases and post adjustment shall be January 1st, 1982.

ARTICLE 3

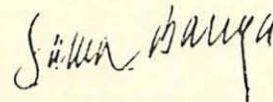
Member States shall take all the necessary measures for the implementation of the customs and statistics policy measures of ECOWAS from 1st January 1982.

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ARTICLE 4

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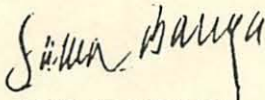
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THE CHAIRMAN

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THE CHAIRMAN

DECISION NO. C/DEC. 5/11/81 RELATING TO ECOWAS ACTIVITIES IN SOCIAL AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Article 6 of the ECOWAS Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and determining its composition and functions,

DECIDES

DECISION NO. C/DEC 4/11/81 RELATING TO THE SALARIES AND OTHER CONDITIONS OF SERVICE OF ECOWAS STAFF

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Article 6 of the ECOWAS Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers, and determining its composition and functions

that the Executive Secretary should summon meetings of Directors of Education, Youth and Sports and of Culture to draw up a programme of activities in the areas of education and training, games and sports, and of culture, and to work out the modalities of organisation and implementing such programmes with the aim of bringing ECOWAS nearer to the people of the sub-region.

HAVING examined the report of the Committee of Finance Experts,

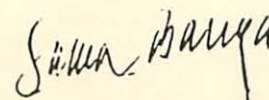
DECIDES

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(i) To grant salary increases to ECOWAS Staff as follows:-

- D category 11%
- P category 13% and
- G category 15%

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CHAIRMAN

(ii) To make a Post Adjustment award of 8% to staff in these categories stationed in Lagos.

(iii) To raise the differential between the salaries of staff in the Auxilliary category (M) and

DECISION NO. C/DEC 6/II/81 OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF THE BUDGET OF THE SECRETARIAT FOR THE YEAR 1982

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

CONSIDERING Article 6 of the ECOWAS Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers, its composition and functions;

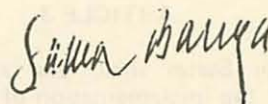
HAVING examined the report of the Committee of Finance Experts;

DECIDES

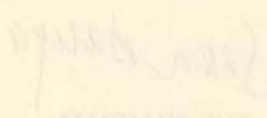
to adopt the Budget of the Executive Secretariat for the year 1983 established at 7 296 489 U.A.

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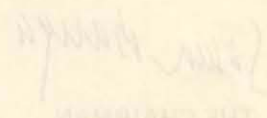
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CHAIRMAN



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THE CHAIRMAN

DECISION C/DEC 1/11/82 RELATING TO THE PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BUDGET OF COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONS

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Article 6 of the ECOWAS Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of the provisions of Article 53 of this Treaty relating to the Budget of the Community;

MINDFUL of Decision C/DEC 4/5/81 of the Council of Ministers relating to the Financial Regulations and the Budgetary nomenclature;

AFTER EXAMINING the Financial Controller's Report and recognising the need for a sound financial management in Community Institutions:

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

The Executive Secretary and the Managing Director of the Fund shall submit in support of their draft budgets for a new financial year,

- i) the management and administrative accounts for the previous financial year.
- ii) An inventory of Community assets to ensure proper monitoring and control over their management.

ARTICLE 2

For purposes of implementing Article 023 (i) of the Financial Regulations, the ceiling for contracts that may be awarded by the Head of each Institution shall henceforth be fixed at 7500 (Seven thousand five hundred) units of account. Splitting of contracts or orders shall not be permitted.

The provisions of Article 023 of the Financial Regulations are hereby accordingly amended.

ARTICLE 3

The Executive Secretary is hereby authorised to take the appropriate measures to write off the Petty Cash deficits of FCFA.257.518 (Two hundred and fifty seven thousand five hundred and eighteen) and N155.08 (One hundred and fifty-five Naira eight kobo) mentioned in the report of the Financial Controller (Document ECW/CMXII/3 of November 1982).

ARTICLE 4

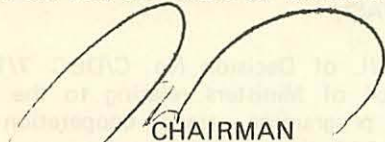
In keeping with the provisions of the Staff Regulations the Executive Secretary and the Managing Director of the Fund shall establish a social security scheme and a management account for funds deducted in respect of the Provident Fund.

