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ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BANJUL, 4 - 6 DECEMBER, 1988

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FINAL REPORT



I. INTRODUCTION

1. The Twenty-Fourth session of the Council of Ministers of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) was held from 4 to 6 December, 1988 in Banjul, Republic of The Gambia.

2. The following Member States were represented:

- The People's Republic of BENIN
- BURKINA FASO
- The Republic of CAPE VERDE
- The Republic of COTE D'IVOIRE
- The Republic of THE GAMBIA
- The Republic of GHANA
- The Republic of GUINEA
- The Republic of MALI
- The Islamic Republic of MAURITANIA
- The Republic of NIGER
- The Federal Republic of NIGERIA
- The Republic of SENEGAL
- The Republic of SIERRA LEONE
- The Republic of TOGO

The List of Participants is attached as an annex to this Report.

II. OPENING SESSION

3. The session was officially opened by the Honourable Minister of Economic Planning and Industrial Development of the Republic of The Gambia, Mr. MBEMBA JATTA, current Chairman of the ECOWAS Council of Ministers. He welcomed his distinguished colleagues and delegates on behalf of His Excellency, Alhaji Sir DAWDA KAIRABA JAWARA, President of the Republic of The Gambia and current Chairman of the Authority of Heads of State and Government of ECOWAS, as well as the Government and people of The Gambia.

4. In his capacity as the current Chairman of the Council of Ministers, Honourable Mbemba Jatta gave a brief summary of activities undertaken by the Community since the last statutory meetings in Lome in June 1988.

5. The Chairman briefed the session on the outcome of his visit with the current Chairman of the Authority of Heads of State and Government of ECOWAS to the Republics of Togo and Nigeria, host countries of the headquarters of Community Institutions. During that visit, His Excellency Alhaji Sir Dawda Kairaba JAWARA, Chairman of the Authority held fruitful discussions on Community matters with Their Excellencies General GNASSINGBE EYADEMA, Founder-Chairman of the Togolese People's Rally, President of the Republic Togo, and General IBRAHIM BADAMASI BABANGIDA, President,

Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria. The Honourable Minister's address is attached as an annex to this Report.

6. Council expressed sincere thanks and appreciation to the Gambian authorities for the warm and fraternal welcome accorded all delegations and for the facilities put at their disposal for the success of their meetings.

III. ELECTION OF BUREAU

7. The following Bureau was elected:

- Chairman - Republic of The Gambia
- Rapporteurs - Republic of Sierra-Leone
- Republic of Togo

IV. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

8. The draft agenda proposed by the Executive Secretariat was amended and adopted as follows:

1. Opening Ceremony
 - (i) Opening address by the Chairman of the Council of Ministers
 - (ii) Election of the Bureau
 - (iii) Adoption of the Provisional Agenda
2. Report of the Executive Secretary
3. Reports of the Technical Commissions
 - (i) Administration and Finance
 - (ii) Trade, Customs, Immigration, Money and Payments

(iii) Transport, Communications and Energy
(Transport Sub-Commission)

4. Establishment and composition of the Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee for the Selection and Evaluation of Statutory Appointees
5. Selection of the new Executive Secretary of ECOWAS
6. Report of the Conference on the indebtedness of ECOWAS Member States
7. Progress Report on Construction of the Headquarters of Community's Institutions (Fund and Executive Secretariat)
8. Report of the Board of Directors of the Fund
9. Any other matter
10. Adoption of report and closing ceremony.

V. OUTCOME OF DELIBERATIONS

Item 2 : The Executive Secretary's Report

9. The Executive Secretary presented his last report to Council before the expiration of his term of office on 31 December 1988.
10. In its broad outlines, the report highlighted the latest developments in the economic situation of the sub-region and focused attention on progress made in the implementation of Community programmes since the last session of Council in June 1988. It also contained the Executive Secretariat's Work Programmes for 1989.
11. Council took note of the Executive Secretary's report and commended him on the quality of the document.

12. Council, however, requested the Executive Secretary to complete his report by preparing an end of service report to be submitted to his successor, including a record of activities undertaken by the Community during his tenure of office as well as his vision of the future prospects of the Community.

13. The Executive Secretary acknowledged the validity of these observations and informed Council that he was in fact in the process of preparing detailed handing over notes which would cover all the comments and observations made by Council.

14. With regard to the implementation of Community programmes, Council requested the Executive Secretariat to convene, before the end of the year, the meeting scheduled to be held between Benin and Togo to determine the meeting point in respect of the road linking the Ghana border -Noepe - and the Benin border.

Item 3 : Reports of Technical Commissions

(i) The Administration and Finance Commission Report

15. After the presentation of the report, Council adopted the **report** and endorsed the recommendations of the Administration and Finance Commission subject to the following observations on the items hereunder:

16. With regard to the Commission's report on the payment of allowances for tuition fees of children of Statutory Appointees and professional staff, Council decided that, as from the 1st of January 1989, an allowance not exceeding US\$1,000 per child per annum should be paid irrespective of geographical location of the school. Fees will be refunded upon presentation of supporting documents.

- As regards tuition fees over US\$1,000 already paid for some officers for the current academic year, Council decided that such payments should be considered as a right already granted, on the understanding, however, that, in future, no payment of the kind can be made by the Community Institutions. The personnel concerned shall continue to enjoy this benefit up to the end of the 1988-1989 academic year.
- Furthermore, Council requested the Community Institutions to submit to it at its next session a study on the possibility of paying the tuition fees of children of General Service and Auxiliary staff members.

17. On the issue of staff training not exceeding three months, Council decided that a subsistence allowance be paid at the rate of a full per diem according to the grade of the officer for the first period of 28 days. One quarter of the per diem will be payable for the rest of the period.

18. Furthermore, it was decided that:

- where an external agency does not provide full sponsorship covering fees, transportation, subsistence, etc., the Community will pay the requisite balance to cover such costs, excluding those in respect of language courses;
- language courses will not be paid for by the Community.

19. The relevant Council decision attached to this Report reflects the above-mentioned recommendations.

20. On the improvement of the physical and financial resources of ECOWAS National Units, Council recalled that, though it recognised the importance of these units in the follow-up of the implementation of Community acts and decisions, they are to be financed by Member States. To this end, Council calls upon all Member States to improve, whenever necessary, the human, physical and financial resources of the units.

