

DAKAR, 26-28 JANUARY, 2003

**REGULATION C/REG.3/01/03
RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION
ON THE REGULATIONS ON
TRANSUMANCE BETWEEN THE
ECOWAS MEMBER STATES.**

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Article 10,11 and 12 of the Treaty of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) establishing the Authority of Heads of State and Government and defining its composition and functions.

MINDFUL of Article.25 of the Treaty on cooperation between the Member States as a means for achieving agricultural development and food security.

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.5/10/98 on the regulation of transhumance between the ECOWAS Member States.

CONVINCED that the sustained development of livestock production is an integral part of any food security or poverty reduction policy.

CONSIDERING that given the resources presently available to the ECOWAS Member States, traditional pastoral farming systems such as transhumance, subsist and contribute to socio-economic development and the growth of livestock production.

AWARE that the random movement of livestock and transhumance can trigger numerous health, social, legal, environmental, economic and political problems.

DESIROUS of improving the conditions for livestock production in the Member States, and, for the purpose, to induce a gradual evolution of the traditional farming systems towards intensive breeding methods, and to introduce transhumance regulations in the ECOWAS sub-region.

meeting of ECOWAS ministers responsible for livestock production, held in Ouagadougou, on 9 and 10 October 2002.

The measures hereunder shall be taken by all the States of the ECOWAS sub-region

ARTICLE 1:

AT THE LEVEL OF THE MEMBER STATES

- a) Organisation of information, communication, enlightenment, training and education campaigns and programmes directed at transhumant herdsmen and the different actors involved in transhumance in the departure, transit and host zone of transhumant herds;
- b) Establishment and/or re-energising of pastoral organizations at the national level, and especially, of breeders' associations, in order to encourage them to contribute to the improvement management of transhumance, and the prevention and management of transhumance related conflicts.
- c) Establishment of national committees, networks or other bodies, to manage, monitor and appraise transhumance.
- d) Strict compliance, by the livestock breeding States, transhumant, farmers and other sections of the rural society:
 - With the decision of the Heads of State and Government regulating transhumance between the Member States, and with the provisions of the ECOWAS Protocols, Conventions and Decisions relating thereto, and particularly, to those on the free movement of persons, goods and services, and to the mechanism for conflict prevention, management and resolution, peace-keeping and security.

- With the laws and regulations in force in the Member States, and to bilateral and multilateral commitment, especially those concerning the conservation and sustained management of natural resources and the environment.
- With the abrogation by Benin, of the measure suspending transhumance.

ARTICLE 2: AT THE LEVEL OF THE ECOWAS EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT

- a. Technical and financial support shall be given by ECOWAS, which shall also source funds from donors for the following:
 - i. To finance information, training and enlightenment programmes for transhumant herdsmen and the local communities affected by cross-border transhumance.
 - ii. To print and circulate the ECOWAS international transhumance certificate.
 - iii. To organize annual meetings to appraise and programme transhumance between neighboring States, and biennial meetings on transhumance in the West African sub-region, jointly sponsored by ECOWAS, UEMOA, CILSS and other organisations with stakes in transhumance.
 - iv. To conduct up-date studies on transhumance routes and itineraries, in collaboration with UEMOA, CILSS and other organizations with stakes in transhumance.
 - v. To formulate and implement sub-regional programmes for the development of grazing lands, or the creation of cross-border infrastructures to facilitate transhumance.
 - vi. To set up pilot cross-border projects with a view to developing new joint management methods

for the transhumance routes and host zones.

- vii. To conduct a study projecting the future of livestock production, particularly in West and central Africa.
- b. Other intergovernmental organizations in West and Central Africa shall be officially briefed in order to coordinate initiative and interventions relating to transhumance in West and Central Africa.
- c. OAU/IBAR shall be officially briefed in order to ensure the inclusion of transhumance in the Pan African Programme for the Control of Epizootic Diseases (PACE) in view of the serious implications of animal movements for animal health.
- d. A high-level emergency meeting of the countries concerned shall be convened, with a view to finding a lasting solution to the presence of alien livestock entering the territory of the host country illegally.

ARTICLE 3: AT THE LEVEL OF THE MEMBER STATES AND ECOWAS

- i. Coverage of all the transhumance routes within sub-region.
- ii. Creation of an information and communications network for transhumance and the monitoring of animal diseases.
- iii. Involvement of herdsmen, associations of professionals and other stakeholders in the implementation of the decision of the Heads of States.
- iv. Formulation and implementation, within each Member State, of a pastoral development programme involving the preparation of maps of grazing areas, transhumance zone and watering points.

- vi. Creation of a regional transhumance observatory to monitor compliance with ECOWAS measures.
- vii. Formulation of a regional pastoral resources strategy within the framework of the sub-regional action plan (SRAP) for desertification control adopted by the Authority of Heads of State and Government, and of initiatives taken within the West African sector of the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NePAD)
- viii. Inclusion of pastoral and agro-economic programmes in the curriculums of West African training institutions specializing in livestock production.
- ix. Promotion of dialogue and collaboration between Member States on transhumance related issues.
- x. Dissemination of information on animal health among the veterinary services of the Member States.

