

Order No. 1489 / MECIT of June 16, 2010

Ban on import and marketing of non-recyclable plastic bags in the Gabonese Republic

The Minister of Economy, Business, Industry and tourism,

In view of the Constitution,

Given the law n ° 16/93 of the 26th, August 1993 concerning the protection and improvement of the environment

Given Ordinance No. 10/89 of 28<sup>th</sup> September 1989, concerning regulation of commercial, industrial and artisanal activity in the Republic of Gabon

Having regard to Decree No. 804 / PR of 19 October 2009 setting the composition of the government, including subsequent modifying texts; Having regard to Decree No. 1574 / PR / Mlcioc from September 1985 concerning characteristics of the organization of the Ministry of Commerce and Consumption

Having regard to Decree No. 766 / PR / MICOIN of 1 June 1983 concerning regulation of trade in the Republic of Gabon,

Having regard to Decree No. 772 / PR / MCIRS / MFBp d 1994 amending Decree No. 766 / PR / MIC ~ I August 23 June 1983 regulating trade in the Republic of Gabon,

Considering the judgment n ° 86 / MCDI of June 2, 1999 amendment to Order No. 12 / MCIPMEAR ~~~  
ant 19 January 1996 concerning the regulation of the control of activities related to the Ministry responsible for commerce and consumption,

Having regard to the Decree 0627 / PR / M! N ~ I of 12 May 19s 4 of the Minister's Office and Organization trade and industry,

Given the need for service,

Decreed:

Article 1. - The present decree concerns the prohibition of importing and marketing of non-recyclable plastic bags in Gabon.

Article 2. - Non-recyclable plastic bags present on the national territory must be imperatively and immediately removed from the production cycle or points of sale at later June 30, 2010.

Article 3. - Merchants and other operators are invited to respect scrupulously the present measures of preservation of environment and protection of populations, under threat of serious sanctions in accordance to the laws and regulations in force.

Article 4. - Consumers and consumer associations are invited to inform the government of all facts or information related to the subject-matter of this decree.

Article 5 - In application of the provisions of the article mentioned above, monitoring and inspections will be conducted in the country by the agents of the trade and services department and of the responsible provincial agencies

Article 6 .- The Director General of Commerce, the Director General of Customs, and the Director General of the Environment, will each be responsible for compliance with this Decree, which shall take effect on the date of signature, will be registered and published in the Official Journal of the Republic of Gabon.

- June 15, 201\_0

Done at Brussels. Ngarnb1a

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