21. The portion in the Commission's report on the consideration of the Financial Controller's report relating to external loans negotiations was amended as follows:

"The Community Institutions are requested to make available to the Financial Controller all documents relating to external aid. All contract documents must be scrutinised by the Financial Controller before they are submitted to the Community decision-making bodies for approval".

22. Council noted the poor attendance of Ministers at the November sessions. Member States were requested to take the necessary steps in future to ensure that Ministers attend and participate actively in all Council session, especially the November sessions. Council agreed to consider this matter more fully at its next session.

23. Council also requested the Executive Secretariat to take all necessary measures for the organisation of statutory meetings relating to Budgets, especially the Council of Ministers, during the first days of November each year.

24. After the Republic of Senegal accepted to remove its reservation on the Work Programme of the Energy Division of the Executive Secretariat, Council decided to include the cost of the pre-feasibility study on the inter-connection of electric grids (OMVG-OMVS) in the Studies Budget of the Executive Secretariat. The Executive Secretariat was requested to take measures to effect the necessary resource adjustments through virement from one budget to another. It was understood that this proposed adjustment process would not under any circumstance lead to an increase in the overall size of the 1989 Executive Secretariat Budget. The two organisations, namely OMVG and OMVS were expected to make a formal request to the Executive Secretariat to this end.

25. Council approved the Executive Secretariat's 1989 Budget balanced out at Six million one hundred and twenty-six thousand nine hundred and five units of account (UA 6,126,905) in income and expenditure.

26. Council also approved the Consolidated Accounts of the Institutions of the Community for the 1987 Financial Year.

(ii) Trade, Customs, Immigration, Money and Payments
Commission

27. After presentation by the Chairman of the Commission, Council approved the Commission's report, subject to the following observations and recommendations:

- The updated percentages to be used in determining Member States' annual contributions to the budgets of the Community were worked out in accordance with the provisions of the relevant Protocol and in line with the Council of Ministers' directives issued at its June 1988 session in Lome. The updated percentages will be submitted to the Authority of Heads of State and Government at its next session for possible negotiation. The Executive Secretariat was directed to prepare a Memorandum for that session of the Authority on the possible implications of the adoption of the new contribution coefficients, in relation to the situation presented by arrears in contributions.

28. The tables on the updated percentages for the determination of Member States contributions to the budgets of the Community are attached as appendices to this Report.

However, Council requested the Executive Secretariat to update the tables by using the data relating to the 1986-1988 period.

29. Council also took a decision relating to the adoption of the provisional budget for the compensation of loss of revenue to be suffered by Member States as a result of the implementation of the intra-Community trade liberalisation scheme. A decision on the list of firms and industrial products approved to benefit from the ECOWAS Trade Liberalisation Scheme was also adopted.

(iii) Transport, Communications and Energy Commission

30 Following presentation of the report of the Commission, Council adopted it, as well as the annexed recommendations, subject to the following observations:

31. With regard to the recommendation on the establishment of the ECOWAS Reinsurance Corporation (ECO-RE), Council requested Member States to encourage private promoters to participate in the development of the company.

32. The Executive Secretariat was requested to establish in future the order of priority for activities to be undertaken, it being understood that road transport development programmes should be regarded as priority activities.

33. Council further stated that only activities contained in the programmes of the Transport Division to which votes have been allocated should be implemented during the 1989 fiscal year. Other activities having financial implications could be considered in subsequent budgets.

34. Council also decided that, in future, only programmes duly authorised by the Community's decision-making bodies should be included in the studies vote of the Executive Secretariat.

Item 4 : Composition and Establishment of the Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee for the Selection of Statutory Appointees and Evaluation of their Performance

35. This item was discussed in closed session.

Item 5 : Selection of the New Executive Secretary of ECOWAS

36. This item was discussed in closed session.

Item 6 : Report on the Conference on the Indebtedness of
ECOWAS Member States

37. After presentation of the report, Council noted it, as well as the recommendations contained therein.

Item 7 : Provisional Report on the Construction of the
Headquarters of Community Institutions (Fund and
Executive Secretariat)

38. The ECOWAS Fund Management gave an account of the state of payments of contributions for the construction of the Community Institutions headquarters. The report noted that only seven (7) Member States had paid up their contributions for the construction of the Institutions' headquarters.

39. In view of this situation, Council adopted the recommendation of the Administration and Finance Commission and decided that a delegation comprising the Chairman of the Council of Ministers, the Executive Secretary and the Managing Director of the Fund be sent to the current Chairman of the Authority and to the Presidents of the host countries with a view to finding an appropriate solution to the problem.

Item 8 : Report of the Board of Directors of the Fund

40. Council noted the report of the Board of Directors as well as the recommendations contained therein.

Item 9 : Any other Matters

41. Council directed the Chief Executives of the two Institutions of the Community to enforce discipline among all levels of staff.

42. The delegation from the Republic of Sierra Leone informed Council of the desire of the Mano River Union to put at the disposal of ECOWAS the facilities of its Telecommunications Institute.

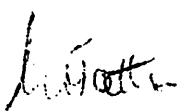
V. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

43. This Report was adopted.

V. CLOSING SESSION

44. In his closing remarks, the Chairman of Council, Honourable Mbemba JATTA appealed to all Member States to strive to honour their financial obligations to the Community and faithfully implement all Community Acts and Decisions. The Chairman expressed his gratitude to his honourable colleagues and distinguished delegates for their high sense of responsibility, understanding and cooperation during the session. He thanked the staff of the two Institutions of the Community for their devotion to duty. The Chairman expressed the appreciation of the Community to the outgoing Executive Secretary, Alhaji Momodu MUNU for his contribution to the building of the Community and wished him every success in his future endeavours.

DONE AT BANJUL, THIS 6TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1988


HON. M.B. JATTA

CHAIRMAN

FOR THE COUNCIL

ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BANJUL, 4 - 6 DECEMBER 1988

DECISION C/DEC.1/12/88 ON THE ADOPTION OF THE BUDGET OF
THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT FOR THE 1989 FINANCIAL YEAR

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 on the
budget of the Community;

HAVING CONSIDERED the draft budget proposed by the Administration
and Finance Commission for the 1989 Financial Year;

D E C I D E S

Article 1

The budget of the Executive Secretariat for 1989 which is
balanced out at the sum of Six million one hundred and twenty
six thousand nine hundred and five Units of Account
(6.126.905 UA) is hereby adopted.

Article 2

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.

