



**FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY SESSION OF THE AUTHORITY OF
HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT**

Yamoussoukro, 27 – 28 February 2013

**DECISION A/DEC.6/02/13 ENDORSING THE REQUEST OF THE
REPUBLIC OF GHANA TO NOMINATE A CANDIDATE FOR THE POST
OF EXECUTIVE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE AFRICAN,
CARIBBEAN AND PACIFIC GROUP OF STATES**

THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT;

MINDFUL of Articles 7, 8 and 9 of the ECOWAS Treaty, as amended, establishing the Authority of Heads of State and Government and defining its composition and functions;

CONSIDERING that the African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States (ACP) is a group of countries in Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific that was created by the Georgetown Agreement in 1975 whose main objectives are sustainable development and poverty reduction within its Member States as well as greater integration into the global economy;

CONSIDERING that the ACP is headed by an Executive Secretary-General who is responsible for implementing the Groups international policy as well as directing and co-coordinating its cooperation policy;

AWARE that under the ACP Group of States Convention of rotating the post of Secretary General among its six (6) regions, Africa's turn was in 2010;



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AKNOWLEDGING that in view of the position allocated to Africa, Dr. Ibn CHAMBAS a West African was appointed the Executive Secretary General of ACP Group of States for a five (5) year term from March 2010 to February 2015;

CONSIDERING that Dr. Ibn CHAMBAS will take up a new appointment on 2nd March 2013 leaving an unexpired term of nearly two (2) years;

DESIROUS of supporting the candidature from a West African State.

DECIDES

Article 1:

ECOWAS ENDORSES THE REQUEST OF THE REPUBLIC OF GHANA to nominate a candidate for the position of the Secretary General of ACP Group of States to complete the tenure of Dr. Ibn CHAMBAS.

Article 2:

This Decision shall be published by the Commission in the Official Journal of the Community within thirty (30) days of its signature by the Chairman of the Authority. It shall also be published by each Member State in its Official Gazette within thirty (30) days after its notification by the Commission.

DONE AT YAMOOUSSOUKRO, THIS 28TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2013

H.E. ALASSANE OUATTARA

FOR THE AUTHORITY

THE CHAIRMAN

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