

DECISION A/DEC. 5/7/96 GRANTING THE WEST AFRICAN ENTERPRISES NETWORK (WAEN) THE STATUS OF OBSERVER WITHIN THE INSTITUTIONS OF THE COMMUNITY

THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT,

MINDFUL of Article 7 of the Revised 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 Decision A/DEC. 9/8/94 dated 6th August, 1994 establishing regulations for the granting to non-governmental organisations (NGOs) the status of observer within the Institutions of the Community;

CONSIDERING that the West Africa Enterprise Network is an international non-governmental organisation comprising private sector entrepreneurs whose objective is to contribute to the improvement of the business climate in West Africa;

CONSIDERING the crucial role of the West Africa Enterprise Network (WAEN) in the development of cross-border trade and investment;

On the RECOMMENDATION of the thirty-ninth session of the Council of Ministers held at Abuja from 22nd to 25th July, 1996;

DECIDES

Article 1

The West African Enterprises Network (WAEN) is hereby granted the status of observer, in Category "A", within the Institutions of the Economic Community of West African States.

Article 2

This Decision shall be published by the Executive Secretariat in the Official Journal of the Community within thirty (30) days after signature by the Chairman of the Authority.

It shall also be published within the same time-

frame in the National Gazette of each Member State.

**DONE AT ABUJA,
THIS 27TH DAY OF JULY, 1996**



**H.E. JERRY JOHN RAWLINGS
CHAIRMAN
FOR THE AUTHORITY**

DECISION A/DEC. 6/7/96 ESTABLISHING STANDARDS FOR THE DESIGN OF COMMUNITY ROADS

THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT,

MINDFUL of Article 7 of the Revised 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 Decision A/DEC. 20/5/80 dated 28th May, 1980 of the Authority of Heads of State and Government relating to the ECOWAS transport programme;

MINDFUL of Resolution C/RES. 7/7/91 dated 3rd July, 1991 of the council of Ministers urging Member States to take into account ECOWAS decisions during negotiations for the financing of transport projects;

CONSCIOUS of safety considerations, given that heavy duty vehicles occupy up to 2.8 metres of the roadway;

MINDFUL of the fact that pavements less than 7 metres wide wear out more rapidly than those that exceed 7 metres, and therefore need more frequent maintenance;

AWARE of the higher maintenance cost of roads less than 7 metres wide;

MINDFUL of the increasingly heavy volume of traffic;

On the RECOMMENDATION of the thirty-ninth session of the Council of Ministers held in Abuja, from 22nd to 25th July, 1996;

DECIDES

Article 1

The design standards below are hereby established for the construction of Community roads;

- a) the design speed for construction of interstate roads shall be 100 km/h;
- b) The maximum axle load for design shall be 13 tons and the permissible axle load for operation shall be 11.5 tons;
- c) The road width shall be at least 7 metres;
- d) The shoulders shall be at least 1.5 metres wide on both sides.

Article 2

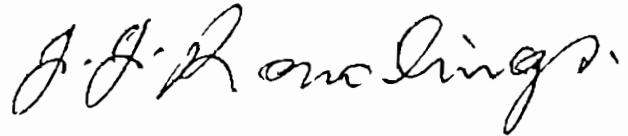
The Executive Secretariat shall monitor the implementation of this Decision.

Article 3

This Decision shall be published by the Executive Secretariat in the Official Journal of the Community thirty (30) days after its signature by the Chairman of the Authority of Heads of State and Government.

It shall also be published within the same time-frame in the National Gazette of each Member State.

**DONE AT ABUJA,
THIS 27TH DAY OF JULY, 1996**



**H.E. JERRY JOHN RAWLINGS
CHAIRMAN
FOR THE AUTHORITY**

DECISION A/DEC. 7/7/96 ON THE CONCLUSION OF A MULTILATERAL AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT AMONG MEMBER STATES

THE AUTHORITY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT,

MINDFUL of Article 7 of the Revised 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;