

## **RESOLUTIONS 1<sup>st</sup> AGM 2019**

### **INTRODUCTION**

The 1<sup>st</sup> AGM of the Association was held at the Federal Palace Hotel on the 27 and 28<sup>th</sup> of March 2019.

### **GOOD WILL MESSAGES RECEIVED**

- 1. Mr Juvenal J M Shiundu Acting Director, Technical Co-Operation Division , International Maritime Organisation**
- 2. President Afrexim Bank HE B Oramah**
- 3. HE Humphrey D Igeiseb Nambian High Commissioner to the Federal Republic of Nigeria**
- 4. HE Solomon Kasasira Uganda High Commissioner to the Federal Republic of Nigeria**
- 5. Director General Nigeria Maritime Administration and Safety Agency Dr Dakuku Peterside.**

### **RESOLUTIONS :**

#### **1. Mission**

The Mission Statement will be expanded to include Association support of the African Intra Trade drive and Shippers Council laudable goals in the protection of cargo interest in Africa.

#### **2. Constitution**

An amended constitution will be approved by the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of April. This will be circulated to members and the Seychelles Government.

#### **3. Membership**

Will be enlarged to include the entire logistics chain of the Maritime Industry; Various Categories of Membership should be created. All delegates at the 1<sup>st</sup> AGM were adopted as members.

#### **4. Executives**

A second Vice President was appointed. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Mr Conrad Benoiton.

Mr Amegnido Gato of TOGO will be approached again to confirm his willingness to be a part of the executives.

#### **5. Funding**

Secretariat was mandated to come up with a budget for immediate consideration. The Seychelles Government initiative to obtain funding for building of the Association headquarters building and take off grant was acknowledged and appreciated. The Secretary General will work with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President on this.

#### **6. Maritime Unit of the African Union**

The Association appreciated this opportunity to work with the African Union and resolved that the Secretary General and one other should proceed to Ethiopia. A budget should be prepared for urgent consideration. Agenda for the maritime transportation in Africa should be put together under the Chairmanship of Ghana Shippers Authority supported by empirical data.

#### **7. Africa Shipping Line**

The Association approved the registration of an African Shipping Line, as proposed under the African Maritime Transport Charter and subsequent legislations of the African Union.

The Association will promote the idea of National Fleet of Vessels, and a Pan African Fleet of Vessels. This will have great economic impact in the African Continent and will be a key driver of the Intra African Trade Agenda. Under the Chair of Ms Chisa Uba extensive engagement will be done. It was agreed that it will be a private sector driven initiative.

The Association will approach the AFREXIM Bank and the Economic Commission of Africa to request for collaboration with them on this . It was agreed that it is a concept that the Association will support and drive by way of a subsidiary. It was recognised that there is a need for further advocacy of various member states in Africa.

#### **8. Africa @Nor Shipping 2019**

The association encourages all member to attend the event, especially as the Association is a co-organiser and will have an exhibition booth. The Seychelles Government initiative to request the Norwegian Government support for the Association was appreciated.

#### **9. Investors Forum Seychelles September 2019**

This was approved but subject to a final decision after NOR 2019. The Seypec financial support of \$70,000 was appreciated by the Association.

#### **10. Africa Trade Fair 2020**

The Association expressed its appreciation to the organisers of the maiden edition of the Fair especially the booth given to the Association. The Association will request the organisers to consider partnering with them in organising the Kigali 2020 Trade Fair.

#### **11. Strategic Alliances**

The Association appreciated existing alliances that have been forged and resolved to build on them. The Association will initiate others as one of the key drivers to achieve its objectives.

#### **12. AFRICAN SHIOWNERS AND ASSOCIATIONS**

Will be engaged on the Associations objective and with a view to synergy of efforts

#### **13. INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ORGANSIATION**

The association resolved to send the SG an appreciation letter. The Association appreciates the goodwill message, and resolved to approach the African Division of the IMO for support in the development of an African Fleet.

#### **14. NEXT AGM**

Namibia March 25<sup>th</sup> -26<sup>th</sup> 2020