

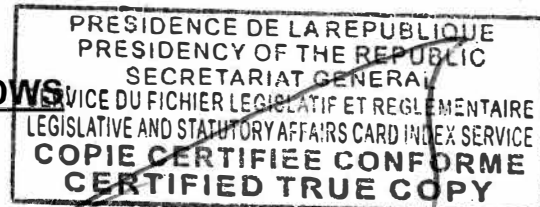
**DECREE No. 2021/89 of 12 February
to transform the National Veterinary Laboratory
into a State-owned Corporation**

THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC,

- Mindful of** the Constitution;
- Mindful of** the OHADA Uniform Act Relating to Commercial Companies and Economic Interest Groups, adopted on 30 January 2014 at Ouagadougou;
- Mindful of** Law No. 2017/11 of 12 July 2017 to lay down the general rules and regulations governing public corporations;
- Mindful of** Law No. 2018/12 of 11 July 2018 relating to the fiscal regime of the State and other public entities;
- Mindful of** Decree No. 90/1460 of 8 November 1990 to reorganize the National Veterinary Laboratory;
- Mindful of** Decree No. 2011/408 of 9 December 2011 to organize the Government, as amended and supplemented by Decree No. 2018/190 of 2 March 2018;
- Mindful of** Decree No. 2018/355 of 12 June 2018 to lay down common rules applicable to contracts awarded by public undertakings,

HEREBY DECREES AS FOLLOWS

CHAPTER I
GENERAL PROVISIONS



ARTICLE 1: (1) With effect from the date of signature of this decree, the National Veterinary Laboratory, abbreviated and hereinafter referred to as "LANAVET", is transformed into a State-owned Corporation.

(2) LANAVET shall have legal personality and financial autonomy.

(3) It shall be headquartered in Garoua.

(4) As and when necessary, LANAVET may have sub-entities in the form of annexes, branches, agencies, offices or representations.

(5) The sub-entities referred to in paragraph 4 above may be set up within or outside the national territory, by resolution of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 2: (1) The State of Cameroon shall be the sole shareholder of LANAVET.

(2) The shareholding of LANAVET may be open to other public or private entities.

(3) The articles of association of LANAVET shall set forth conditions governing equity participation.

CHAPTER II **MISSIONS**

ARTICLE 3: (1) The duties of LANAVET shall be to analyse samples relating to animal health and production, produce and market biological products and veterinary medicines, and carry out training and retraining.

In that capacity, it shall in particular be responsible for:

(a) regarding the analysis of samples relating to animal health and reproduction:

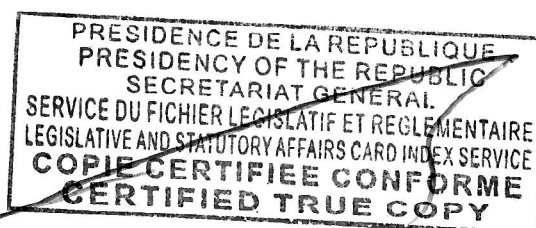
- analysis of samples of animal origin, whether pathological or not, from all parts of the national territory or from abroad, with a view to making a diagnosis and participating in the adoption of appropriate therapeutic and prophylactic measures;
- quality control of veterinary medicines;
- quality control of foodstuffs of animal and fish origin;
- quality control of products intended for use as animal feed;
- animal health research;

(b) regarding the production and marketing of biological products and veterinary medicines:

- production and marketing of biological products such as vaccines for veterinary and human use, serums, veterinary diagnostic kits, agricultural fertilizers, etc.;
- production and marketing of veterinary medicines;
- production and marketing of veterinary and human hygiene products;
- creation of warehouses, counters and depots for the marketing of LANAVET-labelled products;
- development of a database on biological strains and the protection of research results;

(c) regarding training and retraining:

- training of laboratory managers and technicians;
- capacity building for managers and technicians in its fields of competence;
- technical and scientific cooperation with national or international organizations dealing with animal health.



(2) In addition, LANAVET may be responsible for the following:

- performance of all public service operations or missions linked to its corporate purpose and directly or indirectly related to the activities defined above or likely to promote animal health and production;
- carrying out any other tasks entrusted to it by the State.

ARTICLE 4: (1) LANAVET shall be under the technical supervisory authority of the ministry in charge of livestock and under the financial supervisory authority of the ministry in charge of finance.

(2) The technical supervisory authority shall ensure compliance of the resolutions of the Board of Directors with the laws and regulations in force, as well as with sector policy guidelines.

(3) The financial supervisory authority shall ensure the regularity of the resolutions of the Board of Directors with a financial impact, the sustainability of financial commitments and the overall consistency of LANAVET performance plans with sector programmes.

