#### **ARTICLE 2**

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

# DONE AT OUAGADOUGOU, THIS 19TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2006

HON. AÏCHATOU MINDAOUDOU, CHAIRPERSON, FOR THE COUNCIL

REGULATION C/REG. 12/12/06 FORMALLY ESTABLISHING A COMMUNITY LEVY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AT THE ECOWAS COMMISSION

# THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the ECOWAS Treaty as amended in June 2006 establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions:

MINDFUL of Article 72 of the ECOWAS Treaty introducing a Community Levy to generate revenue for financing the activities of the Community;

MINDFUL of Protocol A/P1/7/96 on the conditions governing the application of the Community Levy;

MINDFUL of Regulation C/Reg. 1/9/03 as amended by C/Reg.9/07/04 adopting measures to facilitate and accelerate effective implementation of the Community Levy; ACKNOWLEDGING THAT compliance with the Community Levy requirements by Member States has improved considerably;

DESIRING however to improve on the existing mechanism for the collection and disbursement of the proceeds of the Levy;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Thirty-Sixth Meeting of the Administration and Finance Committee which was held in Abuja, from 22 - 27 November 2007 and in Ouagadougou on 15 and 16 December 2006;

### **ENACTS**

#### **ARTICLE 1**

A Community Levy Management Committee is hereby formally established at the ECOWAS Commission.

### ARTICLE 2

Members of the Community Levy Management Committee are as follows:

- 1. The Vice President Chairman
- 2. The Financial Controller Member
- 3. The Commissioner for Administration & Finance *Member*
- The Commissioner for Trade & Customs, Industry, mines, free movement of persons & goods - Member
- 5. Heads of ECOWAS Institutions Members

# **ARTICLE 3**

The functions of the Committee shall include:

- taking measures to ensure full implementation of the provisions of the Protocol on the Conditions for the Application of the Community levy;
- recommending political measures to address the difficulties encountered by Member States in the application of the Community levy;
- allocating the proceeds of the Community levy;
- making proposals for the allocation of sectoral and structural funds;
- taking necessary performance-enhancing measures;

- exploring avenues for the funding of the Community and
- preparing the annual report.

### **ARTICLE 4**

- A sub-committee shall support the Community Levy Management Committee in its work and shall be composed of one representative each from the departments of Audit, Trade and Customs and Finance;
- The sub-committee referred to in paragraph I shall carry out monitoring missions in Member States in collaboration with the ECOWAS National Units and the National Committees for the Management of the Community Levy, based on terms of reference to be defined by the Community Levy Management Committee;
- The Sub-committee shall prepare an annual report on behalf of the Community Levy Management Committee which will endorse it for submission to the Council of Ministers through the Administration and Finance Committee.

### **ARTICLE 5**

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

DONE AT OUAGADOUGOU, THIS 19TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2006

HON. AÏCHATOU MINDAOUDOU, CHAIRPERSON,

FOR THE COUNCIL.

REGULATION C/REG.13/12/06 ALLOCATING A LUMP SUM GRANT FOR LOCAL SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER OF THE COMMUNITY PARLIAMENT IN THE HOME STATE

# THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

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

MINDFUL of Supplementary Protocol A/SP1/06/06 amending the ECOWAS Treaty;

MINDFUL of Supplementary Protocol A/SP3/06/06 amending Protocol A/P2/8/94 relating to the Community Parliament;

RECALLING especially Article 15 of Protocol A/P2/8/94 which provides for a non-residency status for the Speaker at the Headquarters of the Community parliament;

AWARE that the Speaker of the Parliament is responsible for giving the necessary orientations, providing leadership and guaranteeing the efficient cenduct of the affairs of the Parliament, even while being outside the headquarters of the Community Parliament:

ASLO AWARE that to achieve the above mentioned activities, the Speaker will operate mostly from this home State;

DESIRING therefore, to grant the Speaker, resources for local support services to maintain an office;

UPON THE RECOMMENDATION of the thirty-sixth session of the Administration and Finance Commission, held in Abuja from 22 to 27 November 2006.

### **ENACTS**

## **ARTICLE 1**

A monthly lump sum allowance of two thousand US dellars (US\$2000) is hereby granted for local support services for the office of the Speaker of the Community Parliament in his home State.

### **ARTICLE 2**

The monthly lump sum allowance shall be paid to the Speaker of the Parliament during his tenure for the purpose indicated in Article 1 of this Regulation.

## **ARTICLE 3**

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

DONE AT OUAGADOUGOU, THIS 19TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2006

HON. AÏCHATOU MINDAOUDOU, CHAIRPERSON, FOR THE COUNCIL.

REGULATION C/REG.14/12/06 GRANTING A RESPONSIBILITY ALLOWANCE TO THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE ECOWAS COMMISSION

# THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of articles 10, 11, and 12 of the ECOWAS Treaty as amended in June 2006 establishing their composition and functions,

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC. 16/01/06 transforming the Executive Secretariat into a Commission and establishing the positions of the President, the Vice President and Seven (7) other Commissioners for the Commission.

MINDFUL of the Supplementary Protocol A/SP.1/06/06 Amending the Revised ECOWAS Treaty which re-affirms the creation of the above stated statutory positions within the Commission.

CONSIDERING the responsibilities attached to the position of Vice President.

HAVING noted the special benefits provided for Statutory Appointees under Article 28(b) of the ECOWAS Staff Regulations of 2005.

DESIRING to provide the Vice President with additional benefits in order to ensure that he/she discharges the responsibilities allotted to the position efficiently

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Thirty-Sixth meeting of the Administration and Finance Commission held in Abuja from 22 - 27 November 2006 and in Ouagadougou from the 15 - 16 December 2006.

### **ENACTS**

#### ARTICLE 1

The Vice President of the ECOWAS Commission is hereby granted an additional benefit in the form of a responsibility allowance to facilitate a more efficient discharge of the responsibilities attached to the position.

#### **ARTICLE 2**

5% of the basic salary of the Vice President shall be paid to him/her as responsibility allowance.

#### ARTICLE 3

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

DONE AT OUAGADOUGOU, THIS 19TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2006

HON. AÏCHATOU MINDAOUDOU,

CHAIRPERSON, FOR THE COUNCIL.