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DECISIONS OF CAF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON 21.02.2014

The CAF Executive committee under the leadership of CAF President, Issa Hayatou, held a meeting on Friday, 21 February at the CAF Headquarters in Cairo, Egypt from 14h30 to 18h00 local time.

Herewith the decisions that were made;

Inspection Committee for bid countries for CAN 2019 and 2021

The CAF Executive Committee approved a five-member committee of experts to inspect the six candidates for the 2019 and/or 2021 Africa Cup of Nations. They are:

1. Amadou Diakite (Mali) – CAF Executive Committee member
2. Adoum Djibrine (Chad) – CAF Executive Committee member
3. Walter Gagg (Switzerland) - FIFA expert
4. Paul Bassey (Nigeria) - CAF expert
5. Amr Fahmy (CAF) - Tournament Director of Africa Cup of Nations

The group of experts will be in Cote d'Ivoire and Guinea in April, Algeria and Cameroon in May, then finally DR Congo and Zambia in July 2014.

The voting to select the host countries for the 2019 & 2021 Africa Cup of Nations will be conducted during the meeting of the CAF Executive Committee in September 2014.

Report of Orange CHAN South Africa 2014

The CAF Executive Committee thanked His Excellency Jacob Zuma, President of the Republic of South Africa and his Government, the Local Organising Committee and the South Africa Football Association (SAFA) for the excellent organization of the tournament, which served a rendezvous of African football.

On behalf of the family of Mr. Nelson Mandela, President of the Local Organizing Committee and the President of the Federation of South African Football Association (SAFA) also thanked the President of CAF and its Executive Committee for tribute paid to Mr. Nelson Mandela during each match of the tournament, as well as the visit to his family with the President of FIFA, Joseph Sepp Blatter.

CHAN 2018 hosting rights to Kenya

The CAF Executive Committee has designated Kenya as host of the 2018 African Nations Championship (CHAN), following receipt of necessary government guarantees and complete dossier including the required infrastructure and security.

Dates for the Preliminary Phase of the Orange CAN Morocco 2015

The final tournament will be held from January 17 to February 7, 2015 in the cities of Rabat, Agadir, Tangier and Marrakech.

As a reminder, 51 countries are involved in the qualifiers. The top 21 according to the CAF rankings (Appendix 1) will start from the group stage. The other seven teams for the group phase will be known after the preliminary rounds.

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Preliminary phase

The three rounds of the preliminary phase are as follows;

First Round: 4 teams (lowest ranked) engage in two legs with winner advancing to Second Round.

Dates: First leg: 11,12,13 April 2014

Second leg: 18,19,20 April 2014

The draw for the First Round conducted by the CAF Executive Committee are;

Mauritania vs Mauritius (First leg in Mauritania)

Eritrea vs South Sudan (First leg in Eritrea)

Second Round: 2 qualified teams from the First Round + 26 teams to engage in two legs, with 14 teams advancing to the Third Round.

Dates: First leg: 16,17,18 May 2014

Second leg: 30,31 May to 1 June 2014

Third Round: 14 qualified teams to engage in two legs with seven teams advancing to the group stage in Pot A.

Dates: First leg: 18,19,20 July 2014

Second leg: 1,2,3 August 2014

Group phase

Dates for group phase matches

Day 1: 5,6 September 2014

Day 2: 10 September 2014

Day 3: 10,11 October 2014

Day 4: 15 October 2014

Day 5: 14,15 November 2014

Day 6: 19 November 2014

The draw for the knockout stages (Second Round & Third Round) and the group stage will be held on Sunday, 27 April 2014 in Cairo, Egypt.

The top two teams from each group will automatically qualify for the Orange CAN, Morocco 2015 and the best third-place team of the seven groups. In case of equality between two teams in contention for the best third-place spot, a play-off will be played in Morocco.

Review of CAF Competitions regulations

The CAF Executive Committee agreed on the need to protect CAF against the piracy of television by adding the following clause in the rules of each CAF competition:

"The National Associations are required to ensure compliance with the contractual obligations of CAF on TV and marketing rights. In case of non-compliance by the National Association, or fraudulent broadcast of TV signal, the team shall be excluded from the competition and will be suspended for the next edition."

