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RATIFICATION DE L'ACCORD D'ADHESION DU RWANDA AU GROUPE **ANTI-BLANCHIMENT** DE L'AFRIQUE **ORIENTALE ET AUSTRALE (ESAAMLG)**

Twebwe, KAGAME Paul,

Perezida wa Repubulika;

INTEKO ISHINGA AMATEGEKO YEMEJE, NONE NATWE DUHAMIJE, DUTANGAJE **ITEGEKO** RITEYE **RITYA** KANDI DUTEGETSE KO RYANDIKWA MU IGAZETI PUBLISHED IN THE OFFICIAL GAZETTE YA LETA YA REPUBULIKA Y'U RWANDA

We, KAGAME Paul,

President of the Republic;

THE PARLIAMENT HAS ADOPTED AND WE SANCTION, **PROMULGATE** FOLLOWING LAW AND ORDER IT BE OF THE REPUBLIC OF RWANDA

Nous, KAGAME Paul,

Président de la République;

LE PARLEMENT A ADOPTE, ET NOUS SANCTIONNONS, PROMULGUONS LA LOI DONT LA TENEUR SUIT ET ORDONNONS OU'ELLE SOIT PUBLIEE AU JOURNAL OFFICIEL DE LA REPUBLIQUE DU **RWANDA**

INTEKO ISHINGA AMATEGEKO:

Umutwe w'Abadepite, mu nama yawo yo ku wa 7 Kanama 2017:

Sena, mu nama yayo yo ku wa 12 Nyakanga 2017;

Ishingiye ku Itegeko Nshinga rya Repubulika y'u Rwanda ryo mu 2003 ryavuguruwe mu 2015, cyane cyane mu ngingo zaryo iya 64, iya 69, iya 70, iya 85, iya 87, iya 88, iya 90, iya 91, iya 93, iya 106, iya 120, iya 167, iya 168 n'iya 176;

bigize Umuryango ugamije Kurwanya Iyezandonke muri Afurika y'Iburasirazuba n'iy'Amajyepfo (ESAAMLG) yo ku wa 27 Kanama 1999, n'icyemezo cy'Inama y'Abaminisitiri b'Umuryango ugamije

THE PARLIAMENT:

The Chamber of Deputies, in its session of 7 August 2017;

The Senate, in its session of 12 July 2017;

Pursuant to the Constitution of the Republic of Rwanda of 2003 revised in 2015, especially in Articles 64, 69, 70, 85, 87, 88, 90, 91, 93, 106, 120, 167, 168 and 176;

Imaze gusuzuma amasezerano ahurirweho n'ibihugu After consideration of the Memorandum of Understanding among member States of the Eastern and Southern Africa Anti-Money Laundering Group (ESAAMLG) of 27 August 1999, and the resolution of the meeting of the Council of Ministers of the

LE PARLEMENT:

La Chambre des Députés, en sa séance du 7 août 2017;

Le Sénat, en sa séance du 12 juillet 2017;

Vu la Constitution de la République du Rwanda de 2003 révisée en 2015, spécialement en ses articles 64, 69, 70, 85, 87, 88, 90, 91, 93, 106, 120, 167, 168 et 176:

Après examen du Protocole d'Accord entre les Etats membres du Groupe Anti-Blanchiment de l'Afrique Orientale et Australe (ESAAMLG) du 27 août 1999, et de la résolution de la réunion du Conseil des Ministres du Groupe Anti-Blanchiment de l'

Kurwanya Iyezandonke muri Afurika y'Iburasirazuba Eastern and Southern Africa Anti-Money n'iy'Amajyepfo yateranye ku wa 05 Nzeri 2014 i Laundering Group held on 05 September 2014 in Luanda muri Angola, cyemera ubusabe bw'u Rwanda Luanda, Angola, approving the application by bwo kwinjira burundu mu Muryango ugamije Rwanda for full membership of Eastern and Kurwanya Ivezandonke muri y'Iburasirazuba n'iy'Amajyepfo;

Afurika Southern Africa Anti-Money Laundering Group;

Afrique Orientale et Australe tenue le 05 septembre 2014 à Luanda, en Angola, approuvant la demande du Rwanda de pleine adhésion au Groupe Anti-Blanchiment de l'Afrique Orientale et Australe;

YEMEJE:

ADOPTS:

ADOPTE:

Ingingo va mbere: Kwemera kwemeza burundu

Murvango ugamije Kurwanya Ivezandonke muri Afurika v'Iburasirazuba (ESAAMLG) ari ku mugereka wa I, yemerewe Law, is approved for ratification. kwemezwa burundu.

