

AGREEMENT

AMENDING

THE PROTOCOL ON POLITICS, DEFENCE AND

SECURITY COOPERATION

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**AGREEMENT AMENDING THE PROTOCOL ON
POLITICS, DEFENCE AND SECURITY COOPERATION**

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 the operations of the law enforcement agencies in the SADC Region;

MINDFUL of the SADC Council Decision that the Organ should coordinate activities on cooperation in the fight against corruption in the Region;

NOTING that the SADC Protocol on Politics, Defence and Security Cooperation (hereinafter referred to as the Protocol) does not provide for a structure to coordinate regional activities on cooperation to fight corruption;

CONVINCED that the Inter-State Defence and Security Committee of the Organ on Politics, Defence and Security Co-operation (ISDSC) should also serve as a coordinating forum for the Southern African Anti-Corruption Committee;

REALIZING that the Protocol on Politics, Defence and Security Cooperation has to be amended to provide for a regional forum for the coordination of activities on cooperation on anti-corruption;

HEREBY AGREE as follows:

ARTICLE 1
Definitions

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

ARTICLE 2
Amendment of Article 1

Article 1 of the Protocol is amended by inserting in the appropriate alphabetic order the following new definitions:

“SADC Anti-Corruption Committee” means the Committee established in terms of Article 11 of the SADC Protocol Against Corruption to oversee the implementation of the Protocol Against Corruption.

ARTICLE 3
Amendment of Article 7

Paragraph 7 of Article 7 of the Protocol is amended to read as follows:

“7. ISDSC shall retain the Defence, State Security, Public Security Sub-Committees, SARPCCO, Corrections, Prisons and Penitentiary Sub Committee, the SADC Anti Corruption Committee, and other subordinate structures of the existing Inter-State Defence and Security Committee.”

ARTICLE 4
Entry into force

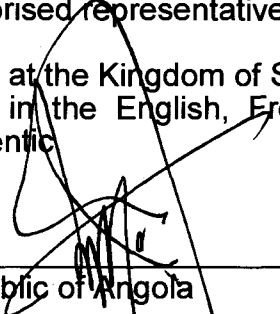
This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of its adoption by a decision of three-quarters of the Member States that are Parties to the Protocol.

ARTICLE 5
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 at the Kingdom of Swaziland, this 31st day of August, 2016, in three (3) original texts in the English, French and Portuguese languages, all texts being equally authentic



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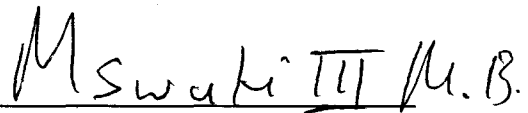
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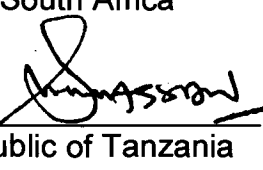
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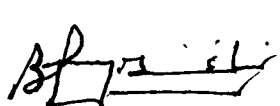
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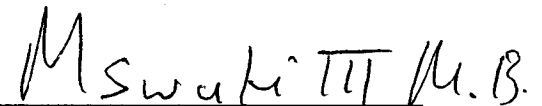
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