DONE AT BANJUL, THIS 6TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1988


HON. M'BEMBA JATTA
CHAIRMAN

FOR THE COUNCIL

ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BANJUL, 4 - 6 DECEMBER 1988

DECISION C/DEC.2/12/88 APPROVING THE ACCOUNTS OF THE
COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONS FOR THE 1987 BUDGET YEAR.

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 Recommendations of the Administration and Finance
Commission on approval of the accounts and financial statements
of the Community Institutions for the 1987 budget year;

D E C I D E S

Article 1

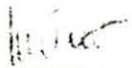
The Accounts of the Community Institutions (the Executive
Secretariat and Fund) and their consolidated accounts for the
1987 budget year, are hereby approved.

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Article 2

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 BANJUL, THIS 6TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1988


Hon. M'BEMBA JATTA

CHAIRMAN
FOR THE COUNCIL

ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BANJUL, 4 - 6 DECEMBER 1988

DECISION C/DEC 3/12/88 RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF
REGULATIONS GOVERNING MEDICAL EXPENSES.

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

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

MINDFUL of the RECOMMENDATION of the Administration
and Finance Commission on the adoption of the regulations
governing medical expenses.

D E C I D E S

Article 1

The following Regulations governing medical expenses
are hereby adopted:

1.1 Appointment of Physicians

- (a) The Community Institutions shall appoint physicians
to cater for the health and medical needs of their
staff in every duty station. The terms binding the
Community Institutions and the physicians shall be
in writing.
- (b) An appointed physician may recommend a staff of a
Community Institution or his dependants for treat-
ment by another physician and any bills from such a
recommended physician shall be acceptable for reim-
bursement provided that such a recommendation is made
in writing and presented along with the claim.

1.2 Medical Treatment Overseas

- (a) Where it becomes necessary in the opinion of an appointed physician that a staff or his dependants should receive treatment abroad, he shall communicate this in writing to the Head of the relevant Community Institution indicating the country and hospital where treatment is to be had and also an estimate of cost if this is possible. The Head of the Institutions shall then make immediate arrangement to send the staff or dependant abroad for treatment authorising a personal advance in the sum recommended by the physician. The advance should be accounted for within nine (9) days of the return of the patient.
- (b) Where a dependant is not resident in the duty station of a staff, the recommendation of a physician in the place of the residence of the dependant, shall be endorsed by a government hospital.
- (c) If it becomes indispensable on the advice of a recognised Medical Doctor to have the ailing staff or dependant accompanied by a Medical Practitioner from his place of residence to an appropriate hospital abroad, the Institution shall bear the travel expenses of the practitioner and pay him a subsistence allowance covering not more than a period of seven (7) days. Doctors shall be paid the per diem of professionals but where they are Consultants the per diem of Directors.
- (d) Where the ailing dependant is a child as defined in Article 24(b) of the Staff Regulations, the Institutions shall bear the transport expenses of a member of the dependant child's family accompanying him from his place of residence to the hospital abroad. Should it be recommended that a doctor accompany the child, then sub-paragraph (c) above will also apply to the doctor as regards transportation and subsistence allowance.

- (e) Should the staff or dependant die following the medical evacuation abroad, the Institution shall bear the cost of repatriation of the corpse to the place of origin as stipulated in the Staff Regulations.

1.3 Community Contribution:

Community Institutions shall, until further notice, reimburse 80% of the cost of approved medical expenses, Reimbursement will apply only to the following:

- (a) Doctors', Surgeons' and Specialists' fees;
- (b) Charges for radiography, radioscopy, plastering and various medical analysis where ordered by the medical practitioner;
- (c) Pharmaceutical charges, that is, for the medicines and other items prescribed by medical practitioner and specified in his prescription excluding:
 - i. foodstuffs and dietary or substitutive foods, tonics, wines, mineral waters, etc.;
 - ii. articles for medical use, thermometer, syringe, icepacks, hot water bottle, enema-syringe, inhaling basin, irrigator, probe cupping, glass etc.,
 - iii. orthopaedic and prosthetic appliances spectacles (frames), surgical bandages elastics and appliances in general;
 - iv. medicines or products which are preventive rather than curative including serum and vaccine (except in the case of an officially

recognised epidemic, when the Community Institutions may make arrangements for collective health measures).

- (d) Surgical expenses (excluding operations whose purpose is aesthetic only, or to remedy a congenital infirmity or malformation);
- (e) Hospital expenses when hospitalisation is prescribed by a doctor, for the performance of an operation or for treatment necessitating continuous care and observation, as provided in hospital, excluding however telephone, tips, items of personal consumption etc.,
- (f) Maternity expenses i.e all medical expenses incurred during pregnancy and confinement including treatment following upon the confinement;

1.4 Refund of Medical Expenses

- (a) Requests for refund of Medical expenses incurred by a staff member or his dependant may be presented directly to the Community Institutions by approved physicians.
- (b) Medical bills not issued by a clinic or hospital or by a physician approved by Headquarters of the Institutions will not be paid or refunded except in certified cases of emergency or where the bill is in respect of treatment of a dependant not resident in the duty station of the staff member.
- (c) All requests for reimbursement shall be submitted to the Department of Administration or Finance depending on the practice in each Institution. Such requests shall be made within one month (from the date of the bill), along with relevant supporting documents (prescriptions, certificates, bills, receipts) where such expenditure was not incurred in a clinic or

such expenditure was not incurred in a clinic or hospital of an approved physician.

1.5 Processing of Claims

The Department of Administration shall ensure that all requests for reimbursement of medical expenses are correct and are presented in accordance with the provisions of the current regulation.

1.6 Payment of Claims

The Department of Finance shall verify requests submitted to it by the Department of Administration and effect refund.

Article 2

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.

DONE AT BANJUL, THIS 6TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1988


Hon. M'BEMBA JATTA

CHAIRMAN
FOR THE COUNCIL

ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BANJUL, 4 - 6 DECEMBER 1988

DECISION C/DEC. 4/12/88 RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF
REGULATIONS GOVERNING STAFF TRAINING, SEMINARS,
WORKSHOPS AND COURSES.

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

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

MINDFUL of the Recommendations of the Administration and Finance
Commission on the adoption of the regulations governing Staff
Training, Seminars, Workshops and Courses;

D E C I D E S

Article 1

The following Regulations governing Staff Training, Seminars,
Workshops and Courses are hereby adopted as follows:

(i) Seminars, Workshops and other training courses to be
sponsored by the Community Institution should not exceed
3 months. Staff members will be entitled to their full salary
while on such training. Subsistence allowance will be paid at
the rate of a full per diem relevant to the grade of the officer
for the first period of 20 days. One quarter of the per diem
will be payable for the rest of the period.