ARTICLE 5

This decision shall enter into force upon signature and shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community and the National Gazette of each Member State.

DONE AT COTONOU THIS 17TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 1982 IN ONE ORIGINAL IN THE FRENCH AND ENGLISH LANGUAGES BOTH TEXTS BEING EQUALLY AUTHENTIC.

FOR THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,



CHAIRMAN
Honourable Isidore AMOUSSOU

DECISION C/DEC 2/11/82 RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF THE BUDGET OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT FOR 1983

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Article 6 of the ECOWAS Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of the provisions of Article 53 of the Treaty relating to the Budget of the Community;

HAVING EXAMINED the report of the Finance Experts Committee;

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

The Budget of the Executive Secretariat for the financial year 1983 is in balance as to revenue and expenditure amounting to a total of 6,557,350 (Six Million Five Hundred and Fifty Seven Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty) Units of Account.

ARTICLE 2

This decision shall enter into force upon signature and shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community and the Official Gazette of each Member State.

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FOR THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS



CHAIRMAN
HONOURABLE ISIDORE AMOUSSOU

DECISION NO. C/DEC. 3/11/82 RELATING TO COMMUNITY RULES AND REGULATIONS ON THE CODING OF CUSTOMS, STATISTICAL AND TAX REGIMES

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Article 6 of ECOWAS Treaty relating to the establishment, composition and functions of the Council of Ministers,

MINDFUL of Articles 12, 13, 14 and 15 of the Treaty of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS),

MINDFUL of Decision No. C/DEC. 7/11/79 of the Council of Ministers relating to the trade liberalisation programme, trade cooperation and related issues,

MINDFUL of Decision No. C/DEC. 3/5/80 of the Council of Ministers relating to the proof and verification of Community originating products and the procedures for the movement of goods within the Community,

FOLLOWING the recommendation of the Trade, Customs, Immigration, Monetary and Payments Commission made at its meeting in Cotonou from 28 October to 2 November, 1982,

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

The following are hereby adopted for application within Member States:

The document relating to the Regulations on the coding of ECOWAS Customs, Statistical and Tax Regimes

The models of customs declaration forms:

- 'C' Home use
- 'E' Exports
- 'S' Temporary admission and warehousing regimes
- 'R' Re-export

prepared and standardised for the computerisation requirements of Customs and statistical data on external trade of Member States. These documents are attached to this Decision.

ARTICLE 2

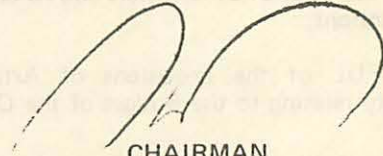
Member States shall take all necessary legal and administrative measures for the application of these documents and shall communicate to the Executive Secretariat the relevant legislations.

ARTICLE 3

This Decision shall enter into force upon signature and shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community and in the National Gazette of each Member State.

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CHAIRMAN
HONOURABLE ISIDORE AMOUSSOU

DECISION C/DEC. 4/11/82 FIXING THE MODALITIES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH 7 ARTICLE 8 OF THE ECOWAS TREATY

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Article 6 of the ECOWAS Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers, its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of the provisions of paragraph 7 of Article 8 of this Treaty.

MINDFUL of the Decision on the quota system.

CONSIDERING Decision C/DEC. 8/5/82 of the Council of Ministers relating the establishment of an AD HOC Ministerial Committee responsible for studying and formulating a short-term revival action programme for community activities;

AFTER consideration and adoption of the report of the above-mentioned Ministerial Ad Hoc Committee which met from the 8th to the 11th of November 1982;

ACCEPTING the importance of the quota system as established for the recruitment into the Institutions of the Community;

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

All recruitment shall be based on wide advertisement.

ARTICLE 2

Each Member State would as much as possible submit a short list of candidates to the Secretariat to enable the Community to make an appropriate choice.

ARTICLE 3

When a post is allocated to a Member State in conformity with the quota system and this Member State is unable to fill it within a time limit of nine months, the offer shall lapse and the post will be subject to open competition in all Member States. However, this state shall be given priority in the case of any future vacancies.

ARTICLE 4

The date of notification shall be the date on which correspondence inviting Member States to propose candidates for the vacancy is received. Such correspondence should include job description and all other necessary information.

ARTICLE 5

Candidates selected by the Institutions of the Community will be subject to a period of probation as stipulated in the staff Regulations before their appointment can be confirmed.

