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EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICAN MINERAL RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

Second Extraordinary meeting of the Coverning Council

Kampala (Uganda), 12 and 14 June 1988

- In his opening remarks, the Chairman reiterated the objectives of the ESAMRDC which were among others, the provision to member States of specialized laboratory services. He added that it was because of this reason that member States had decided to construct laboratory facilities in Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania, to cater for this need.
- He continued that in pursuance of this objective the Second Extraordinary meeting of the Governing, Council was being held in Kampala to hear the report of the Capital Development Committee about progress in the establishment of the ESAMRDC laboratories.

## II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA (Item ii of the Agenda)

- 7. The agenda was adopted without amendments. It consisted of the following items:
  - 1. Opening of the Meeting;
  - Adoption of the Agenda;
  - 3. Consideration of the report of the Third Meeting of the Capital Development Committee concerning the Consultancy Contract for Architectural and Engineering designs of the Centre's Laboratories.

# III. CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT OF THE THIRD MEETING OF THE CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (CDC) (Item iii of the Agenda)

8. After the agenda was adopted, the Chairman called upon the Executive Board Representative of Ethiopia, Chairman of the Capital Development Committee, to present the CDC report.

- 9. Because the Executive Board Representative of Ethiopia who is Chairman of the Committee had already left Uganda and returned to Ethiopia, the Director General of the ESAMRDC presented the CDC report in his place.
- 10. The Director General said that the Centre had, in April 1988, through the local press in the member States invited interested Architectural Firms to express interest for pre-qualification for the consultancy contract involving the preparation of detailed architectural and engineering designs of the ESAMRDC laboratories.
- 11. He stated that 14 firms from Ethiopia, Tanzania, and Uganda had responded to the advertisement and that at the Second meeting of the CDC held in Ethiopia on 13 May 1988, 7 firms were pre-qualified and asked to bid for the consultancy contract.
- 12. He further added that at the Third meeting of the CDC on 8 and 9 June 1988, in Kampala, the CDC selected Getachew Bekele of Ethiopia to be awarded the consultancy contract.
- 13. In the discussion that followed the Hon. Vice Minister of Mines and Energy of Ethiopia wanted the Director General to present briefly also the Report of the Third meeting of Capital Development Committee which he did not have an opportunity to read due to its being made available to him just before the start of the session.

- 14. The Director General went over the various criteria that had been followed in the selection of the Consultancy Firm which included mainly:
  - (i) Experience in the design supervision and construction:
  - (ii) Manpower capability, competence and strength
     to be assigned to the project;
  - (iii) The Firm's appraisal of the scope of the project;
    - (iv) The organization and programme of work presented;
      - (v) The financial implications and terms of payment.
- 15. The Hon. Vice-Minister of Mines and Energy of Ethiopia also wanted clarification on paragraph 7 (a) of the report regarding soil investigations, topographic surveying and landscape design. That is, if it was intended to go into competitive tendering just for the works.
- 16. Replying, the Director General said that the Centre will-find a firm in Tanzania on a competitive basisto execute the work.
- 17. The Hon. Deputy Minister of Energy and Minerals of Tanzania said that while he appreciated the work of the CDC, he wanted some clarification as to whether considerations had been given to the advantages to be derived from utilizing a local firm and to the disadvantages likely to be encountered if a foreign firm is hired to undertake the consultancy contract, considering that the difference in scores awarded to Getachew Bekele cf Ethiopia and Archplan International of Tanzania is negligible.

- 18. The Director General of the ESAMRDC stated that the condition of the contract is that it will not exceed US\$50,000.
- 19. Regarding the advantages and disadvantages of using a local firm vis-a-vis a foreign firm, the Director General said that all these factors had been considered by the CDC when they decided that Getachew Bekele of Ethiopia should be awarded the consultancy contract. In fact it is because of the reasons advanced by the Hon. Deputy Minister that they had decided on the condition that Getachew Bekele appoints a local representative in Dar-es-Salaam.
- 20. The Hon. Deputy Minister from Tanzania asked the Council to put on record his remarks for future reference.
- 21. There being no further comments the Council approved the report of the Third meeting of the Capital Development Committee.

## III. ANY OTHER BUSINESS (Item iv of the agenda)

22. There was no other business.

## IV. DATE AND VENUE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE NEXT GOVERNING COUNCIL

(Item v of the agenda)

23. It was agreed that the next meeting of the Governing Council would be held in Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania. The exact dates would be communicated to the member States later, as it was the wish of the First Extraordinary meeting of the Governing Council to

Council took note of the fact that at the time of holding the meeting in Kampala, it was not possible to determine the date when all activities required to be undertaken to select the building contractor would be completed.

- 24. The Hon. Deputy Minister of Energy and Minerals of Tanzania informed the meeting that Tanzania was going to host the Energy Ministerial meeting of SADCC during the first half of September 1988 and as such he advised that the next Governing Council meeting of the Centre should be held on dates other than the first and second week of September 1988.
- 25. There being no other business the Chairman thanked the members of the Council for their co-operation and contribution during the meeting. The meeting closed at 3.45 p.m.
- 26. The Council met on Tuesday 14 June 1988 at 11.00 a.m. and adopted its report.

## SECOND EXTRAORDINARY GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING KAMPALA, 12 JUNE, 1988

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