(ii) In the case where courses are to be sponsored through external assistance, for a period not exceeding three months, the Community shall pay the full salary of the Officer concerned and the difference between the subsistence allowance granted by the External Agency and that which is paid by the Community if the former is lower. Where the External Agency does not provide full sponsorship covering fees, transportation, subsistence, etc., the Community shall pay the requisite outstanding balance to cover such cost provided such courses are not language courses.

(iii) Where an officer wishes to undertake a course lasting more than three (3) months, such requests must be approved by the Heads of the Institutions. The officer will be accorded leave without pay for a period not exceeding one year. No salary shall be paid to the officer and the Community will not make any financial or material contribution to the training.

(iv) Attendance at language courses shall not be paid for by the Community Institutions.

Article 2

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 BANJUL, THIS 6TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1988


HON. M'BEMBA JATTA

CHAIRMAN

FOR THE COUNCIL

ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BANJUL, 4 - 6 DECEMBER 1988

DECISION C/DEC 5/12/88 ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PROVISIONAL
COMPENSATION BUDGET FOR THE TAKE-OFF OF THE INTRA-COMMUNITY
TRADE LIBERALISATION SCHEME

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 Protocol relating to the definition of the
concept of products originating from ECOWAS Member
States and subsequent amendment Acts and Decisions;

MINDFUL of the Protocol relating to the assessment of loss
of revenue suffered by ECOWAS Member States;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.8/5/79 dated 29 May 1979 of the
Authority of ECOWAS Heads of State and Government
on the consolidation of duties and taxes of
equivalent effect and non-tariff barriers;

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

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.1/5/83 dated 30 May 1983 of the Authority of Heads of State and Government relating to the adoption and implementation of a single trade liberalisation scheme for industrial products originating from Member States of the Community;

AWARE of the need to adopt a provisional compensation budget for the take-off of the intra-Community trade liberalisation scheme;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Trade, Customs, Immigration, Money and Payments Commission which met in Banjul, from 17 to 21 November, 1988;

UPON ADVICE of the Administration and Finance Commission which met in Banjul, from 17 to 30 November, 1988;

HEREBY DECIDES

Article 1 :

A provisional compensation budget fixed at one million three hundred and three thousand eight hundred and twenty-three Units of Account (UA. 1,303,823) is hereby adopted to ensure the effective take-off of the intra-community trade liberalisation scheme.

The amount shall be paid into a special fund to be managed by the ECOWAS Fund and shall constitute the permanent resources of the Fund which shall exclusively be for the payment of loss of revenue suffered by Member States as a result of the implementation of the trade liberalisation scheme.

Article 2 :

Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 10 of Decision A/DEC.10/5/80 relating to the compensation procedures, the payment of contributions to the provisional budget by the Member States concerned shall be made in quarterly instalments, full payment being effected not later than 31 December, 1989.

The Table attached as an appendix shows the breakdown of contributions to the budget.

Article 3 :

In view of the fact that contributions to the compensation budget shall be on the basis of estimated instalment payments, such payments shall be considered as placements that shall bear interest. Such interest shall be payable to contributing Member States, provided such payments have not been used for the payment of compensation. This provision shall be kept under constant review.

Article 4 :

The Executive Secretary and the Managing Director of the ECOWAS Fund shall be responsible for the implementation of this decision.

Article 5 :

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.

DONE AT BANJUL THIS 6TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1988


HON.. M'BEMBA JATTA

CHAIRMAN

FOR THE COUNCIL

Tableau/Table 1

COMMUNAUTE ECONOMIQUE DES ETATS DE L'AFRIQUE DE L'OUEST
ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

COEFFICIENTS ACTUALISES DE CONTRIBUTIONS DES
 ETATS MEMBRES AUX BUDGETS DE LA COMMUNAUTE
 UPDATED COEFFICIENTS OF CONTRIBUTIONS BY MEMBER
 STATES TO THE BUDGETS OF THE COMMUNITY
 (MOYENNE / AVERAGE) 1977-85

ETAT MEMBRE MEMBER STATE	COEFFICIENTS / COEFFICIENTS		
	EN VIGUEUR IN CURRENT USE %	VERSION ACTUALISEE UPDATED VERSION %	VARIATION CHANGE %
BENIN	3.0	4.0	+ 33.3
BURKINA FASO	2.6	2.4	- 7.7
CAPE VERDE	1.0	4.5	+350.0
COTE D'IVOIRE	13.0	14.4	+ 10.8
GAMBIA	2.6	4.8	+ 84.6
GHANA	12.9	6.8	- 47.3
GUINEE	2.9	5.3	+ 82.8
GUINEE BISSAU	1.5	2.5	+ 66.7
LIBERIA	6.7	7.5	+ 11.9
MALI	1.9	2.5	+ 31.6
MAURITANIE	3.6	6.8	+ 88.9
NIGER	2.1	5.0	+138.1
NIGERIA	32.8	17.2	- 47.6
SENEGAL	5.4	6.7	+ 24.1
SIERRA LEONE	4.4	4.7	+ 6.8
TOGO	3.6	4.9	+ 36.1
COMMUNAUTE/COMMUNITY	100.0	100.0	0.0

* Based on GDP data at current market prices
 Sur la base de données des prix courants

COMMUNAUTE ECONOMIQUE DES ETATS DE L'AFRIQUE DE L'OUEST
ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

COEFFICIENTS ACTUALISES DE CONTRIBUTIONS DES ETATS MEMBRES AUX BUDGETS DE LA COMMUNAUTE
UPDATED COEFFICIENTS OF CONTRIBUTIONS BY MEMBER STATES TO THE BUDGETS OF THE COMMUNITY
MOYENNE / AVERAGE (1977 - 85)

