# REGULATION C/REG.6/12/99 ESTABLISHING MODALITIES FOR REPRESENTATION AT COUNCIL MEETINGS

# 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;

OBSERVING that Ministers have had to be represented at meetings of the Council of Ministers by persons below the rank of Minister;

NOTING that such persons representing their Ministers often have no mandate to do so;

ANXIOUS to avert the difficulties that this might cause during the implementation of Council decisions;

CONSIDERING the need to raise the level of representation by Member States at sessions of the Council;

DESIRING to define, to this end, modalities for representation of Council members at meetings of the institution;

ON RECOMMENDATION of the fourth meeting of the Ministers of Justice held in Abuja on 25th and 26th October, 1999;

## **ENACTS**

## Article 1

The Council of Ministers shall comprise the Minister in charge of ECOWAS Affairs and any other Minister of each Member State.

## Article 2

- A Council member may be represented at meetings of the institution by the Minister who assumes his ministerial functions in an acting capacity, or a person having equivalent rank;
- Any person other than the Minister who assumes the latter's functions as a Member of Council in an acting capacity shall be duly accredited.

## **Article 3**

Accreditation shall consist in the Head of Government or

the authority thus empowered:

- designating and authorising a Minister who assumes the functions of the Council member in an acting capacity, or any other person of the rank of Minister, to attend Council meetings;
- conferring the necessary powers on the Minister or the duly accredited person of the rank of Minister.

## Article 4

This regulation shall be published in the Official Journal of the Community within thirty (30) days upon signature by the Chairman of the Council of Ministers. It shall also be published in the National Gazette of each Member State within the same time frame.

# DONE AT LOMÉ, THIS 7TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1999

ABDOUL HAMID'S.B. TIDJANI-DOURODJAYE
CHAIRMAN
FOR COUNCIL

REGULATION C/REG.7/12/99 ADOPTING A MASTER PLAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF ENERGY PRODUCTION FACILITIES AND THE INTERCONNECTION OF THE ELECTRICITY GRIDS OF MEMBER STATES

## 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;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC 3/5/82 dated 29 May, 1982 establishing the ECOWAS energy policy;

CONSIDERING that, notwithstanding the sub-region's abundant energy potential, the energy sector in West Africa is among the least developed in the world;

NOTING that this energy potential is unevenly distributed among the Member States;

CONCERNED at the continuing energy crisis in the subregion;

DESIRING to take joint action to develop energy resources in the Member States in order to be better able to meet their development needs;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the first meeting of ECOWAS Ministers of Energy held in Accra on 5 November, 1999.

## **ENACTS**

## Article 1

The master plan for the development of energy production facilities and the interconnection of the electricity grids of Member States is hereby adopted as hereto attached.

## Article 2

This regulation shall be published by the Executive Secretariat in the Official Journal of the Community within thrity (30) days of its signature by the Chairman of the Council of Ministers. It shall also be published in the National Gazette of each Member State within the same timeframe.

DONE AT LOME, THIS 7th DAY OF DECEMBER, 1999.

ABDOUL HAMID S. B. DURODJAYE CHAIRMAN FOR COUNCIL

#### 2.4. Elements of the Master Plan

The Master Plan will be divided into 2 sections:

- development of power production plants;
- interconnection of electricity grids.

#### 2.5. Power Generation.

For hydropower generation, the following sites have been selected: Bui (Ghana), Fomi, Fello Song and Sambangalou (Guinea), Salthino (Guinea-Bissau) Bumbuna (Sierra Leone), Manantali (Mali). The total installed capacity of the sites is 1010MW. The development of the sites will require about 1.7 billion US dollars. The proposed implementation period is 1998-2001.

Concerning thermal power generation, the existing power plants (particularly in Nigeria) need to be rehabilitated and new thermal combined cycle plants installed. These will use natural gas available in Nigeria and Cote d'Ivoire. However, the development of other resources existing in the region will be taken into account.

The proposed implementation schedules are 1998-2001 for rehabilitation of existing plants and 2002-2015 for new gas power generation plants. The estimated total installed capacity is 8879MW at an estimated cost of 8.3 billion US dollars.