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## Updates on Global and Regional Initiatives & Linkages with CFS

### **West Africa Charter for Food Crises Prevention and Management**

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## Background

### The Permanent inter-states Committee for Drought Control in the Sahel

1. **Creation: September 1973**
2. **Member Countries:** Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Chad, Gambia, Guinea Bissau, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal
3. **Mission / Mandate:**
  - Food Security, Drought & Desertification control
  - Policy Formulation & Coordination
3. **Majors Achievements:**
  - A regional information system on food security
  - National policies and mechanisms to prevent and manage food crises

- 1). In 1984, Joint CILSS-SWAC/OECD facilitation: Creation of the Food Crises Prevention Network (RPCA)
- 2). Adoption of the Food Aid Charter in 1990: ***To minimize the adverse effects of food aid!!!***
- 3). The World Changes and the Charter Adapts: A revision process under the aegis of ECOWAS:
  - ❑ 2007-09: Inclusive and Participative Reflection
  - ❑ 2010-11: National & International Dialogue
  - ❑ October 2011: Adoption (17 Countries)



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