



## SIXTY-NINTH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

Abidjan, 30 November – 2 December 2012

### REGULATION C/REG.18/12/12 RELATING TO THE INCREASE IN SUPPORT FUNDING FOR THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT OF ECOWAS

#### THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

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

**MINDFUL** of Article 72 of the Treaty establishing the Community Levy for funding Community activities;

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

**MINDFUL** of Decision A/DEC.12/8/97 relating to the frequency and venue of ECOWAS meetings;

**MINDFUL** of Decision A/DEC.28/01/06 which had initially fixed the amount for supporting the activities of the Chairman of ECOWAS;

**MINDFUL** of Supplementary Act A/SA1/06/07 amending the above stated Decision A/DEC.28/01/06 in order to peg the support funding at 0.5% of the Community Levy payment of the Country chairing the Community.

**RECOGNISING** that significant resources are required by the Chairman of Authority, who in his representative leadership role is routinely and extensively involved in demarche to engage and garner support for the implementation of regional integration programmes and for the resolution of security and governance challenges that bedevil the region;

**DESIROUS** therefore to increase the current level of funding earmarked for supporting the activities of the Chairman of the Authority;

**ON THE RECOMMENDATION** of the twelfth Meeting of the Administration and Finance Committee held in Abuja from 14<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> November 2012.

## **ENACTS**

### **Article 1**

A budget ceiling in the sum of **One million two hundred thousand Units of Accounts (1,200,000UA)** is hereby established as a credit line to support ECOWAS activities undertaken by the Chairman of the ECOWAS Authority of Heads of State and Government.


### **Article 2**

Disbursement of monies from the credit line referred to in Article 1 of this Regulation shall be conditional on the presentation of justification for expenditures made.

### **Article 3**

Member States shall endeavour to implement their obligations under the Community Levy Protocols to facilitate effective implementation of the provisions of Article 1 of this Regulation.

### **Article 4**

1. 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.

2. It shall also be published by each Member State in its National Gazette within the same timeframe after notification by the Commission.

**DONE AT ABIDJAN, THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 2012**

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**H.E. CHARLES KOFFI DIBY**

CHAIRMAN

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