c.   Ensure that national military, police, and customs officials and all other security agencies and customs administration training programs include sessions on the ECOWAS Moratorium on small arms and light weapons, as well as instructions regarding identification of behaviours which constitute an infraction of the ECOWAS Moratorium.

(iii)   Peacekeeping Duty

RESOLVE, with assistance from the international community, to keep duty tours of ECOWAS peacekeepers to a reasonable length, in keeping with UN Standards.

(iv)   Institutionalizing Child Protection within ECOWAS

ESTABLISH an office within ECOWAS for the protection of War-Affected Children in the region and agree to remain actively seized of the matter,

a.   Establish within the ECOWAS Secretariat, a Desk or focal point dedicated to the protection of war-affected children which deals with emergency assistance, humanitarian and human rights issues, including early warning capacity and adequate vocational training. This Desk or focal point should draw on expertise and growing knowledge base housed in the Programme for Assistance and Coordination for Security and Development (PCASED) to ensure that the impact of arms proliferation on war-affected children is addressed;

b.   In so doing, build ECOWAS capacity to monitor the implementation of, and adherence to, international instruments on the rights of the child, and to monitor contraventions of the provisions of these conventions;

c.   Institute ECOWAS measures against states, groups or individuals which use child soldiers or which assist in the use of child soldiers;

d.   Obtain the support and collaboration for such measures from the international community.

(v)   West African Week of Truce for War-Affected Children

AGREE to institute, in solidarity with any country in a conflict situation, an annual "West African Week of Truce for War-Affected Children" in all ECOWAS Member States, to coincide with the Day of the African Child (June 16), to raise public awareness about the plight of war-affected children in the region,