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FORWARD BY WAFU ZONE A PRESIDENT



AUGUSTIN SENGHOR
PRESIDENT DE L'UFOA ZONE A

After a first edition of the WAFU (West African Football Union) Nations Cup held successfully in Ghana in 2017, the second edition organized in the city of Thiès in Senegal was a success story. This success was partly due to the unwavering commitment of the local organizing committee that I had the honor to lead, but also the Senegalese authorities and the population of Thiès who took ownership of the event.

The tournament sponsored by ESPN (formerly FOX Sports) brought together the 16 countries from WAFU zone A and B. It allowed millions of viewers and Internet users to watch live or streaming the 22 top level matches thanks to the genius from the FOX Sports television channel, holder of the broadcasting rights for this competition.

WAFU has for a very long time found it difficult to carry out its football development programs because of the lack of means. This is why we welcome the initiative of our partner ESPN who has not spared the means by endowing each zone with an annual amount of two million US dollars. This sum will greatly contribute to the development of our football by facilitating the organization of competitions in all categories, including women's football.



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A new era has therefore opened today for West African football with a sponsor of this caliber who will certainly offer good visibility to the immense effort made by the various member associations for the emergence of our football.

With regards to the success of the second edition of the WAFU Nations Cup organized by Senegal, we hope that the 3rd edition to be held in Nigeria in 2021 will be such a great success for the happiness of football passionate actors.





COL . MAJOR DJIBRILLA HIMA HAMIDOU

From September 28th to October 13th , 2019, Lat-Dior stadium in Thiès was the venue for a great communion between the representatives from the 16 countries participating in the 6th Edition of the senior men WAFU Cup of Nations organized by West African Football Union ,the 2nd Edition organized in partnership with FOX.

After the success of GHANA 2017 Edition held at cape coast, born from our partnership with the American channel FOX Sports: holder of the retransmission rights of this competition, we all worked together so that the Senegalese event lived up to our hopes and ambitions.

In the constant search for opportunities to develop our football and provide a framework for the development of our young people, the two zonal unions WAFU (A and B) created this competition in collaboration with FOX, with the ambition to invest in the infrastructures, the education and the development of West African football, through an injection of capital distributed to the 16 countries for a period of 12 years. In the end we hope for a good quality of football in our geographic space to become the locomotive of African football through the consolidation of our achievements and the opening towards new development issues .

Our partner supports us in this ambition by offering us in particular an important audio-visual platform for better visibility and promotion.

This is an opportunity for me to thank FOX for its involvement at our side, in this noble ambition through a 'win-win' partnership. At each end of the competition we will take stock in order to draw the main lessons that will allow us to improve all organizational and technical aspects. It is up to us (national federations, UFOA A and B, FOX) more than ever, to work together to perpetuate this competition and make it essential and even international.

I would like to congratulate 'the lions' of Senegal, winner of the <<cup>> trophy against ' the black stars ' of Ghana and the 'syli National' 'of Guinea who won the <<plate>> tournament in front of the 'blue sharks' of Cape Verde.

The other 12 Nations are far from being disappointing . they are to be encouraged. All behaved valiantly, to do honor to their colors;.

All our gratitude also goes to the government and people of Senegal for allowing us to enjoy their legendary TERANGA throughout our stay.

Beyond this tournament and in accordance with our ambitions which meet the expectations of millions of fans in our space, we strive to continue the work of promotion and development of our football through all its components ,in good place obviously, the youth , the women and the clubs.

Together, we will succeed in magnifying and bringing to the firmament the incredible talents that our area abounds with. This with the invaluable help of our governing institutions, CAF and FIFA, and in partnership with our sponsors.

We are already looking forward to the next edition with even more spectacle and more and more emotions, as only our common passion for football can generate.



**FOREWORD BY THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY
EMEA SPORT SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT**



Frank Rutten

The Walt Disney Company Africa officially welcomes all 16 participating West African Nations to the second edition of the WAFU Cup of Nations 2019, hosted in Thiès, Senegal. We are confident that we will continue on the successes from Ghana 2017 and create the standout regional football tournament in Africa.

The final of the 2017 WAFU Cup of Nations saw hosts defeat Nigeria in a thrilling final, which saw more than 125 million fans tuning in. In 2019, there will be much to play for as hosts Senegal look to replicate the success of host nations in the tournament. Let the 2019 WAFU Cup of Nations be a continued example of how we want to build future events that will bring joy to fans around the world.

