

**DECREE No. 26/0241/PM OF 6 FEB 2010**  
**to lay down conditions for the exercise of some powers transferred by the**  
**State to councils relating to the maintenance and management of Centres**  
**for Women’s Empowerment and the Family;**

**THE PRIME MINISTER, HEAD OF GOVERNMENT,**

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| Mindful | of | the Constitution;                                                                                                                                 |
| Mindful | of | Law No. 2004/017 of 22 July 2004 on the orientation of decentralization;                                                                          |
| Mindful | of | Law No. 2004/018 of 22 July 2004 to lay down rules applicable to councils;                                                                        |
| Mindful | of | Law No. 2009/011 of 10 July 2009 to lay down the financial regime of the Regional and Local Authorities;                                          |
| Mindful | of | Law No. 2009/006 of 15 December 2009 to lay down the Financial Law of the Republic of Cameroon for the fiscal year 2010;                          |
| Mindful | of | Decree No. 92/089 of 04 May 1992 to specify the duties of the Prime Minister, as amended and supplemented by Decree No.2007/145 of 4 August 1995; |
| Mindful | of | Decree No. 2000/001/PM of 04 January 2000 on the organization and functioning of Women’s Empowerment and the Family;                              |
| Mindful | of | Decree No. 2004/320 of 8 December 2004 to organize the Government, as amended and supplemented by Decree No.2007/268 of 7 September 2007;         |
| Mindful | of | Decree No. 2005/088 of 29 March 2005 to organize the Ministry of Women’s Empowerment and the Family;                                              |
| Mindful | of | Decree No. 2008/013 of 17 January 2008 to lay down the                                                                                            |

organization and functioning of the National Decentralization Council;

Mindful of Decree No. 2008/014 of 17 January 2008 to lay down the organization and functioning of the Inter-Ministerial Committee for Local Services;

Mindful of Decree No. 2009/222 of 30 June 2009 to appoint a Prime Minister, Head of Government,

## **HEREBY DECREES AS FOLLOWS:**

### **CHAPTER I**

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS:**

1. - This decree lays down the conditions for the exercise by councils, as from the 2010 financial year, the powers transferred by the State relating to the maintenance and management of Centres for Women's Empowerment and the Family.

2. – Councils shall exercise the powers transferred by the State relating to the maintenance and management of Centres for Women's Empowerment and the Family, without prejudice to the following State responsibilities and prerogatives:

- The designing and implementation of national policies on Women's Empowerment and the protection of the Family;
- The formulation of global objectives and orientations of national teaching and training programmes that facilitate the insertion of women in the administration, agriculture, trade and industry ;
- The determination of conditions for the creation, opening, functioning and control of Centres for Women's Empowerment and the Family;
- The recruitment and transfer of teaching personnel in charge of theoretical and practical training Centres for Women's Empowerment and the Family;

- The definition and control of standards for the construction, equipment and maintenance of Centres for Women's Empowerment and the Family;

**3.** – (1) The powers transferred by the State relating to the maintenance and management of Centres for Women's Empowerment and the Family shall be exercised by the councils within the strict respect of the laws and regulations in force.

(2) The execution of the related expenses shall respect the provisions of the Public Contracts Code.

## **CHAPTER II**

### **ON THE MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT OF CENTRES FOR WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT AND THE FAMILY**

**4.** – The council shall ensure the maintenance and management of Centres for Women's Empowerment and the Family by exercising the following activities :

- Care and maintenance of buildings, equipment and special halls;
- Provision of materials and supplies;
- The organization of feasts and ceremonies;
- The taking of necessary measures to ensure hygiene and sanitation within and around the said centres.

**5. -** (1) Within the framework of the management of Centres for Women's Empowerment and the Family, the council shall recruit and provide them with a support personnel whenever need arises.

(2) The support personnel shall comprise all the personnel charged with the execution of routine tasks that are not within the realm of the teaching corps.

(3) The Council shall be responsible for the salaries of the support personnel.

(4) It shall equally participate in the deliberations of the Management Boards of Centres for Women's Empowerment and the Family within its territorial jurisdiction.

### **CHAPTER III**

#### **ON THE TRANSFER OF RESOURCES**

**6. –** The transfer of powers by the State relating to the maintenance and management of Centres for Women's Empowerment and the Family shall be accompanied by the concomitant transfer of resources necessary for their normal exercise by the councils.

**7. -** The Finance law of the State shall, each year, provide for the resources necessary for the exercise of the powers transferred to councils relating to the maintenance and management of Centres for Women's Empowerment and the Family.

**8. –** Besides the resources transferred by the State, the council may benefit from the support of partners for the exercise of the powers transferred

relating to the maintenance and management of Centres for Women's Empowerment and the Family.

9. – (1) The financial resources transferred by the State shall exclusively reserved for the exercise of the corresponding powers.

(2) The said resources shall be recorded in the council budget.

(3) Their management shall respect the budgetary and accounting principles in force.

#### **CHAPTER IV**

#### **MISCELLANEOUS AND FINAL PROVISIONS**

10. – (1) The terms and technical conditions for the exercise of the powers transferred by the State relating to the maintenance and management of Centres for Women's Empowerment and the Family, as well as the use of the corresponding resources shall be spelt out in the duty specifications prepared by the Minister in charge of Women's Empowerment and the Family.

11. - The State shall ensure the monitoring, control and evaluation of the exercise of the powers transferred to councils relating to the maintenance and management of Centres for Women's Empowerment and the Family.

12. - (1) The council and the competent deconcentrated services of the State shall prepare a six monthly report on the state of implementation of the powers transferred relating to the maintenance and management of Centres for Women's Empowerment and the Family.

(2) The said report shall be addressed to the Minister in-charge of Women's Empowerment and the Family.

**13.** –The Minister in-charge of Decentralization and the Minister in-charge of Women’s Empowerment and the Family shall, each in its own sphere, be charged with the implementation of this Decree which shall be registered, published according to the procedure of urgency and inserted in the Official Gazette in English and French./ - /-

Yaounde, 26 February 2010

**YANG Philemon**  
**PRIME MINISTER,**  
**HEAD OF GOVERNMENT**