REGULATION C/REG.19/12/99 APPROVING THE UNITED NATIONS INTERNATIONAL DRUG CONTROL PROGRAMME (UNDCP) PRIORITY PROGRAMME OF ASSISTANCE TO MEMBER STATES OF ECOWAS FOR THE WAR AGAINST DRUGS IN WEST AFRICA (2000-2004)

## THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS;

**MINDFUL** of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Revised Treaty establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

**CONCERNED** by the magnitude of drug abuse and illicit trafficking within ECOWAS Member States;

**EAGER** to preserve the harmonious economic and social development of ECOWAS Member States through concerted and coordinated action against drugs;

**DETERMINED** to implement the Political Declaration and the resolutions adopted by the 20th Extraordinary Session of the United Nations General Assembly on the control of the global problem of drug held in New York on 10th June, 1998;

**TAKING INTO ACCOUNT** the Regional Priority Programme for Drug Control (1999-2003) adopted by the Council of Ministers in its 43rd Session held in October 1998 and submitted to the United Nations International Drug Control Programme (UNDCP) for funding;

ONTHE RECOMMENDATION of the third meeting of the Coordinators of the Inter-Ministerial Drug Control Committees in West Africa held in Dakar, 15th to 18th November, 1999;

## **ENACTS**

## Article 1

The attached United Nations Drug Control Programme (UNDCP) Priority Programme of Assistance to member States of ECOWAS for the war against drugs in West Africa (2000 - 2004), is hereby approved.

## Article 2

This Regulation shall be published by the Executive Secretariat in the Official Journal of the Community, within thirty (30) days from the day of signature by the Chairman of the Council. It shall also be published by each Member State in its National Gazette, within the same deadline as above.

DONE IN LOME, THIS 7TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1999

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CHAIRMAN
FOR COUNCIL