ARTICLE 6

In the case of non confirmation of appointment the Executives of the Institutions may revoke the appointment of incompetent officers

ARTICLE 7

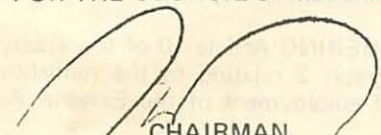
Exceptionally, posts in the Linguistic Division (translators, interpreters) shall not be subject to the quota system. These posts are left open to competition in order to attract the best translators and interpreters in the sub-region.

ARTICLE 8

This decision shall enter into force upon signature and shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community and in the National Gazette of each Member State.

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CHAIRMAN
HONOURABLE ISIDORE AMOUSSOU

DECISION C/DEC 5/11/82 RELATING TO STRUCTURAL PROBLEMS

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Article 6 of the ECOWAS Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers, and defining its composition and functions;

RECALLING the provisions of Articles 8 and 9 of the ECOWAS Treaty;

CONSIDERING the development of Community activities and the consequent volume of work;

HAVING examined the recommendations made by the Ministerial Ad Hoc Committee on structural problems;

HAVING considered the organisational chart proposed by the Executive Secretariat in this respect;

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

The 8 existing Departments at the Executive Secretariat corresponding to the technical and specialised Commissions and the objectives laid down in the Treaty are hereby maintained. The Executive Secretary is requested to prepare and submit an organisational chart for both Institutions for the next session of Council. This chart shall contain a rational division of labour between the different units.

ARTICLE 2

Officers appointed to head these Departments should be competent professionals with the requisite qualifications.

ARTICLE 3

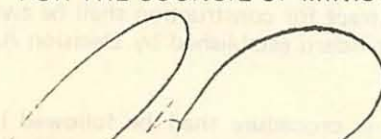
There shall be appropriate delegation of powers to the Directors of Departments to make them accountable to the Institutions for the activities of their Departments and to enable them have access to the appropriate authorities in the Member States.

ARTICLE 4

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CHAIRMAN
HONOURABLE ISIDORE AMOUSSOU

DECISION NO. C/DEC 6/11/82 RELATING TO THE PROCEDURE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE HEADQUARTERS FOR COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONS

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Article 6 of the ECOWAS Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers, its composition and functions;

CONSIDERING Decision A/DEC 17/5/82 relating to the construction of the headquarters of the Institutions of the Community;

MINDFUL of Decision C/DEC 8/5/82 of the Council of Ministers relating to the establishment of a Ministerial Ad Hoc Committee responsible for studying and formulating a short-term revival action programme for Community activities;

HAVING CONSIDERED and ADOPTED the report of the Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee on the issue relating to the construction of Headquarters for Community Institutions;

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

To approve that the following procedures be adopted in the construction of the Headquarters for the Community:

1. That tenders for the preliminary studies and designs of the Headquarters of the two Institutions shall be done on competitive basis as a result of advertisements in all the Member States of the Community

2. After selecting the best among the preliminary plans, contract shall then be awarded to the Architectural company concerned to produce the detailed plans.

3. The Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee set up by the Authority vide Decision No. A/DEC 17/5/82 shall consider all the relevant tenders and make recommendations to Council. The Committee shall recommend what roughly should go into the buildings as well as set a ceiling for construction costs.

Civil engineers as well as officials responsible for ECOWAS affairs in the Member States shall be appointed to serve as members of the Committee of Experts.

4. Tender for the construction of the headquarters shall be thrown open for competitive bidding in all the Member States.

5. The contract for construction shall be awarded by the Tender Board established by Decision A/DEC 5/5/81

6. The same procedure shall be followed in the two Institutions of the Community in respect of steps to be taken for the construction of the Headquarters.

7. Preliminary studies shall be presented not later than January 1983 for the Fund and June 1983 for the Executive Secretariat.

8. The preliminary studies for the construction of the headquarters of the Secretariat shall be financed by a loan given by the Fund which will be refundable.

9. Community borrowing from banks and financial institutions where ECOWAS places its funds shall be launched. These borrowings shall be guaranteed by the ECOWAS Fund.

10. The repayment of the loan shall be shared out among Member States in accordance with the present formula adopted for the assessment of contributions.

11. These loans shall be refunded in the form of contributions to a special fund managed by the ECOWAS Fund.

12. The possibility of obtaining financial assistance in the form of grants or subsidies for the construction of the Headquarters shall also be explored.

