COMMISSION OF INQUIRY (INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER OF FOOTBALL PLAYERS) INSTRUMENT, 1999

As amended

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WHEREAS the President is satisfied that there should appointed a Commission of Inquiry into the international transfer of Ghana Football players;

NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred on the President by clause (1) of article 278 of the Constitution, this Instrument is made this 9th day of March, 1999.

Section 1—Appointment of Commission.

There is hereby appointed a Commission of Inquiry composed of the following persons—

Justice Nasii Sule Gbadegbe,

High Court Judge Chairman

Hon. Abuga Pele, Member of Parliament

For Chiana-Paga Constituency Member

Mr. Ate Allotey

Office of the National Security Co-ordinator Member

Mr. George Boro Dasoberi, Ag. Director

National Sports College, Winneba Member

Miss Mercy Kwaah, Principal State Attorney,

Attorney-General's Department Member/Secretary.

[As substituted by Commission of Inquiry (Internatinal Transfer of Football Players) (Amendment) Intrument, 1999 (CI 22)].

Section 2—Terms of Reference of Commission.

The terms of reference of the Commission are —

- (a) To examine the method of operation in Ghana for international transfer of footballers to determine whether the method used is in consonance with the Regulations of Federation of International Football Association:
- (b) To scrutinise existing contracts for the international transfer of any footballer to determine whether the transfer was made in accordance with any special directive applicable at the time of the contract:
- (c) To determine in relation to any contract entered into for the international transfer of a footballer whether the sums negotiated under the contract was declared by the club or agent to the Ghana Football Association;

- (d) To investigate any dispute relating to any contract for the international transfer of any footballer:
- (e) To ascertain whether proper records of international transfer of footballers are kept by the Ghana Football Association or the clubs concerned or by both;
- (f) to inquire into any other matter which appears to the Commission to be incidental to or reasonably related to the foregoing and which in the opinion of the Commission ought to be inquired into;
- (g) To make recommendations for sanctions where considered appropriate; and
- (h) To submit its report to the President giving reasons for its findings and recommendations.

Section 3—Mode of Operation of Commission.

The Commission shall carry out its inquiry in accordance with articles 279, 280 and 281 of the Constitution.

Section 4—Secretary to the Commission.

Miss Mercy Kwaah, Principal State Attorney, Attorney-General's Department shall be secretary to the Commission and shall perform such administrative functions relating to the work of the Commission as the Commission may direct.

Section 5—Appearance by Lawyer.

- (1) Any person whose conduct is the subject of inquiry by the Commission or who is anyway implicated, concerned in, or has a legitimate interest in any matter under investigation by the Commission shall be entitled to be represented by a lawyer at the inquiry.
- (2) Any other person who may consider it desirable that he should be represented by a lawyer or any other expert may be allowed by the Commission to be so represented.

Section 6—Privileges and Immunities of Witness and Lawyer.

A witness or lawyer appearing before the Commission shall be entitled to the same privileges and immunities as a witness or lawyer appearing before the High Court.

Section 7—Expenses in Relation to Commission.

- (1) A witness summoned by the Commission shall be entitled to such allowances as are payable to a witness summoned by the High Court in a Criminal trial.
- (2) The chairman and other members of the commission and any person employed in relation to the functions of the commission may be paid such travelling sitting and other allowances as the president may approve on the recommendations of the Minister responsible for Finance.

Section 8—Public Officers to Assist Commission.

The Inspector General of Police shall assign officers to attend upon the Commission, to serve summones on witnesses and to perform such other functions relating to the Commission as the Commissioners may direct.

FLT. LT. JERRY JOHN RAWLINGS

President

Date of Gazette Notification: 12th March, 1999.

Amended by

COMMISSION OF INQUIRY (INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER OF FOOTBALL PLAYERS) (AMENDMENT) INSTRUMENT, 1999 (C.I. 23)