

## INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

*Aims.* To promote balanced development of the States of the Union and to achieve West African economic integration.

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