Afurika v'Iburasirazuba (ESAAMLG) u Rwanda rwasabye kwinjiramo Rwanda applied for membership is governed by the ugengwa n'Amasezerano ari ku mugereka wa II w'iri Memorandum of Understanding in Annex II of this tegeko.

Ingingo ya 2: Itegurwa, isuzumwa n'itorwa by'iri tegeko

Iri tegeko ryateguwe mu rurimi rw'Icyongereza, This Law was drafted in English, considered and La présente loi a été initiée en anglais, examinée et risuzumwa kandi ritorwa mu rurimi rw'Ikinyarwanda.

Ingingo ya 3: Igihe iri tegeko ritangira Article 3: Commencement gukurikizwa

Iri tegeko ritangira gukurikizwa ku munsi This Law comes into force on the date of its La présente loi entre en vigueur le jour de sa ritangarijweho mu Igazeti ya Leta ya Repubulika y'u Rwanda.

Article One: Approval for ratification

Amasezerano yerekeye iyinjizwa ry'u Rwanda mu The Agreement of Accession of Rwanda to the L'Accord d'adhésion du Rwanda au Groupe Anti-Eastern and Southern Africa Anti-Money n'iy'Amajyepfo Laundering Group (ESAAMLG) in Annex I of this

> n'iy'Amajyepfo Laundering Group (ESAAMLG) in respect of which Law.

Article 2: Drafting, consideration and adoption of Article 2: Initiation, examen et adoption de la this Law

adopted in Kinyarwanda.

publication in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Rwanda.

Article premier: Approbation pour ratification

Blanchiment de l'Afrique Orientale et Australe (ESAAMLG) en annexe I, est approuvé pour ratification.

Umuryango ugamije Kurwanya Iyezandonke muri The Eastern and Southern Africa Anti-Money Le Groupe Anti-Blanchiment d'Afrique Orientale et Australe (ESAAMLG) pour lequel le Rwanda a demandé l'adhésion est régi par le Protocole d'Accord en annexe II de la présente loi.

présente loi

adoptée en kinyarwanda.

Article 3: Entrée en vigueur

publication au Journal Officiel de la République du Rwanda.

Kigali, ku wa 14/09/2017

Kigali, on 14/09/2017

Kigali, le 14/09/2017

(sé)

KAGAME Paul Perezida wa Repubulika

(sé)

Dr. NGIRENTE EdouardMinisitiri w'Intebe

Bibonywe kandi bishyizweho Ikirango cya Repubulika:

(sé)

BUSINGYE Johnston Minisitiri w'Ubutabera/Intumwa Nkuru ya Leta (sé)

KAGAME Paul President of the Republic

(sé)

Dr. NGIRENTE EdouardPrime Minister

Seen and sealed with the Seal of the Republic:

(sé)

BUSINGYE JohnstonMinister of Justice/Attorney General

(sé)

KAGAME Paul Président de la République

(sé)

Dr. NGIRENTE EdouardPremier Ministre

Vu et scellé du Sceau de la République:

(sé)

BUSINGYE Johnston
Ministre de la Justice/Garde des Sceaux

RYO KU WA 14/09/2017 MURYANGO **UGAMIJE IYEZANDONKE MURI Y'IBURASIRAZUBA** N'IY'AMAJYEPFO (ESAAMLG)

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RYEMERA APPROVING RATIFICATION OF THE APPROUVANT LA RATIFICATION DE KWEMEZA BURUNDU AMASEZERANO AGREEMENT OF ACCESSION OF RWANDA L'ACCORD D'ADHESION DU RWANDA AU **ANTI-BLANCHIMENT** GROUP L'AFRIQUE ORIENTALE ET AUSTRALE (ESAAMLG)



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Mr. Eliawony J. Kisanga **Executive Secretary** Eastern and Southern African Anti-Money Laundering Group (ESAAMLG) P.O. Box 9923 Dar es Salaam Tanzania

Dear Executive Secretary,

RE: Application for membership to the Eastern and Southern African Anti-Money Laundering Group (ESAAMLG)

Referring to the ESAAMLG invitation sent to Rwanda to join the organisation for cooperation in fighting money laundering and terrorist financing dated May 22nd, 2009 and after reviewing the attached MoU among member governments of the Group; it is with great pleasure that Rwanda is honouring your invitation by applying to become a member Government of ESAAMLG.