ARTICLE 4: ENTRY INTO FORCE

This regulation 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 in the National Gazette of each Member State within the same time-frame.

DONE AT DAKAR, THIS 28 DAY OF JANUARY 2003



HON. CHEIKH TIDIANE GADIO
CHAIRMAN
FOR COUNCIL

DAKAR, 26-28 JANUARY, 2003

REGULATION C/REG.4/01/03 RELATING TO THE RENEWAL OF LEASE AGREEMENTS ON THE RESIDENCE OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT STAFF IN ABUJA.

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

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

CONSIDERING the need for the construction of vital additional works for the Executive Secretariat Staff quarters at Katampe.

CONSIDERING that the estimated completion period for the provision by the Nigerian Government of access roads and other infrastructural facilities at the Katampe Housing Estate will extend up to the year 2004.

NOTING that the leases on most of the residence rented for the staff of the Executive Secretariat in 2000 will expire by October 2002.

CONSIDERING the high demand for residential accommodation in Abuja resulting in an astronomical increase in the real Estate rents in the Abuja metropolis.

AWARE of the need to renew the lease Agreements on the staff residences in Abuja and make adequate funds available to the Executive Secretariat for the purpose.

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Twenty-Eighth Meeting of the Administration and Finance Commission held in Abuja from 18 to 25 November 2002.

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

The sum of N281, 100,000 (Two Hundred and Eighty-one Million, one hundred thousand naira) (UA 1,079,403.05) is hereby approved for the Executive Secretariat of ECOWAS to cover renewal and contracting of new leases for 2003.

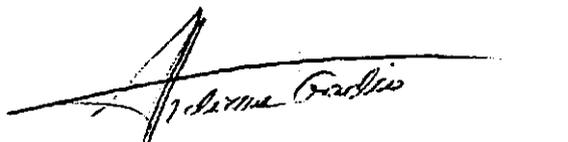
ARTICLE 2

The Executive Secretariat shall prepare estimates of the overall financial implications of leases to cover all the posts approved by the sixth extraordinary session of the Council of Ministers. Such estimates shall be submitted to the Administration and Finance commission for consideration.

ARTICLE 3

This regulation shall be published by His 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 in the National Gazette of each Member State within the same time-frame.

**DONE AT DAKAR, THIS 28TH DAY OF
JANUARY, 2003**



HON. CHEIKH TIDIANE GADIO
CHAIRMAN
FOR COUNCIL

**FORTY-NINTH SESSION OF THE
COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
DAKAR, 26-28 JANUARY, 2003**

**REGULATION C/REG.5/01/03
APPROVING THE AUDITED
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT FOR THE
2001 FINANCIAL YEAR.**

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

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

MINDFUL of Article 75 of the Treaty relating to the appointment of External Auditor for the Institutions of the Community.

MINDFUL of the financial regulations and Manual of Accounting Procedure of the Institutions of ECOWAS amended by Regulation C/REG.2/12/95.

MINDFUL of the Authority Decision A/DEC.6/12/99 dated 10th December 1999 appointing the firm of Coopers & Lybrand Dieye as External Auditors of the Community.

MINDFUL of Authority Decision C/AHSG/DEC.1/2/2000 confirming the appointment of Coopers & Lybrand and Dieye as external auditors of the Institutions of the Community.

CONSIDERING the Contract Agreement between ECOWAS and Coopers Lybrand and Dieye defining the conditions of engagement of the External Auditors dated 26 February 2000.

HAVING EXAMINED the report of the firm of Coopers & Lybrand Dieye on the financial statements of the Executive Secretariat for the 2001 Financial Year.

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the twenty eighth meeting of the Administration and finance commission held in Abuja from 18 to 25 November 2002.

ARTICLE 1

The Audited financial Statements of the executive Secretariat attached hereto for the 2001 financial year is hereby approved.

ARTICLE 2

This regulation 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 in the National Gazette of each Member State within the same time-frame.

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FORTY-NINTH SESSION OF THE
COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
DAKAR, 26-28 JANUARY, 2003**

**REGULATION C/REG.6/01/03
APPROVING THE BUDGET OF THE
WEST AFRICAN HEALTH
ORGANISATION FOR THE 2003
FINANCIAL YEAR.**

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

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

MINDFUL of Protocols A/P2/7/87 on the establishment of the West African Health Organisation.

MINDFUL of the provisions of Article 69 of the Treaty which relate to the budget 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 CONSIDERING the budget of the west African Health Organisation

Commission held in Abuja, from 18 to 25 November 2002.

ENACTS

ARTICLE 1

The budget of the west African Health Organisation for the 2003 Financial Year, balanced in income and expenditure at the sum of Four Million, nine hundred and sixty seven thousand, seven hundred and fourteen Units of Account (4,967,714 UA) is hereby approved.

ARTICLE 2

An amount of One Million Units of Accounts (UA 1,000,000) shall be derived from the annual contributions of Member States.

ARTICLE 3

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