

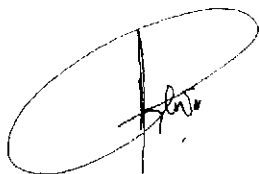
**ARTICLE 4**

The attached organisation chart indicating the structure for Financial Control and the Internal Audit is hereby adopted.

**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.27/12/06 RELATING TO THE  
RE-ORGANISATION OF THE OFFICE OF THE  
FINANCIAL CONTROLLER OF THE COMMUNITY  
INSTITUTIONS**

**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 the Decision A/DEC.4/12/2001 reinstating the post of the Financial Controller of the Community;

MINDFUL of the provisions of the Financial Regulations and Manual of Accounting Procedures of the Institutions of the Community of 1989 as amended, establishing the functions of the Financial Controller;

MINDFUL of the need to assist ECOWAS Institutions improve on budget management, funds control and institutional management thereby promoting transparency, accountability and probity in the overall management of the resources of the Community;

ALSO CONSIDERING the need to separate the control functions from those of Internal Audit to ensure the independence and objectivity of Internal Auditors;

DESIRING therefore to achieve the above stated objectives by re-organising this office and through such re-organisation, also strengthen the performance of their duty of the Financial Controller and ensure compliance of internal controls with ECOWAS Protocols, Supplementary Acts, Regulations, Decisions and Directives of the ECOWAS Authority of Heads of State and Government and the Council of Ministers;

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Sixth Meeting of the Audit Committee which was held in Dakar from 16-17 October 2006;

**ENACTS****ARTICLE 1**

The Financial Controller shall be responsible for all the financial control functions within Community Institutions.

**ARTICLE 2**

The Financial controller shall continue to report to the Council of Ministers and also avail the Administration and Finance Commission with information relating to the budget and financial status of the Community.

**ARTICLE 3**

The office of the Financial Controller shall be located at the Commission. The Financial Controller shall manage the budget of his/her office.

**ARTICLE 4**

The President of the Commission shall appoint staff of the office of the Financial Controller in

accordance with the ECOWAS Staff Regulations, and this staff shall subsequently be appropriately deployed by the Financial Controller. The Staff shall report directly to the Financial Controller.

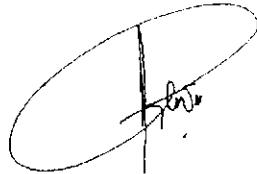
#### ARTICLE 5

The attached organisation chart indicating the structure for the Offices of the Financial Controller and the Internal Auditor is hereby adopted.

#### ARTICLE 6

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## **REGULATION REG.28/12/06 ESTABLISHING NATIONAL MONITORING STRUCTURES ON FREE MOVEMENT OF PERSONS ON THE HIGHWAYS AND AT THE BORDERS WITH ECOWAS REGION**

### **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 59 of the Treaty committing Member States to take measures to ensure that community citizens fully enjoy their rights in the area of free movement within ECOWAS;

MINDFUL of Protocol A/P1/5/79 of 29 May 1979 on free movement of persons, right to residence and establishment;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.2/7/85 of 6 July 1985 establishing an ECOWAS Travel Certificate

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC. 1/5/2000 adopting the ECOWAS Passport

MINDFUL of the Final Communiqué of the twenty-seventh session of the Authority of Heads of State and Government deploring the existence of numerous roadblocks which impede free movement of persons, the right of residence and establishment;

NOTING that harassments still exist on the highways and at the borders, in spite of the 30 years of awareness raising campaigns directed at border security agents and the citizenry;

CONSIDERING that fact-finding missions undertaken along the highways and at the borders of Member States have confirmed that the protocols on free movement of persons are not effectively implemented;

WISHING to address the concerns of Community citizens and to promote trade and investments in the sub-region;

DESIROUS therefore of creating monitoring structures on free movement of persons on the highways and at the borders of crucial importance in ECOWAS, as well as the coordination bureau with a view to attaining the objective of free movement of persons;