It is crucial that Rwanda joins the group in order to co-operate in fighting cross border Anti-Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing crimes.

I look forward to your consideration.

Yours Sincerely,

Minister

Cc:

Governor, National Bank of Rwanda



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Ref. No. ESAAMLG/RWANDA/300/17/1

Office of the Executive Secretary ESAAMLG P.O. Box 9923 Dar es Salaam, TANZANIA

6 October 2014

Hon. Claver Gatete, Minister of Finance and Economic Planning, Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning, P.O. Box 158,

Kigali, REPUBLIC OF RWANDA.

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Hon. Minister,

Re: Republic of Rwanda's Application for Full Membership of Eastern and Southern
Africa Anti Money Laundering Group (ESAAMLG)

I am delighted to write to you to inform you that the Council of Ministers of ESAAMLG which met in Luanda, Angola on 5th September 2014 considered and unanimously approved the application of Rwanda for full membership of ESAAMLG.

First I would like to offer my congratulations to Rwanda. I am looking forward with pleasure to the opportunity of working with Rwanda to advance the Anti – Money Laundering and Combating the Financing of Terrorism regime which your government is developing.

Let me also thank you and the officials from Rwanda who we have been working with for the cooperation Rwanda extended to the member countries of ESAAMLG and the Secretariat since joining as an observer member. Mr. John Rwangombwa , Governor of the Bank of Rwanda, and Mr. Joseph Habyara, Director FUI Rwanda offered invaluable

Cooperation and Support. We were also pleased to receive cooperation from all officials who participated in the discussion of Rwanda's AML/CFT Detailed Assessment Report undertaken by the IMF.

In accordance with the ESAAMLG Memorandum of Understanding, Rwanda's full membership will become effective upon payment of the initial subscription. The ESAAMLG financial year runs from 1st April – to 31 March. I will communicate to you the level of subscription which Rwanda will pay for this financial year following the full admission on 5th September 2015.

I look forward to the pleasure of welcoming the Rwanda delegation to the March 2015 Task Force of Senior Officials meeting as a full member and welcoming you to the September 2015 Council of Ministers meeting

Yours faithfully,

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Eliawony J. Kisanga
EXECUTIVE SECERETARY

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Minister of Finance

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Ms. Francisca Brito,

Chairperson, ESAAMLG Task Force of Senior Officials

Luanda,

Republic of Angola

Mr. Rwangombwa John,

Governor Bank of Rwanda

Mr. Joseph Habyara,

Director FIU, Rwanda

w'Itegeko n°44/2017 ryo ku wa 14/09/2017 rvemera kwemeza burundu Amasezerano verekeve ivinjizwa ry'u Rwanda mu Murvango ugamije Kurwanya Iyezandonke muri Afurika Group (ESAAMLG) y'Iburasirazuba n'iy'Amajyepfo (ESAAMLG)

Bibonywe kugira ngo bishyirwe ku mugereka Seen to be annexed to Law n°44/2017 of Vu pour être annexé à la Loi n°44/2017 du

14/09/2017 approving the ratification of the 14/09/2017 approuvant la ratification de l'Accord Agreement of Accession of Rwanda to the Eastern d'adhésion du Rwanda au Groupe Antiand Southern Africa Anti-Money Laundering Blanchiment de l'Afrique Orientale et Australe (ESAAMLG)

Kigali, ku wa 14/09/2017

Kigali, on 14/09/2017

Kigali, le 14/09/2017.

