

**FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
BAMAKO, 9TH-12TH DECEMBER, 2000**

REGULATION C/REG 14/12/2000 APPROVING THE BUDGET OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT FOR THE 2001 FINANCIAL YEAR

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 the provisions of Article 69 of the Revised Treaty which relates to the budgets of the Community;

MINDFUL of the Financial Regulations and Manual of Accounting Procedures of the Institutions of ECOWAS amended by Regulation C/REG. 2/12/95;

HAVING CONSIDERED the budget proposed by the Twenty-fifth meeting of the Administration and finance Commission held in Bamako, from 2nd to 8th December, 2000;

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

The budget of the Executive Secretariat for the 2001 financial year, balanced in income and expenditure at the sum of Fourteen million, nine hundred and eleven thousand, five hundred (14, 911,500) Units of Accounts is hereby approved.

ARTICLE 2

An amount of Twelve million, seven hundred and one thousand, five hundred (12,701,500) Units of Accounts shall be derived from the annual contributions of Member States. A sum of Two million (2,000,000) shall be obtained from arrears paid in respect of past budgets, and another sum of Two hundred and ten thousand (210,000) Units of Accounts shall be derived from other sources.

ARTICLE 3

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

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000



**MR. BACARI KONE
CHAIRMAN
FOR THE COUNCIL**

**FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
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REGULATION C/REG 15/12/2000 RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF THE COMPENSATION BUDGET FOR LOSS OF REVENUE INCURRED BY ECOWAS MEMBER STATES IN 1999 AS A RESULT OF THE LIBERALISATION OF INTRA-ECOWAS TRADE

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.8/5/79 of the Authority of Heads of State and Government, dated 29 May 1979 relating to the consolidation of customs duties and taxes of equivalent effect, and non-tariff barriers;

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

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.1/5/83 of the Authority of Heads of State and Government relating to the adoption and implementation of a single trade liberalisation scheme for industrial products originated from Member States, and the amendment thereto embodied in Decision A/DEC.6/6/89, dated 30th June, 1989;

MINDFUL of the Decisions and Regulations listing enterprises and products approved to benefit under the ECOWAS trade liberalisation scheme;

CONSIDERING the application for compensation for loss of revenue received from Member States having imported approved industrial products;

CONSIDERING the report of the forty-first meeting of the Trade, Customs, Immigration, Money and Payments Commission held in Bamako from 27th to 30th November 2000;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the twenty-fifth meeting of the Administration and Finance Commission held in Bamako from 2nd to 3rd December, 2000.

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

1. The following budget estimates in the amount of One hundred and seventy million, three hundred and forty-two thousand, one hundred Francs CFA (FCFA 170, 342, 100) for compensation of loss of revenue suffered as a result of the liberalisation of intra-ECOWAS trade are hereby approved.

2. The table annexed hereto indicates the share of contributions owed to the compensation budget by each exporting Member State.

COMPENSATION BUDGET
(In CFA Francs)

ETATS MEMBRE/ MEMBER STATE	MONTANT DES CONTRIBUTIONS/ AMOUNT OF CONTRIBUTIONS
GHANA	59,531,323
NIGERIA	24,114,589
TOGO	114,896,390
TOTAL	170,342,100

ARTICLE 2

The ECOWAS Executive Secretariat and the ECOWAS Fund shall be responsible for the payment to the Member State that has suffered the loss of revenue in the amounts recorded in the compensation budgets for 1999.

ARTICLE 3

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REGULATION C/REG. 16/12/00 ON THE ADOPTION OF EDUCATION GRANT FOR STAFF OF THE INSTITUTIONS OF THE COMMUNITY

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 Article 26 of the ECOWAS Staff Regulation adopted by the Forty-fifth Session of the Council of Ministers held in Lome from 5th to 7th December 1999 amended by Regulation C/REG.4/12/99.

CONSIDERING that the professional staff of the ECOWAS Institutions had, by virtue of the Staff Regulations been receiving an education grant of one thousand (1000) United States Dollars;

CONSIDERING also that Decision C/DEC. 1/11/89 of the Council of Ministers authorised a grant of 100 UA per annum for each dependent child of staff of G and M categories;

CONSIDERING also that the rates mentioned above are grossly insufficient and unrealistic considering the fact of inflation, constant increase in school fees and inability of staff members to adequately cope financially;

DESIRING to review upwards the education grant in order to ameliorate the financial difficulties of staff and provide children of the Community the highest standard of education;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Twenty-fifth Meeting of the Administration and Finance Commission held in Bamako from 2nd to 3rd December 2000.