PAYS/COUNTRY	1977 - 1979		1980 - 1982		1983 - 1985		1977 - 1985	
	- Facteur V Factor	Coefficient %	- Facteur V Factor	Coefficient %	- Facteur V Factor	Coefficient %	- Facteur V Factor	Coefficient %
BENIN	.319293	3.8	.363175	4.2	.341315	4.0	.341261	4.0
BURKINA FASO	.221944	2.6	.212494	2.5	.184858	2.2	.206432	2.4
CAPE VERDE	.328452	3.9	.381320	4.4	.425119	5.0	.378297	4.5
COTE D'IVOIRE	1.424834	16.8	1.253050	14.6	.987460	11.7	1.221781	14.4
GAMBIA	.435190	5.1	.410151	4.8	.387321	4.6	.410221	4.8
GHANA	.473965	5.6	.419244	4.9	.823864	9.7	.572358	6.8
GUINEE	.351540	4.2	.425620	5.0	.572297	6.8	.452152	5.3
GUINEE BISSAU	.204690	2.4	.235373	2.7	.182347	2.2	.207470	2.5
LIBERIA	.805871	9.5	.555763	6.5	.548056	6.5	.636563	7.5
MALI	.203436	2.4	.236175	2.8	.204442	2.4	.214684	2.5
MAURITANIA	.506115	5.9	.583567	6.8	.634488	7.5	.574723	6.8
NIGER	.408560	4.8	.455381	5.3	.402291	4.8	.422077	5.0
NIGERIA	1.334122	15.7	1.566678	18.2	1.472005	17.4	1.457602	17.2
SENEGAL	.590037	6.9	.548211	6.4	.562201	6.7	.566816	6.7
SIERRA LEONE	.407052	4.8	.425050	4.9	.363951	4.3	.396004	4.7
TOGO	.478557	5.6	.432287	5.0	.358789	4.2	.416544	4.9
COMMUNAUTE COMMUNITY	8.458658	100.0	8.603539	100.0	8.450804	100.0	8.477665	100.0

ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BANJUL, 4 - 6 DECEMBER, 1988

DECISION C/DEC 6/12/88 RELATING TO THE LIST OF INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES AND PRODUCTS ELIGIBLE TO BENEFIT FROM THE TRADE LIBERALISATION SCHEME OF ECOWAS MEMBER STATES

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

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

MINDFUL of the Protocol relating to the concept of products originating from ECOWAS Member States and subsequent amendment acts and decisions;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.15/5/80 of the Authority of Heads of State and Government, fixing the level of participation in the authorised capital of industrial enterprises wishing to benefit from preferential taxation under the intra-Community trade liberalisation scheme;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC/1/5/83 dated 28 May, 1983 of the Authority of Heads of State and Government on the adoption and implementation of a single trade liberalisation scheme for industrial products originating from Member States of the Community;

MINDFUL of Decision C/DEC.3/5/80 dated 25 May, 1980 of the Council of Ministers and relating to proof and verification of the Community origin of products and the procedures applicable to the movement of goods within the Community;

MINDFUL of Decision C/DEC.3/6/88 dated 21 June, 1988 of the Council of Ministers defining the procedure for the approval of industrial products and enterprises eligible for the ECOWAS trade liberalisation scheme;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Trade, Customs, Immigration, Money and Payments Commission meeting in Banjul from 17 to 21 November, 1988;

HEREBY DECIDES

Article 1 : Industrial enterprises and goods fulfilling the ECOWAS Rules of origin conditions and approved as being eligible for inclusion in the intra-Community trade liberalisation scheme are those contained in the List herewith attached as an Annex to this Decision.

Article 2 : The list referred to in Article 1 may be amended or completed by the Council of Ministers, on the advice of the Trade, Customs, Immigration, Money and Payments Commission in accordance with the approved procedure stipulated by Decision C/DEC.3/6/88 dated 21st June, 1988.

Article 3 : Member States and the Executive Secretariat shall take all measures necessary for the implementation of this Decision.

The Executive Secretary shall give each enterprise concerned a number which must feature on the Certificate of Origin and on the ECOWAS Declaration Forms and inform Member States accordingly.

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.

DONE AT BANJUL, THIS 6TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1988


HON. M'BEMBA JATTA
CHAIRMAN

FOR THE COUNCIL

TABLEAU I/TABLE I

PERTES DE RECETTES EN UNITES DE COMPTE & MONNAIE LOCALE/
LOSS OF REVENUE IN UNITS OF ACCOUNT & LOCAL CURRENCY

E T A T M E M B R E M E M B E R S T A T E	PERTES DE RECETTES LOSS OF REVENUE	
	MONNAIE LOCALE LOCAL CURRENCY	UNITES DE COMPTE UNITS OF ACCOUNT
1. BENIN CFAF	2.968.220	7.372
2. BURKINA FASO CFAF	18.730.000	46.519
3. CAP-VERT E\$	20.700	224
4. COTE D'IVOIRE CFAF	106.638.564	264.855
5. GAMBIE D	1.794	224
6. GHANA ¢	20.855.927	98.827
7. GUINEE FR G	7.514.123	12.220
8. GUINEE BISSAU PESO	3.376.095	3.995
9. LIBERIA L\$	158.791	121.866
10. MALI CFAF	8.140.000	20.217
11. MAURITANIE OUGUIYA	626.717	6.207
12. NIGER CFAF	5.340.000	13.263
13. NIGERIA N	285.894	49.947
14. SENEGAL CFAF	211.607.534	525.563
15. SIERRA LEONE Le	184.300	3.999
16. TOGO CFAF	51.748.029	128.525
TOTAL	-	1.303.823

- N = 5.724

- CFAF = 402.630

- ¢ = 211.035

- E\$ = 92.607

- FR.G = 614.921

- PESO = 845

- OUGUIYA = 100.934

- Le = 46.090

- D = 8.027

- L\$ = 1.303

PARTICIPATION DES ETATS MEMBRES AUX ECHANGES INTRA-COMMUNAUTAIRES DES PRODUITS ELIGIBLES
ET LEUR CONTRIBUTION AU BUDGET DE COMPENSATION
PROPORTIONS OF ELIGIBLE PRODUCTS OF MEMBER STATES IN INTRA-COMMUNITY TRADE AND
CONTRIBUTIONS OF MEMBER STATES

