

Decisions of CAF Executive Committee, 10 January 2018

At its meeting today in Casablanca, the CAF Executive Committee chaired by CAF President Ahmad took the following decisions:

1- Effective 2018, indemnities of referees designated for CAF matches, will be paid directly by CAF. This historic decision is a materialization of a campaign promise by the CAF President. Till now, the regulations required host associations to pay these indemnities. The decision reduces the financial burden on national associations and also eliminates an ethical challenge because it removes the suspicion perceived between national associations and the referees.

2- Validation of candidates for the four vacancies on the CAF Executive Committee, for which an election will be organized during the Ordinary General Assembly on 2 February 2018 in Casablanca;
North zone (1 position) - candidate: Jamal El Jaafri (Libya)
West A Zone (1 position) - candidate: Augustin Senghor (Senegal)
West B Zone (1 position) - candidate: Sita Sangare (Burkina Faso)
Central Zone (1 position) - Candidates: Patrice Edouard Ngaissona (Central African Republic) and Pierre Alain Mounguengui (Gabon)

Only one application was disqualified by the Executive Committee for failure to meet the statutory deadlines, which is that of Bachir Ould Zmirli (Algeria).

3- Approval of the calendar of the interclub competitions for the year 2018 (<u>click here</u>) and modification of the regulations of these competitions, with an additional draw before the quarter-finals stage.

4- Implementation in 2018 of the African Football Symposium resolution of a change in periodicity for club competitions. The next season as a transition will begin in December and end in May 2019 with a more rigorous application of the Club Licensing regulations. By 2019, the cycle will run from September to May of the following year.

5- As part of preparations for Total CHAN Ethiopia 2020, a CAF inspection team will conduct an inspection in the country during the first quarter of 2018.

6- The "fieldwiz" kit, a technological device for better monitoring of players' performances, already offered by CAF to the five African qualified teams for the FIFA World Cup Russia 2018, will also be donated to the other 49 Member Associations.