



**AGREEMENT AMENDING**

**THE TREATY OF THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN**

**DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY**

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**AGREEMENT AMENDING THE TREATY OF  
THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY**

**PREAMBLE**

**WE**, the Heads of State or Government of:

The Republic of Angola

The Republic of Botswana

The Democratic Republic of Congo

The Kingdom of Lesotho

The Republic of Madagascar

The Republic of Malawi

The Republic of Mauritius

The Republic of Mozambique

The Republic of Namibia

The Republic of Seychelles

The Republic of South Africa

The Kingdom of Swaziland

The United Republic of Tanzania

The Republic of Zambia

The Republic of Zimbabwe

**HAVING REGARD** to the objectives set forth in the Southern African Development Community (SADC) Treaty;

**REAFFIRMING** our commitment to the principles of human rights, democracy and the rule of law, especially as these principles must inform corrections and prisons operations in the SADC Region;

**RECOGNISING** that the current corrections and prisons activities need a regional institutional framework;

**CONVINCED** that the Organ on Politics, Defence and Security Co-operation should also serve as a coordinating forum for regional co-operation on corrections, prisons and penitentiary operations;

**REALIZING** that the Treaty requires amendment to identify the institutional forum for the co-ordination of the regional corrections, prisons and penitentiary operations;

**HEREBY AGREE** as follows:

## **ARTICLE 1**

### **Definitions**

In this Agreement, the terms and expressions defined in Article 1 of the Treaty shall bear the same meaning unless the context otherwise requires.

## **ARTICLE 2**

### **Amendment to Article 10A of the Treaty**

Paragraph 4 of Article 10A of the Treaty is amended to read as follows:

"4. There shall be a Ministerial Committee of the Organ, consisting of the Ministers responsible for:

- (a) foreign affairs;
- (b) defence;
- (c) public security;
- (d) state security;
- (e) police; and
- (f) corrections, prisons and penitentiary services,

from each of the Member States, which shall be responsible for the co-ordination of the work of the Organ and its structures."

## **ARTICLE 3**

### **Entry into force**

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of signature by three quarters of all members of the Summit.

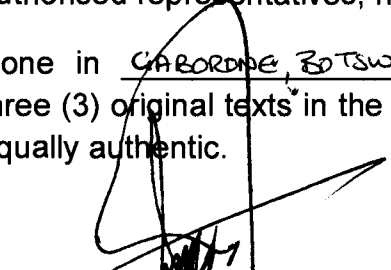
#### **ARTICLE 4**

##### **Depositary**

1. The original texts of this Agreement shall be deposited with the Executive Secretary who shall transmit certified copies to all Member States.
2. The Executive Secretary shall register this Agreement with the Secretariat of the United Nations Organisation and the Commission of the African Union.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE,** the Heads of State or Government, or our duly authorised representatives, have signed this Agreement.

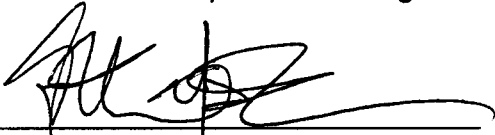
Done in CABORNE, BOTSWANA this 18 day of AUGUST 2015 in three (3) original texts in the English, French and Portuguese languages, all texts being equally authentic.

  
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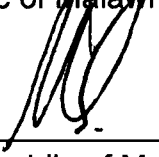
  
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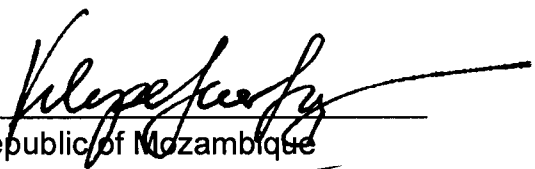
  
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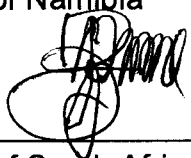
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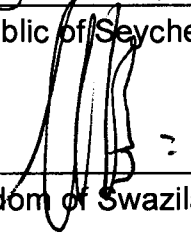
  
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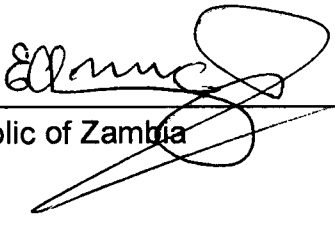
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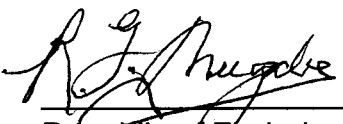
  
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