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

There shall be a maximum education grant of \$2000 (two thousand United States Dollars) and \$400 (four hundred United States Dollars) for each dependent child of internationally recruited staff and locally recruited staff respectively.

ARTICLE 2

The education grant shall be paid for each dependent child up to a maximum of 4 (four) children. The child must be in full time attendance at a school (kindergarten, secondary school), university or similar educational institution.

ARTICLE 3

Reimbursement to staff shall be made upon presentation of receipts of payments for tuition fees and related charges. The phrase, "related charges" in this context, means other expenses related to the child's education, such as books, stationery, uniform, accommodation (boarding) fees.

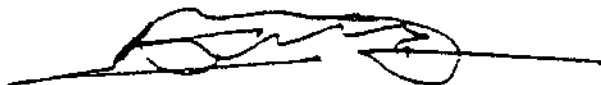
ARTICLE 4

The Executive Secretariat shall present a memorandum to the year 2002 budgetary session of the Administration and Finance Commission for its review of the amount of grant provided in this Regulation.

ARTICLE 5

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**REGULATION C/REG. 17/12/00 RELATING TO THE
PARTICIPATION OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT
IN THE NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICE CORPS (NYSC)
SCHEME OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA**

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

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

MINDFUL of Article 61 of the Treaty which provides for the mobilisation and involvement of Community citizens in the activities of the Community as well as their professional training and employment;

CONSIDERING that the National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) Scheme was introduced by the Federal Government of Nigeria through legislative Act No. 24 dated 22nd May, 1973, under which young Nigerian graduates of Universities and similar tertiary Institutions are required to undertake a one-year national service;

CONSIDERING also that the Executive Secretariat had to participate in the scheme when eligible youths were posted to it by the National Youth Service Corps Secretariat, and their services had not only proved to be invaluable to staff members but had also afforded the youths the opportunity to learn about the Community, its activities and programmes;

DESIRING to approve the participation of the Executive Secretariat in the scheme and to provide corps members serving in the Secretariat token allowances for their services in accordance with the general practice in similar Organisations;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Twenty-fifth meeting of the Administration and Finance Commission held in Bamako, from 2nd to 8th December 2000;

ENACTS**ARTICLE 1**

1. The Executive Secretariat is hereby authorised to participate in the National Youth Service Corps Scheme of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.
2. The Secretariat shall adopt strategies for recruiting the best candidates to serve in the Secretariat. The Secretariat shall also submit proposals for the extension of the programme to graduate youths of other Member States
3. The number of Youth Corps members to serve in the Secretariat in any given year shall be determined by the budgetary session of the Administration and Finance Commission, preceding the year of service.

ARTICLE 2

Each serving corps member shall be paid a monthly allowance of ten thousand naira (N10,000) to cover his/her accommodation and transportation expenses.

ARTICLE 3

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**RECOMMENDATION C/REC. 1/12/2000 ON THE GRANTING OF
OBSERVER STATUS TO THE AFRICAN BUSINESS ROUND
TABLE**

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 Article 61 of the Revised Treaty by which Member States undertake to mobilise the various sections of the population in order to ensure their involvement and effective participation in the activities of the Community;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC 9/8/94 of the Authority establishing Regulations for the grant to Non-Governmental Organisations, (NGOs) of observer status within the Institutions of the Community;

AWARE of the role that the African Business Round Table is playing to accelerate the West African integration process;

CONSIDERING the report of the forty-first meeting of the Trade, Customs, Immigration, Money and Payments Commission, held in Bamako from 27th to 30th November, 2000;

RECOMMENDS to the Authority of Heads of State and Governments to adopt the attached draft Decision granting the Status of Observer to the African Business Round Table;

DONE AT BAMAKO, THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000



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CHAIRMAN
FOR THE COUNCIL

RECOMMENDS to the Authority of Heads of State and Government to adopt the attached draft Decision on the grant of Observer Status to the World Trade Centres Association;

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RECOMMENDATION C/REC.2/12/2000 ON THE GRANT OF OBSERVER STATUS TO THE WORLD TRADE CENTRES ASSOCIATION

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;

CONSIDERING the need to encourage non-partisan organisations that are determined to promote increased trade in the sub-region;

AWARE of the role that the World Trade Centres Association is playing in the integration process in West Africa;

CONSIDERING the report of the forty-first meeting of the Trade, Customs, Immigration, Money and Payments Commission, held in Bamako from 27th to 30th November, 2000;