



**SIXTY-SIXTH ORDINARY SESSION
OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS**

Abuja, 17 - 19 August 2011

**REGULATION C/REG.4/08/11 ON THE VALIDATION OF THE
STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND
TRANSFORMATION OF LIVESTOCK FARMING IN WEST AFRICA**

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the ECOWAS Treaty as amended, relating to the establishment of the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Article 25 of the said ECOWAS Treaty on Agricultural Development and Food Security;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.11/01/05 adopting the ECOWAS Agricultural Policy;

MINDFUL of Decision C/DEC.1/5/81 on the components of the fight against hunger, multiplication of certain varieties of plant and animal species, funding of research programs and project for agricultural production, storage and treatment of agricultural products;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC/5/10/98 of the Authority of the Heads of States and Government of transhumance within the ECOWAS region;

MINDFUL of the Supplementary Act A/SA/12/01/07 on establishment of a sub-regional mechanism of coordination of the prevention and Response against Avian Influenza in West Africa;

MINDFUL of Directive C/DIR.1/11/10 on the ECOWAS Veterinary Pharmacy;

MINDFUL of regulation C/REG.21/11/10 on harmonizing the structure and the operating rules in security and protection of plants, animals and fruits;

MINDFUL of Regulation C/REG. 22/11/10 on the Procedure for the management of veterinary medicine;

MINDFUL of Regulation C/REG.23/11/10 on the establishment, composition and modalities of operation of the Veterinary Regional Committee within ECOWAS;

MINDFUL of the Maputo declaration which obliges African countries to allocate 10% of their budgets to fund agricultural matters;

CONSIDERING that livestock constitutes a major component of ECOWAP for which veterinary structures and organs have been established;

CONVINCED by the need of adopting a regional plan of action for the implementation and monitoring of programmes and activities relating to the development of livestock;

ON RECOMMENDATION of the meeting of ECOWAS Agriculture and Livestock Ministers which was held on 10 March 2011 at Bamako, Republic of Mali;

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ARTICLE 1

The Strategic Action plan for the Development and Transformation of Livestock Farming in West Africa attached to the Regulation is hereby adopted.

ARTICLE 2

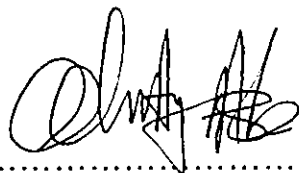
1. The ECOWAS Commission shall take necessary measures for the implementation of the Strategic Action Plan for the Development and Transformation of Livestock Farming in West Africa.

2. The President of the Commission through the Commissioner for Agriculture, Environment and Water Resources shall monitor the implementation of the Strategic Plan of Action.

ARTICLE 3

This Regulation shall be published by the ECOWAS Commission 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 Official Journal within the same time frame after due notification by the Commission.

DONE AT ABUJA, THIS 19TH DAY OF AUGUST 2011



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H.E. OLUGBENGA ASHIRU

CHAIRMAN

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