(sé)

KAGAME Paul Perezida wa Repubulika (sé)

KAGAME Paul President of the Republic (sé)

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AMONG MEMBER GOVERNMENTS OF THE EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA ANTI MONEY LAUNDERING GROUP

Considering the threat posed by the activities of money launderers;

Determined to preserve and maintain social, economic and political stability in the Region;

Acknowledging the need for expertise and training to ensure the effective implementation of money laundering counter-measures and the support of non-member countries and international organisations in sustaining such training programmes; and,

Acknowledging that regional and international co-operation is critical in the fight against money laundering and reaffirming their commitment given in various Commonwealth meetings including those of Heads of Government, and Law and Finance Ministers to adopt and implement the 40 Recommendations of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF).

Acknowledging the need for the development and implementation of national antimoney laundering legislation in the respective countries which is in accordance with international anti-money laundering strategies.

The Governments party to this memorandum have reached the following understanding:

I - Objectives

Member countries of the Eastern and Southern Africa Anti Money Laundering Group (ESAMLG) agree to:

(a) adopt and implement the 40 Recommendations of the Financial Action Task Force;

- (b) apply anti-money laundering measures to all serious crimes; and
- (c) implement any other measures contained in multilateral Agreements and initiatives to which they subscribe for the prevention and control of the laundering of the proceeds of all serious crimes.

II - Members

1. Member countries are:

- (a) those Commonwealth countries within the Eastern and Southern Africa Region (initial subscribers) which subscribe to this Memorandum either:
 - (i) by signing this Memorandum at the meeting held in Arusha, Tanzania on 27 August, 1999; or
 - (ii) within six months thereafter.
- (b) any country within the region, other than an initial subscriber to this Memorandum of Understanding, whose application for membership of the group is approved.
- 2. Applications for membership by a country described in paragraph II.1(b) will be considered by the President in consultation with other member countries within 12 months of receipt. Countries will be admitted as Members upon approval of their application by two thirds of the Member countries and their subscription to this Memorandum.

III - Co-operating and Supporting Nations

- Co-operating and Supporting Nations are countries which express their support for the objectives of the Eastern and Southern Africa anti Money Laundering Group.
- Co-operating and Supporting Nations are committed to the mutual evaluation of their progress in implementing the 40 Recommendations of the FATF and will make such contributions to the work and/or resources of the ESAMLG as are permitted by their respective national laws and policies.

- Other countries that are not Members of the ESAMLG may become Cooperating and Supporting Nations. All future Co-operating and Supporting Nations must express their commitment to the support of the ESAMLG and have undergone a positive mutual evaluation by the FATF or an FATF-style regional body.
- 4. Countries may apply in writing to the President of the Ministerial Council to become Co-operating and Supporting Nations. Applications will be considered by the President in consultation with other Member countries within 12 months of receipt. A Country will be considered a Co-operating and Supporting Nation upon approval of their application by two thirds of the Member countries.

IV - Observers

Observers are:

- a. Organisations which actively support or otherwise are interested in the objectives of the ESAMLG;
 - Countries which are considering Membership or becoming Cooperating and Supporting Nations;
 - Any other country or organisation, after appropriate consultation, invited by the President of the Council with members;
- 2. Initial observers to the ESAMLG are the Commonwealth Secretariat, the UN Global Programme Against Money Laundering, the FATF Secretariat, the World Bank, the IMF, Interpol, the World Customs Organisation, the African Development Bank, the SADC Secretariat, the COMESA Secretariat and the EAC Secretariat, East African Development Bank, and the Eastern and Southern Africa Development Bank;
- 3. An Organisation or country, may apply in writing to the President of the Council to become an Observer. Applications will be considered by the President in consultation with other Member countries within 12 months of receipt. Organisations or countries, will be admitted as Observers

upon the approval of their applications by two third of the Member countries

V - Funding

- The activities of the ESAMLG will be funded by annual contributions from Member countries as decided by the Ministerial Council and by contributions from Co-operating and Supporting Nations or any other source approved by the Ministerial Council.
- 2. Member countries will bear the cost of their participation in the activities of the ESAMLG.

VI - Structure

The Eastern and Southern Africa Anti Money Laundering Group comprises:

- a) The Ministerial Council (the Council);
- b) The Task Force of Senior Officials (the Task Force);
- c) The Secretariat.