TABLEAU/TABLE II

ETATS MEMBRES MEMBER STATES	VALEUR DES EXPORTATIONS VALUE OF EXPORTS		POURCENTAGES DES EXPOR- TATIONS PAR ETAT MEMBRES PERCENTAGE OF EXPORT PER MEMBER STATE %	MONTANT DES CONTRIBUTIONS AU BUDGET DE COMPENSATION CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMPENSATION BUDGET	
	MONNAIE LOCALE LOCAL CURRENCY (IN/EN MILLIONS)	UNITE DE COMPTE U.A. EQUIVALENT		MONNAIE LOCALE LOCAL CURRENCY	UNITE DE COMPTE U.A. EQUIVALENT
BENIN	CFA 956.6	2,375,878	11.30	CFA 59.316.257	147,332
BURKINA FASO	CFA 982.5	2,440,205	11.61	CFA 60.947.714	151,374
CAPE VERDE	E\$ 17.9	193,290	0.92	E\$ 1,110,821	11,995
COTE D'IVOIRE	-	-	-	-	-
GAMBIA	-	-	-	-	-
GHANA	¢ 67,7	320,800	1.53	¢ 4,209,726	19,948
GUINEE	-	-	-	-	-
GUINEE BISSAU	-	-	-	-	-
LIBERIA	-	-	-	-	-
MALI	CFA 107.6	267,243	1.27	CFA 6.667.150	16,559
MAURITANIE	-	-	-	-	-
NIGER	CFA 127.9	317,661	1.51	CFA 7.926.979	19,688
NIGERIA	N 86,465	15,105,695	71.85	N 5,362,226	936,797
SENEGAL	CFA 471.0	1,170	0.01	CFA 52.342	130
SIERRA LEONE	-	-	-	-	-
TOGO	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		21,021,942	100.00		11,303,823

1,303,823 (CFA - 524.958.255 : E\$ - 120.743.137 : FR.G - 801.748.143
(N 7,463,083 : Le - 60,093,202 D - 10,465,787
(¢ - 275,152,287 : L\$ 1,698,881 OUGUIYA- 131.600.071

ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BANJUL, 4 - 6 DECEMBER, 1988

DECISION C/DEC 7/12/88 ON THE TRANSFER OF THE HIGHER
COMMITTEE FOR LAND TRANSPORT (HCLT) TO THE ECOWAS
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT

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 Articles 40 and 41 of
the said Treaty relating to a Common Transport, Communications
and Road Network Policy;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC 20/5/80 of the Authority of
Heads of State and Government dated 29th May 1980 on the
Community Transport Programme.

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Transport, Communications
and Energy Commission which met in Lome 25 - 28 April 1988.

HEREBY DECIDES

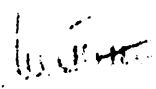
Article 1

The Higher Committee for Land Transport (HCLT) is
hereby transferred to the ECOWAS Executive Secretariat and
becomes a special Consultation Committee within the
Transport, Communications and Energy Commission.

Article 2

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 BANJUL, THIS 6TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1988


HON. M'BEMBA JATTA
CHAIRMAN

FOR THE COUNCIL

ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

24TH SESSION OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BANJUL 4 - 6 DECEMBER 1988

DECISION C/DEC. 8 /12/88 ON THE SECOND PHASE
OF ECOWAS ROAD PROJECTS RELATING TO INTERCONNECTING
ROADS FOR THE OPENING UP OF THE LAND-LOCKED COUNTRIES

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 40 and 41 of the said Treaty
relating to a common Transport, Communications and Road Network Policy;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC 20/5/80 of the Authority of Heads of State
and Government dated 29 May 1980 on the Community Transport Programme.

AFTER examining the Report of the Transport Communications and
Energy Commission meeting held in Lome 25-28 April 1988

HEREBY DECIDES

ARTICLE 1 :

The Second Phase of ECOWAS Road Projects relating to the
Interconnecting Roads for the opening up of the Land locked countries
is hereby adopted

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The following shall be the Community Interconnecting Roads
for construction IN BENIN

The Executive Secretariat shall ~~monitor~~ the execution of
these Interconn

ARTICLE 2 :

The following Interconnecting Roads shall constitute the
Second Phase of the ECOWAS Roads Projects;

IN BENIN :

- | | |
|---------------------|----------|
| 1°/ SAVALOU-DJOUYOU | (221 km) |
| 2°/ DJOUYOU-PORGA | (225 km) |
| 3°/ DJOUYOU-PARAKOU | (134 km) |

IN BURKINA FASO

- | | |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| 1°/ OUAGADOUGOU-KAYA-DORI | (260 km) |
| 2°/ FADA N'GOURMA-PAMA-FRONT BENIN | (140 km) |
| 3°/ YAKO-OUAHIGOUYA-FRONT.MALI | |
| 4°/ OUAGADOUGOU-LEO-FRONT GHANA | (179 km) |
| 5°/ BOBO DIOULASSO-DEDOUGOU | (175 km) |

IN COTE D'IVOIRE

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| 1°/ FRONT-MALI-TIEFINZE-ODLENE-MAN-SAN PEDRO | |
| 2°/ FRONT-BURKINA FASO-LALERABA-
OUANGOLODOUGOU-FEREKESSE-DOUGOU-ABIDJAN | |

IN GHANA

- | | |
|---|------------|
| 1°/ KUMASI-KINTAMPO | (180 km) |
| 2°/ KINTAMPO-YAPEI | (147.8 km) |
| 3°/ YAPEI-TAMALE | (48.2 km) |
| 4°/ TAMALE-BOLGATANGA | (162 km) |
| 5°/ BOLGATANGA-NAVRONGO-PAGA-
FRONT-BURKINA FASO | (37.8 km) |
| 6°/ NAVRONGO-TUMU-FRONT. BURKINA FASO | |

IN GUINEA :

1°/	KANKAN-FRONT-MALI	(313 km)
2°/	CONAKRY-DABOLA-KOUROUSSA-KANKAN	(410 km)
3°/	LABE-FRONT- SENEGAL	
4°/	FRONT. MALI-KANKAN-NZEROKORE FRONT. LIBERIA	(672 km)

IN LIBERIA :

1°/	GBARNGA-GANTA	(63 km)
2°/	GANTA-SANNIQUELLIE	(37 km)
3°/	SANNIQUELLIE-YEKEPA.FRONT.GUINEA	(30 km)

IN MALI :

1°/	KAYES-FRONT. SENEGAL	(91 km)
2°/	BAMAKO-KOUREMALE-SIGUIRI- FRONT. GUINEA	(313km)
3°/	KOLOKANI-DIEMA-NIORO	(200 km)
4°/	NIORO DU SAHEL-FRONT. MAURITANIA	(62 km)
5°/	NARA-FRONT. MAURITANIA	
6°/	KAYES FRONT. MAURITANIA	
7°/	MOPTI-KORO-FRONT. BURKINA	(300 km)
8°/	GAO-ANSONGO-FRONT. NIGER	(235 km)

IN MAURITANIA :