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The above clause takes effect immediately for each CAF competition.

Call for support for five (5) African teams qualified for the FIFA World Cup Brazil 2014

The CAF Executive Committee welcomed the report on the meeting held in Cairo 21 February 2014 between CAF and representatives of the five African teams qualified for the 2014 World Cup in Brazil: Algeria, Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana and Nigeria.

During this meeting, CAF has decided to make available to the five (5) teams usage of the CAF Centre of Excellence in Mbankomo, Cameroon for preparations, with CAF covering the cost of the teams' stay.

In addition, a group of media experts selected by the CAF Media Director and Media Officers of the five (5) qualified teams will be put in place to provide exclusive report and information of the teams for African football fans.

Representatives of the five African teams qualified for the 2014 FIFA World Cup thanked the CAF President for the platform offered to exchange important informations and facilitate better preparations for their respective teams.

After the meeting in Cairo, CAF launched the call for Unity and Support of the five (5) teams; Algeria, Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana and Nigeria whilst encouraging them on the need for adequate preparation to go farthest in the competition.

ANNEXE 1 - CLASSIFICATION FOR THE DESIGNATION OF THE SEEDED TEAMS FOR THE QUALIFIERS OF AFCON 2015

	Country	CAN 2013	Q CAN 2013	CAN 2012	Q CAN 2012	CAN 2010	WC 2014	Total
1	Nigeria	24	3		1.5	4	7	39.5
2	Ghana	12	3	8	2	6	7	38
3	CIV	9	3	12	2	3	7	36
4	Zambia	6	3	16	2	3	3	33
5	Burkina	18	3	2	2	2	5	32
6	Mali	12	3	8	2	2	3	30
7	Tunisia	6	3	6	1.5	1	5	22.5
	Morocco	6	3	4	2		3	18
8	Algeria	3	3		1	4	7	18
9	Angola	3	3	4	2	3	2	17
10	Cap Verde	9	3		1.5		3	16.5
11	Togo	9	3		0.5	1	1	14.5
12	Egypt		1		0.5	8	5	14.5
13	South Africa	9	0		1.5		3	13.5
14	Cameroon		2		1.5	3	7	13.5

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15	RDC	6	3		1		2	12
16	Ethiopia	3	3		1		5	12
17	Gabon		2	6		2	2	12
18	Niger	3	3	2	2		1	11
19	Guinea		2	4	2		3	11
20	Senegal		2	2	2		5	11
21	Sudan		2	6	1.5		1	10.5
22	Libya*		2	4	1.5		3	10.5
23	Eq. Guinea		2	6			1	9
24	Botswana		2	2	2		2	8
25	Malawi		2		1	1	3	7
26	Uganda		2		1.5		3	6.5
27	Mozambique		2		1	1	2	6
28	Benin		1		0.5	2	2	5.5
29	S. Leone		2		1		2	5
30	Congo		1		1		3	5
31	RCA		2		1.5		1	4.5
32	Zimbabwe		2		1		1	4
33	Kenya		1		1		2	4
34	Liberia		2		0.5		1	3.5
35	Gambia		1		1.5		1	3.5
36	Rwanda		1		1.5		1	3.5
37	Tanzania		1		0.5		2	3.5
38	Namibia		1		1		1	3
39	Burundi		1		1			2
40	Lesotho						2	2
41	G. Bissau		1		0.5			1.5
42	Madagascar		1		0.5			1.5
43	Chad		1					1
44	Sao tome		1					1
45	Seychelles		1					1
46	Comoros				0.5			0.5
47	Swaziland				0.5			0.5
48	Mauritius**				0.5			0.5
49	Eritrea							0
50	Mauritania							0
51	South Sudan							0

* Sudan scored a higher number of points during the AFCON 2012 (6) than Libya (4)

**Mauritius (0 point, -20 goal average) has the lowest position in relation to Comoros (1 point, -12 goal average) and Swaziland (0 point, -12 goal average) during the qualifiers of AFCON 2012 (these 3 teams did not play at the AFCON 2013 qualifiers)