SIXTY-NINTH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

Abidjan, 30 November – 02 December 2012

RECOMMENDATION C/REG.1/12/12 RELATING TO THE APPLICATION OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE FOR FULL MEMBERSHIP WITHIN THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL ACTION-GROUP AGAINST MONEY LAUNDERING IN WEST AFRICA (GIABA)

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 58 of the said Treaty on Regional Security;

MINDFUL of the Protocol relating to the Mechanism, on Conflict Prevention, Management, Resolution, Peace-Keeping and Security of 1999 which amongst other vital issues, underscores the need for a fight against transnational crime such as Money Laundering;

MINDFUL of Article 7 of the Treaty which gives the Authority the responsibility for the general direction and control of the Community and for the determination of its general policy;

MINDFUL of Decision A/DEC.9/12/99 of the Authority establishing the Inter Governmental Action Group Against Money Laundering in West Africa (GIABA);

RECALLING Decision A/DEC.6/12/00 adopting the Statutes of GIABA.
RECOMMENDS to the Authority of Heads of State and Government to adopt the attached Decision A/DEC.../01/13 Granting to the Republic of Sao Tome and Principe full membership to GIABA.

DONE AT ABIDJAN, THIS 2ND DAY OF DECEMBER 2012

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H.E. CHARLES KOFFI DIBY

CHAIRMAN

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