1°/	ALOUN EL ATROUSS-FRONT. MALI	(117 km)
2°/	NEMA-FRONT.MALI	(150 km)
3°/	KIFFA-FRONT. MALI	(180 km)

IN NIGER :

1°/	NIAMEY-GOTTEYE-TERA-DORI-FRONT. BURKINA FASO	(200 km)
2°/	TILLABERY-GABOU-FRONT. MALI	(110 km)
3°/	FILLINGUE-TAHOUA	(259.3km)

IN NIGERIA :

1°/ LAGOS-KONTAGORA-KOKO-BIRNI (1151 km)
NKONI-FRONT. NIGER

IN SENEGAL :

1°/ TAMBACOUNDA-KEDOUGOU-SARAYA- (498 km)
FRONT. MALI

2°/ TAMBACOUNDA-DIANKE MAKMAN-
DALAFI-KAYES

3°/ TAMBACOUNDA-MEDINA-GOUNASSE- (452 km)
FRONT. GUINEA

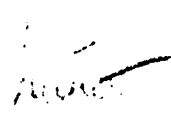
ARTICLE 3 :

The Executive Secretariat shall monitor the implementation of this Second Phase of ECOWAS Road Projects.

ARTICLE 4 :

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 States.

DONE AT BANJUL, THIS 6TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1988


HON. M'BEMBA JATTA
CHAIRMAN

FOR THE COUNCIL

ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BANJUL, 4 - 6 DECEMBER 1988

RESOLUTION C/RES.1/12/88 ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
PROGRAMME OF THE HIGHER COMMITTEE ON LAND TRANSPORT

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 Decision A/DEC.20/5/88 of the Authority of Heads
of State and Government dated 29 May 1988 on the Community
Transport Programme;

CONSCIOUS that an efficient transport system is a necessary
condition for the economic integration of the sub-region;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Transport, Communications and
Energy Commission meeting held in Lome 25 - 28 April, 1988;

HEREBY RESOLVES

1. That Member States

- a. shall show strict compliance with the principles
of the UNCTAD convention on transit trade for land-
locked countries referred to in the Preamble to the
Inter State Road Transit Convention (ISRT), which
stipulates as follows in Article 3:

"Transit transport shall not, within the territory of
the transit state, be subject to any customs duties,
import or export duties, or any special transit
taxes levied by the said state".

- b. shall set up a consultative Committee in each State to be made up of all parties concerned in road check measures in the implementation of the recommendation of the Higher Committee on Land Transport.
 - c. shall reduce the number of check points by simplifying checking procedure and reducing or grouping the number of check-point officials.
 - d. shall ratify the Inter-State Road Transport Convention (IST) and the Inter-State Road Transit Convention (ISRT) by all ECOWAS Member States.
 - e. shall enforce the regulations laid down in the Inter-State Road Transport Convention limiting Axle Load to the approved weight of 11.50 tons.
 - f. shall implement the ECOWAS International Waybill relating to the Inter-State Road Transport Convention.
2. The Executive Secretariat shall monitor the effective implementation of this Resolution.

DONE AT BANJUL, THIS 6TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1988


HON. M'BEMBA JATTA
CHAIRMAN

FOR THE COUNCIL

ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BANJUL, 4 - 6 DECEMBER, 1988

DIRECTIVE C/DIR.1/12/88 ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AIR
TRANSPORT PROGRAMME

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 Articles 40 and 44 of
the said Treaty on a Common Transport, Communications and
Air Transport Policy;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.20/5/80 of the Authority of
Heads of State and Government dated 29th May 1980 on the
Community Transport Programme;

HAVING EXAMINED the Report of the Transport, Communi-
cations and Energy Commission which met in Lome from
25 to 28 April 1988.

HEREBY DIRECTS

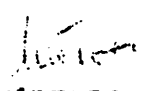
1. That the Executive Secretariat

(i) ensure the functioning of the working group set
up to examine the problems of cooperation in the Air
Transport.

(ii) organise if possible consultative meeting of Airline and Civil Aviation Experts in order to find ways and means for a better cooperation and coordination in the field of Air Transport.

2. This Directive shall take effect upon signature and shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community and the National Gazette of each Member State.

DONE AT BANJUL, THIS 6TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1988


HON. M'BEMBA JATTA
CHAIRMAN

FOR THE COUNCIL

ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

24TH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BANJUL 4 - 6 DECEMBER, 1988

DIRECTIVE C/DIR 2/12/88 ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
THE MARITIME TRANSPORT PROGRAMME

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 Articles 40 and 43 of the said Treaty, relating to the Common Policy on transport, communications, maritime, river and international transport matters;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.20/5/80 of the Authority of Heads of State and Government dated 29 May 1980 relating to the Transport Programme;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Transport, Communications and Energy Commission which met in Lome from 25 - 28 April 1988,

HEREBY DIRECTS

1. The Executive Secretariat
 - i) to convene a meeting of natural or legal persons interested in the establishment of an ECOWAS Coastal Shipping Line, with a view to determining with them the modalities for the establishment of such a venture;
 - ii) to pursue efforts for the effective establishment of free zones for the landlocked Member States in the coastal states of the Sub-Region;

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2. This Directive shall take effect upon signature and shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community and in the Official Gazette of each Member State.

DONE AT BANJUL ON 6TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1988



Hon. M'BEMBA JATTA

CHAIRMAN
FOR THE COUNCIL

ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

24TH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BANJUL, 4 - 6 DECEMBER, 1988

DIRECTIVE C/DIR.3/12/88 ON THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF THE LAND TRANSPORT PROGRAMME

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 Decision A/DEC.20/5/80 of the Authority of Heads of State and Government dated 29 May, 1980 on the Community Transport Programme;

- AWARE that an efficient transport system is a necessary condition for the economic integration of the Sub-région;

- ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Transport, Communications and Energy Commission which met in Lomé from 25 to 28 April, 1988.

HEREBY DIRECTS

1. The Executive Secretariat:

- a) to prepare a detailed inventory of all existing Training Centres in the field of Transport and Road Maintenance in the Sub-Région in order to carry out an in-depth study of the facilities they offer, for the establishment of a Higher Institute of Transport.
- b) to accelerate the setting up of a single guarantee system during the expiration of the transition period for the implementation of the Inter-State Road Transit Convention for goods.

c) that ways and means be found to promote the setting up of a Community Union Professional Association of Road Transport Owners.

d) to prepare a detailed inventory in collaboration with the competent authorities in Member States, of existing road taxes, with view to their harmonization at sub-regional level.

