



**FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY SESSION OF THE ECOWAS  
AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT**

Abuja, 17 - 18 July 2013

**DECISION A/DEC.3/07/13 RELATING TO THE ALLOCATION OF THE  
POSTS OF DIRECTOR-GENERAL AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR-  
GENERAL OF THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL ACTION GROUP  
AGAINST MONEY LAUNDERING IN WEST AFRICA (GIABA) TO  
MEMBER STATES**

**THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT,**

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

**MINDFUL** of Decision A/DEC.9/1/99 establishing an Inter-Governmental Action Group against Money Laundering in Africa (GIABA);

**MINDFUL** of Decision A/DEC.6/12/00 adopting the Statutes of GIABA;

**MINDFUL** of Decision A/DEC.10/01/05 allocating the posts of Administrative Secretary and Deputy Administrative Secretary to the Federal Republic of Nigeria and the Republic of Senegal respectively;

**MINDFUL** of Regulation C/REG.21/01/05 appointing the Administrative Secretary and the Deputy Administrative Secretary of GIABA for a term of four (4) years;

**MINDFUL** of Regulation C/REG.1/06/06 approving the organisational structure of the Commission of the Economic Community of West African States and stipulating that the former Administrative Secretary and Deputy Administrative Secretary of GIABA shall be known as Director-General and Deputy Director-General respectively;



**MINDFUL** of Article 18 (f) of the Treaty as amended by Protocol A/SP1/06/06 referred to above, relating to the appointment of the other statutory appointees of the Community Institutions and limiting their tenure to a non-renewable period of four (4) years;

**MINDFUL** Decision A/DEC.2/08/08 relating to the re-allocation of the posts of Director General and Deputy Director General of Nigeria and Senegal for another four (4) year term

**CONSIDERING** that the tenure of the Director General and the Deputy Director General of GIABA expired on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2013 and 11<sup>th</sup> January 2013 respectively;

**RESPONDING** to the need to ensure the uninterrupted functioning of this institution by allocating the posts of Director-General and Deputy Director-General of the Inter-Governmental Group against Money Laundering (GIABA) to Member States, with a view to attaining the objectives of the fight against money laundering and the financing of terrorism;

**DESIRING** to allocate these posts to Member States;

**AFTER DUE CONSIDERATION** by the Authority of Heads of State and Government at its 43<sup>rd</sup> Session held in Abuja on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> July 2013 of allocation proposals of certain statutory positions into Community Institutions.

#### **DECIDES:**

#### **ARTICLE 1**

1. The posts of Director-General and Deputy Director-General GIABA are hereby allocated to the following Member States:
  - (a) Director-General: - Republic of Côte d'Ivoire
  - (b) Deputy Director-General: - Republic of Ghana



2. The positions of Director General and Deputy Director General allocated to the Member States referred to under paragraph 1 of this Article, shall be for a four (4) year non-renewable period.

### **ARTICLE 2**

The President of the ECOWAS Commission shall initiate the process for the recruitment of the Director- General and Deputy Director-General in accordance with the modalities provided for under Supplementary Act A/SP.14/02/12 on the modalities of allocation and appointment of Statutory Appointees.

### **ARTICLE 3**

This Decision shall be published by the ECOWAS Commission in the Official Journal of the Community, within thirty (30) days of its signature by the Chairman of Authority. It shall also be published by each Member State in its Official Journal, within thirty (30) days after its notification by the Commission.

**DONE AT ABUJA, THIS 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY 2013**

**H.E. ALASSANE OUATTARA**

CHAIRMAN

FOR THE AUTHORITY