VII - The Council

- Subject to Chapter XI, the Ministerial Council will be the key Decision Body within the ESAMLG and consist of at least one ministerial representative or duly authorised alternate from each Member country.
- The Council will meet at least once a year.
- 3. The Council shall elect a President and a Vice-President from among its number provided always that:
 - (a) The President and the Vice-President may not represent the same Member country;

(b) The President and the Vice-President include among their number one Minister representing legal or law enforcement interests and one Minister representing financial interests.

4. The Council will:

- (i) approve the Annual Report;
- (ii) approve the Financial Reports for the previous financial year;
- (iii) approve the Work Programme for the following year/s;
- (iv) approve the budget for the following year:
- (v) Establish a Secretariat and appoint the Executive Secretary and, where relevant, the Deputy Executive Secretary of the Secretariat;
- (vi) appoint the Chairman and the Vice Chairman of the Task Force;
- (vii) appoint an External Accountant and an Auditor;
- (viii) adopt Evaluation Reports on Member countries;
- (ix) decide on policy matters including the adoption of any international anti-money laundering standards;
- (x) approve the admission of new Member countries, Co-operating and Supporting Nations, and Observers;
- (xi) take appropriate action with respect to Member countries that do not comply with this Memorandum;
- (xii) determine the location of the Secretariat;
- (xiii) discuss any other business of which written notice has been given to the Secretariat at least three months prior to the meeting of the Council; and
- (xiv) agree on the date and venue of the next meeting of the Council.

VIII - The President

- 1 The President will hold office for a term of one year and will chair meetings of the Council.
- 2. The President will represent the ESAMLG at meetings of other intergovernmental groups dealing with anti-money laundering and other occasions determined by the Council.
- In the event that the President is unable to perform any official function, the Vice President will assume the duties and powers of the President.

IX - The Vice-President

The Vice-President will undertake such functions as may be delegated by the President.

X - The Task Force

- Each Member will be represented in the Task Force by such senior officials as may be appropriate provided that each member shall nominate one senior official as head of delegation.
- The Task Force will meet at least twice annually.
- The Task Force will be chaired by the Chairman in the event of his/her absence the Vice Chairman will deputise.
- For submission to the Council, the Task Force will:
 - (i) prepare the draft agenda;
 - (ii) consider the draft Annual Report;
 - (iii) consider the Financial Reports;

- (iv) review progress in the implementation of the approved Work Programme;
- (v) consider the draft Work Programme for the following year;
- (vi) consider a budget for the following year;
- (vii) make recommendations for the appointment of the External Accountant and an External Auditor;
- (vii) develop, consider and recommend proposals for funding;
- (ix) consider self and mutual Evaluation Reports on Member countries;
- make recommendations on policy matters, including the adoption of any revised Recommendations;
- (xi) make recommendations on the admission of new Member countries, Co-operating and Supporting Nations, and Observers;
 and
- (xii) recommend candidates for the positions of Executive Secretary and (Deputy Executive Secretary).
- 5. The Task Force may, with the consent of the President establish an Executive Bureau standing sub-groups to undertake specific tasks; and ad hoc groups, as appropriate, to deal with specific issues including day to day management of its work.

XI - Procedures at Meetings

- A validly constituted quorum for a meeting of either the Council or the Task Force will exist when at least one half of the Member countries is present.
- 2. All Member countries participate in meetings. Co-operating and Supporting Nations and Observers may, subject to contrary resolution by Member countries, participate in meetings.
 - Only Member countries present have the right to vote and each Member country has one vote at a meeting of the Council.

- Co-operating and Supporting Nations and Observers may participate in the discussion of evaluations unless the evaluated Member country objects.
- 5. Resolutions of the Council will be adopted by two-thirds majority of the Member countries present.
- 6. Notwithstanding the provision of Article XI.5, all resolutions relating to financial issues will be determined by consensus.

XII - The Secretariat

- The Secretariat will perform technical and administrative functions under the direction of the Executive Secretary.
- The Secretariat, under supervision of the Chairman of the Task Force, will:
 - (i) implement the Work Programme approved by the Council;
 - (ii) administer the approved budget;
 - (iii) co-ordinate and participate in mutual evaluations;
 - (iv) co-ordinate and make technical recommendations on the selfassessment of members, disseminate self-assessment questionnaires, and collate and analyse the responses thereto;
 - (v) identify training and technical assistance needs of Member countries and facilitate the provision thereof;
 - (vi) act as a liaison between the ESAMLG and third countries and organisations involved in countering money laundering and related matters;
 - (vii) monitor anti-money laundering developments and on authorisation by the Chairman , participate in activities not included in the Work Programme;

- (viii) receive applications on behalf of the Chair;
- (ix) receive notices of intention to withdraw and notify Members accordingly; and
- (x) discharge any other responsibility assigned by the Task Force or the Council.
- 3. The Secretariat will submit to the Task Force:
 - (i) the Annual Report;
 - (ii) the Financial Reports;
 - (iii) the Work Programme for the following year;
 - (iv) the budget for the following year.

