REGULATION C/REG. 13/12/95 EXTENDING THE 1995 MINIMUM AGENDA FOR ACTION

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Revised Treaty of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions:

MINDFUL of Decision C/DEC. 6/12/95 of the Council of Ministers on the Minimum Agenda for action (1995) on Free Movement of Persons;

CONSIDERING that little was achieved in the area of implementation of the Agenda in 1995;

CONVINCED that the full application by Member Stales of texts relating to free movement of persons constitute an important cornerstone for the building of ECOWAS;

Also CONVINCED that the extension, for another one year, the 1995 Minimum Agenda on Free movements of persons would give ample time to Member States to effectively and fully implement all the provisions contained therein;

ENACTS

Article 1

- The Minimum Agenda for Action on Free Movement of Persons annexed to Decision C/DEC. 6/12/94 adopted by the Council of Ministers in Lome, on 17th December, 1994, which enjoined Member States to lift all remaining obstacles to free movement of persons on their territories in 1995 is hereby extended for the year 1996.
- Each Member State and the Executive Secretariat shall undertake, in 1996, all activities and implement all measures contained in the said minimum agenda for action.

Article 2

Each Member State shall forward to the Executive Secretariat, which shall transmit to the Council of Ministers, a report stating measures taken at the national level to implement this Regulation.

Article 3

The Executive Secretariat shall monitor the implementation of this Regulation.

Article 4

The Executive Secretariat shall present to the thirty-ninth session of the Council of Ministers, an updated version of a new Minimum Agenda on Free Movement of Persons and Goods.

Article 5

This Regulation shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community by the Executive Secretariat within thirty (30) days of its signature by the Chairman of the Council of Ministers.

It shall also be published within the same timeframe in the National Gazette of each Member State.

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 1st day of January, 1996.

DONE AT ABUJA, THIS 13TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1995

HON. KWAME PEPRAH CHAIRMAN, FOR COUNCIL OF MINISTERS