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

DONE AT BANJUL, THIS 6TH DAY OF DEC

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HON. M'BEMBA JATTA
CHAIRMAN

FOR THE COUNCIL

ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BANJUL, 4 - 6 DECEMBER, 1988

DIRECTIVE C/DIR. 4/12/88 OF THE COUNCIL ON
THE AMENDMENTS OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS
OF THE SPECIAL FUND FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF
TELECOMMUNICATIONS IN ECOWAS MEMBER STATES

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Article 6 of the ECOWAS Treaty establi-
shing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition
and functions ;

MINDFUL of Article 3 of the Rules and Regulations
of the Special Fund which authorises the guaranteeing of
loans and the granting of subsidies ;

CONSIDERING the present state of the resources of
the Special Fund ;

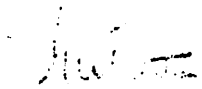
CONSCIOUS of the need to provide assistance to
Member States in the form of soft loans for the maintenance
of their telecommunications equipment ;

IN EXERCISE of its powers under Article 39 of the
Rules and Regulations of the Special Fund which empowers the
Council to amend the said Rules and Regulations upon the
recommendation of the Telecommunications Sub-Commission ;

DIRECTS THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUB-COMMISSION :

To propose amendments to the Rules and Regulations
of the Special Fund.

DONE AT BANJUL, THIS 6TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1988


HON. M'BEMBA JATTA
CHAIRMAN

FOR THE COUNCIL

ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES

TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BANJUL, 4 - 6 DECEMBER, 1988

VOTE OF THANKS

The ECOWAS Council of Ministers, holding its Twenty-fourth session in Banjul, Republic of the Gambia from 4 to 6 December, 1988 expresses its profound gratitude to His Excellency Alhaji Sir Dawda Kairaba JAWARA, President of the Republic, to the Government and People of the Gambia for the true African hospitality extended to delegates and for the facilities placed at their disposal which contributed to the success of their deliberations.

DONE AT BANJUL, 6TH DECEMBER, 1988

THE COUNCIL

OPENING ADDRESS BY THE HONOURABLE MBEMBA JATTA,
MINISTER OF ECONOMIC PLANNING AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT
AND CHAIRMAN OF THE ECOWAS COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AT THE
24TH SESSION OF THE ECOWAS COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

BANJUL, SUNDAY 4TH DECEMBER, 1988

Honourable Members of Council,
Distinguished Heads of Delegations,
Your Excellencies, Members of the Diplomatic Corps,
Esteemed Guests,
Ladies and Gentlemen

On behalf of His Excellency, Alhaji Sir Dawda Kairaba JAWARA,
President of the Republic of The Gambia and Chairman of
ECOWAS Authority of Heads of State and Government, the
Government and people of The Gambia, and on my behalf,
I extend to everyone of you a hearty welcome to The Gambia
and to this Twenty-fourth Session of the Council.

This being the first time The Gambia is presiding over a
Session of the Council of Ministers, permit me to express
the appreciation and gratitude of my country to Member States
for this honour and privilege to direct the affairs of
the Community. I can assure my Honourable Colleagues that,
while we shoulder this responsibility, my country is
determined to do all that its limited resources would permit
to advance the course of West African integration.

Honourable Ministers,

I started my stewardship with a familiarisation tour of the
Headquarters of our two Community institutions. In
September this year, I visited both Lome and Lagos in the
Company of the Executive Secretary. I met the officials of
the Fund and the Secretariat and held fruitful discussions
with them. During my visit I had the opportunity to pay

an inspection visit to the Construction sites of the new permanent Head Office of the ECOWAS Fund in Lome and the Headquarters of the Community at Abuja. In both places I observed that work was proceeding satisfactorily.

During my visit to Lome and Lagos, I had the honour to meet His Excellency General Gnassingbe EYADEMA, Founder Chairman of The Togolese People's Rally, President of The Republic of Togo and His Excellency General Ibrahim Badamasi BABANGIDA, President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria respectively. The very illuminating discussions that took place with these two great leaders confirm what we all know of the two Presidents' commitment and dedication to the Cause of our Community.

My tour of the two host countries of ECOWAS institutions also prepared the grounds for an official visit that His Excellency President JAWARA paid, in his capacity as The new Chairman of the Authority to Abuja and Lome. I accompanied the Chairman of the Authority on this mission which took place in early October and during which the affairs of the Community were discussed with Presidents Babangida and Eyadema.

Honourable Colleagues,

Since my assumption as the Chairman of our Council, I have made a very careful study of the cooperation programmes that we have adopted in order to build a strong Community. The list of activities embarked upon by ECOWAS is very impressive. What is not so impressive is what our efforts have achieved so far. However, considerable progress has been made in the telecommunications and infrastructural sector generally. Some progress has also been made in the immigration field. In most areas one can only describe what has happened as good initiatives which need follow-up.

There is no denying the fact that the West African economy has suffered many reverses during this particular decade and each country has been battling with economic stagnation or decline. The pressure on national governments to achieve economic survival on a day-to-day basis as it were, has not been helpful in our common pursuit of long term integration and development. However, since a secure and prosperous future for each Member State lies only in sub-regional cooperation, it is imperative that we see beyond the present debt and economic crisis. We should continue to support our Community and pay more attention to the needs of our ECOWAS institutions.

Honourable Ministers, Distinguished Delegates, this Twenty-fourth Session of the administrative and institutional problems of the Community and for the provision of financial support to the programmes to be executed by the two Community institutions in 1989. Our officials have examined the substantive issues on our Agenda during the preceding sessions of the various Commissions here in Banjul. I trust that we shall be able to arrive at the decisions demanded of us, which are needed to keep our Community functioning smoothly.

Honourable Members of Council would recall that in its 1988 Final Communique', the ECOWAS Authority announced its decision to create an Ad Hoc Ministerial Committee for the selection and evaluation of Statutory Appointees of the Community. It is my pleasure to inform Council that this Committee has been established and is made up of seven Member States. The Ministerial Ad Hoc Committee is scheduled to meet here in Banjul immediately after this Session of Council.

Dear Colleagues, once again, I welcome you all to The Gambia. The modest facilities that we possess are entirely at your disposal. Please feel at home.

I now have the honour to declare the Twenty-fourth Session of the ECOWAS Council of Ministers open..

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