XIII - National Committees

Member countries will, in accordance with applicable domestic law, establish Standing Anti-Money Laundering Committees or similar entities, comprising senior representatives of relevant disciplines: Legal and Judicial, Financial, and Law Enforcement.

XIV - Self Assessment

Members agree to participate in an ongoing Self Assessment Programme co-ordinated by the Secretariat.

XV - Mutual Evaluation-

Members agree to participate in a programme of mutual evaluation conducted in accordance with Mutual Evaluation Procedures approved by the Council.

XVI - Languages and Authentic Text

The official language of the ESAMLG will be English.

XVII - Accounting Period

The financial year will be from the first day of July to the 30th day of June.

XVIII - Financial Reports

- The External Accountant will submit to the Task Force financial statements comprising a balance sheet, income and expenditure, cash flow and source and application of funds by 31 July each year.
- 2. The External Auditor will carry out an annual audit of the books and accounts of the ESAMLG, and prepare and submit a report to the Council within 3 months of the end of the financial year.

XIX - Amendment of this Memorandum

This Memorandum may be amended by consensus of the member countries.

XX - Entry into Effect

- (i) This Memorandum will enter into force when seven Member countries have signed and advised the President that their constitutional requirements have been satisfied.
- (ii) For any country which signs subsequently it will take effect on the date on which that country notifies the President that its constitutional requirements have been satisfied.

XXI - Withdrawal

A withdrawal by a Member or a Co-operating and Supporting Nation or an observer will take effect three months after receipt by the Secretariat of written notice of intention to withdraw.

DONE AT ARUSHA, TANZANIA on the 27th day of August, 1999 in Fourteen originals all in the English Language. Each State shall retain the one original.

IN THE FAITH WHEREOF the undersigned have placed their signatures at the end of this MOU.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF LESOTHO

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FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZIMBABWE 11/1/ Mundaul

w'Itegeko n° 44/2017 ryo ku wa 14/09/2017 rvemera kwemeza burundu Amasezerano verekeve iyinjizwa ry'u Rwanda mu Muryango ugamije Kurwanya Iyezandonke muri Afurika Group (ESAAMLG) y'Iburasirazuba n'iy'Amajyepfo (ESAAMLG)

Bibonywe kugira ngo bishyirwe ku mugereka Seen to be annexed to Law n° 44/2017 of Vu pour être annexé à la Loi n° 44/2017 du 14/09/2017

approving the ratification of the 14/09/2017 approuvant la ratification de l'Accord Agreement of Accession of Rwanda to the Eastern d'adhésion du Rwanda au Groupe Antiand Southern Africa Anti-Money Laundering Blanchiment de l'Afrique Orientale et Australe (ESAAMLG)

Kigali, ku wa 14/09/2017

Kigali, on 14/09/2017

Kigali, le 14/09/2017

(sé)

KAGAME Paul Perezida wa Repubulika

(sé)

Dr. NGIRENTE Edouard Minisitiri w'Intebe

(sé) **KAGAME Paul**

President of the Republic

(sé)

Dr. NGIRENTE Edouard Prime Minister

(sé)

KAGAME Paul Président de la République

(sé)

Dr. GIRENTE Edouard Premier Ministre

Vu et scellé du Sceau de la République:

Bibonywe kandi bishyizweho Ikirango cya Repubulika:

(sé)

BUSINGYE Johnston

Minisitiri w'Ubutabera/Intumwa Nkuru ya Leta

Seen and sealed with the Seal of the Republic:

(sé)

BUSINGYE Johnston Minister of Justice/Attorney General (sé)

BUSINGYE Johnston Ministre de la Justice/Garde des Sceaux