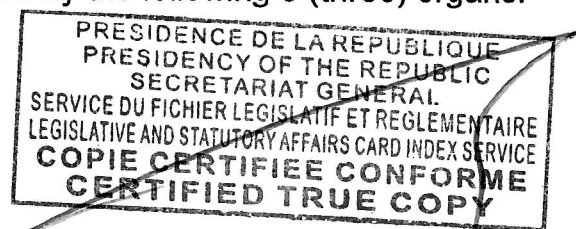
ARTICLE 5: (1) The technical and financial supervisory authorities, in conjunction with the Board of Directors, shall contribute towards monitoring the performance of LANAVET.

(2) LANAVET shall submit to the technical and financial supervisory authorities all documents and information relating to life of the Corporation, in particular the financial statements, the auditor's report and the activities reports.

(3) The technical supervisory ministry shall submit an annual report on the situation of LANAVET to the President of the Republic.

ARTICLE 6: (1) LANAVET shall be managed by the following 3 (three) organs:

- General Meeting;
- Board of Directors; and
- Management.



(2) The duties, composition, organization and functioning of the organs referred to in paragraph 1 above shall be laid down in the articles of association.

ARTICLE 7: The following may be part of the staff of LANAVET:

- personnel recruited by LANAVET;
- civil servants on secondment;
- State employees governed by the Labour Code placed at the disposal of LANAVET;
- seasonal, casual and temporary staff whose recruitment, remuneration

and contract termination terms and conditions shall be laid down in the staff rules and regulations.

ARTICLE 8: Civil servants on secondment and State employees governed by the Labour Code placed at the disposal of LANAVET shall, throughout the period of their employment, be governed by labour legislation, subject to the provisions of the General Rules and Regulations Governing the Public Service and special regulations relating to retirement, advancement and end of secondment.

ARTICLE 9: (1) Civil servants on secondment and State employees governed by the Labour Code shall, regardless of their status or origin, be entirely financed by LANAVET.

(2) The financing referred to in paragraph 1 above shall concern the payment of salaries and salary incidentals, allowances, bonuses and other benefits provided by LANAVET.

ARTICLE 10: The resources of LANAVET shall comprise:

- its share capital;
- service delivery proceeds;
- proceeds of its own operations;
- any sale and rental proceeds;
- loans, holdings and investments;
- sundry contributions;
- resources from cooperation;
- gifts and legacies;
- any other resources that may be allocated to it under the regulations in force.

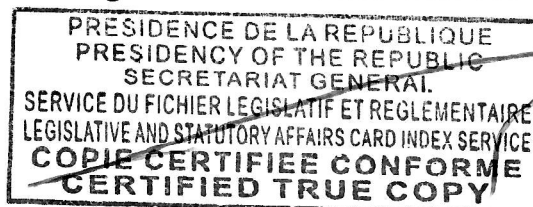
ARTICLE 11: The accounting system of LANAVET shall be that provided for by the OHADA Uniform Act Relating to Commercial Companies and Economic Interest Groups.

ARTICLE 12: (1) The property of LANAVET shall consist of movable and immovable property allocated by the State or acquired by LANAVET for the discharge its duties.

(2) Public property and national land assets as well as those from the private property of the State assigned for use to LANAVET, shall maintain their original status.

(3) Assets from the private property of the State transferred for ownership to LANAVET, shall be permanently incorporated into its property.

(4) Own assets of LANAVET shall be managed in accordance with ordinary law.



ARTICLE 13: (1) The Director-General of LANAVET shall be responsible for managing its property, under the direction of the Board of Directors.

(2) The property management referred to in paragraph 1 above shall concern asset acquisition and disposal.

ARTICLE 14: (1) LANAVET shall not be subject to the provisions of the Public Contracts Code. However, the Board of Directors shall ensure compliance with the rules of competition, equal treatment of bidders, transparency and fair pricing, in accordance with the OHADA Uniform Act Relating to Commercial Companies and Economic Interest Groups and the common provisions applicable to contracts awarded by public enterprises.

(2) A resolution of the Board of Directors shall specify the terms and conditions of the organization and functioning of the internal tenders board, appointment of its members and evaluation of bids.

ARTICLE 15: (1) The Articles of Association of LANAVET shall be approved by decree of the President of the Republic.

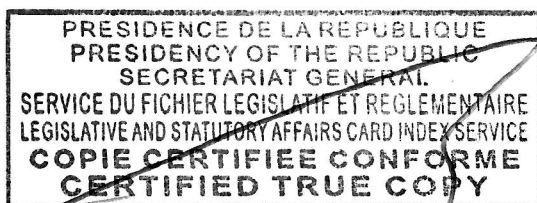
(2) Any amendment to the Articles of Association of LANAVET shall be subject to the same rules as those provided for their approval.

ARTICLE 16: (1) LANAVET shall be audited by one or several auditors.

(2) LANAVET shall be subject to audits conducted by the competent State organs in accordance with the laws and regulations in force.

ARTICLE 17: All previous provisions repugnant hereto, in particular those of Decree No. 90/1460 of 8 November 1990 to reorganize the National Veterinary Laboratory, are hereby repealed.

ARTICLE 18: This decree shall be registered, published according to the procedure of urgency and inserted in the Official Gazette in English and French.



Yaounde, 12 February 2021