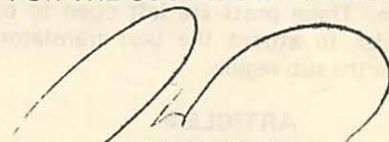
13. The Executive Secretary and the Managing Director of the Fund shall make the necessary contacts with the Institutions concerned in order to seek for the funds.

ARTICLE 2

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CHAIRMAN
HONOURABLE ISIDORE AMOUSSOU

DECISION C/DEC 7/11/82 FIXING THE BASIS FOR THE REMUNERATION OF THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR,

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Article 6 of the Treaty of ECOWAS establishing the Council of Ministers, its composition and functions,

CONSIDERING Article 10 of the Treaty particularly paragraph 2 relating to the modalities and conditions of employment of the External Auditor;

MINDFUL of Decision No. A/DEC 4/4/78 taken by the Authority in April, 1978 relating to the External Auditor,

CONSIDERING Decision C/DEC. 8/5/82 of the Council of Ministers on the establishment of the Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee responsible for formulating a short-term revival action programme for Community activities;

AFTER EXAMINING and adopting the report

of the Ministerial Ad Hoc Committee mentioned above, which met in Cotonou from the 8th to the 11th of November 1982,

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

The remuneration for services rendered by the External Auditor shall be an all-inclusive amount. This lump sum to be negotiated with the current Chairman of the Council of Ministers, shall be submitted to Council for approval.

ARTICLE 2

The remuneration shall include:

- the Honorarium per se;
- the Per diem;
- and the transport expenses

ARTICLE 3

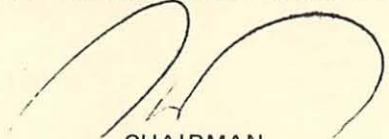
The negotiations in respect of the amount shall be carried out in conformity with the provisions of the texts in force.

ARTICLE 4

This decision shall enter into force upon signature and shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community and in the National Gazette of each Member State.

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FOR THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS



CHAIRMAN
HONOURABLE ISIDORE AMOUSSOU

DECISION C/DEC 8/11/82 RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF A POLICY AND STRATEGY FOR DEVELOPMENT OF PROJECTS

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Article 6 of the Treaty relating to the establishment of the Council of Ministers and the definition of its composition and functions;

DECIDES

ARTICLE 1

Priority is hereby given to the formulation and monitoring of the implementation of policies that will ensure the necessary structural changes and adjustments for a self-sustaining economic development

over the long-term in the sub-region as well as the establishment of communications infrastructures.

ARTICLE 2

The formulation of the policy on national, bilateral, multilateral and regional projects necessarily calls for a consideration of the following general criteria:

- re-orienting the economies of Member States towards the Community market,
- selection of priority sectors and types of production;
- regional equilibrium.

ARTICLE 3

The Permanent Committee for Studies and Research established by Decision A/DEC 6/4/78 is hereby assigned the responsibility for assessing projects with respect to how they fit into the general development objectives of the Community as defined by the appropriate decision-making bodies.

ARTICLE 4

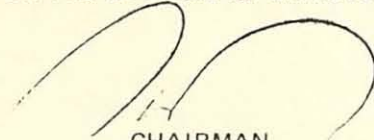
A meeting of Ministers responsible for Planning and Economic Development is hereby convened to take place during the first quarter of 1983 for the purpose of adopting a programme for developing a set of Community-determined projects.

ARTICLE 5

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RECOMMENDATION NO. C/REC 1/11/82 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ECOWAS NATIONAL STRUCTURES TO FOLLOW UP ECOWAS ACTIVITIES IN MEMBER STATES

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Article 6 of the ECOWAS Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers, its composition and functions,

CONSIDERING Decision C/DEC. 8/5/82 of the

Council of Ministers relating to the setting up of an Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee responsible for studying and formulating a short-term revival action programme for Community activities;

REALISING the need and importance of establishing ECOWAS National structures with a view to ensuring the implementation and follow up of acts and decisions of Community decision-making bodies.

HAVING examined and adopted the report of the Ministerial Ad Hoc Committee mentioned above which met in Cotonou on the 7th and 8th of August, 1982;

RECOMMENDS

That each Member State establishes a national structure responsible for the coordination and follow up of Community activities in the Member State.

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