Once again, I would like to personally thank the President of the Senegalese Football Federation and WAFU Zone A, Augustine Senghor, President of the Niger Football Federation and WAFU Zone B, Colonel Djibrilla Hima Hamidou, as well as the local organizing committee and the people of Senegal for organizing this remarkable event.

I have no doubt that the next 2 weeks of will highlight the incredible football talent West Africa has to offer. Best of luck to all the teams and enjoy the spectacle



II. TEAMS

1. SENEGAL



2. GHANA



3. GUINEA



4. CAPE VERDE



5. GAMBIA



6. COTE D'IVOIRE



7. LIBERIA



8. MALI



**WAFU A GENERAL SECRETARY
JAMMEH BOJANG (GAMBIA)**

After the 2017 tournament which was hosted in Ghana, it was announced that Nigeria will host the second edition of the regional tournament.

Senegal has been designated as the new host country.

The 16 WAFU countries are distributed between the western zone A (Cape Verde, Gambia, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Sierra Leone, Senegal) and the western zone B (Benin, Burkina Faso, Niger, Nigeria, Togo, Ivory Coast and Ghana).

The tournament, which will last two (2) weeks, will see Senegal return to international competition, after the organization of small categories. Nigeria slated for 2021 organization

II. TEAMS

9. SIERRA LEONE



10. NIGERIA



11. MAURITANIA



12. TOGO



13. BENIN



14. BURKINA FASO



15. NIGER



16. GUINEA BISSAU



**WAFU B GENERAL SECRETARY
AKA MALAN (COTE D'IVOIRE)**



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1.SENEGAL



1.FORMATION : 1-4-3-3



2.COACH

-SERIGNE SALIOU DIA

3.GAMES

MATCH No 22 GHANA VS SENEGAL (1:1)PK 1-3 date:
13/10/2019 6.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

MATCH No 20 SENEGAL vs. MALI (2:0) date:
09/10/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

MATCH no 10 SENEGAL vs. BENIN (1:0) date: 03/09/
2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

MATCH No 01 SENEGAL vs. GUINEE BISSAU (3:1)
date: 28/09/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

4.CAPTAIN

-PAPE SEYDOU NDIAYE



2. GHANA



1. FORMATION : 1-4-1-4-1



2. COACH

MAXWELL KONADOU

3. GAMES

MATCH No 22 **GHANA** VS **SENEGAL** (1:1)PK 1-3 date: 13/10/2019 6.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

MATCH no 18 **GHANA** vs **COTE D'IVOIRE** (3:1) date: 08/10/ 2019 8.00pm STADE LAT D

MATCH No12 **BURKINA FASO** vs. **GHANA** (1:1) PK 4-5 date: 04/09/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT D.

MATCH No 7 **GHANA** vs. **GAMABIA** (1:0) date: 01 /10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

4. CAPTAIN

-SHAFIU MUMUNI





3. GUINEA



1. FORMATION : 1-4-3-3



2. COACH

- MOUHAMED KANFORY

3. GAMES

MATCH No 21 CAPE VERDE VS GUINEA (0:0) PK 3-4

date: 12/10/2019 6.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

Match no 19 GUINEA vs. LIBERIA (1:0.) date:

09/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

MATCH No 09 GUINEE BISSAU vs. GUINEE CONAKRY

(0:2) date: 03/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

MATCH No 8 GUINEA vs. BENIN (1:2) date: 01/10/2019

8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

4. CAPTAIN

- JEAN MOUSTE



4. CAPE VERDE



1. FORMATION : 1-4-3-3



2. COACH

- JANITO CARVALHO

3. PLATE FINAL LOOSER GAMES

MATCH No 21 **CAPE VERDE** VS GUINEA (0:0) PK 3-4
date: 12/10/2019 6.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

MATCH No 17 **GAMBIA** vs. **CAPE VERDE** (0:1) date:
08/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

MATCH No 13 **NIGERIA** vs. **CAPE VERDE** (1:1)PK 2-3
date: 05/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

MATCH No 6 **COTE D'IVOIRE** vs. **CAP VERT** (3:1) date:
11/12/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

4. CAPTAIN

- JAIR GARCIA



5. GAMBIA



1. FORMATION : 1-4-3-3



2. COACH

- OMAR CEESAY

3. GAMES PLAYED

MATCH No 17 GAMBIA vs. CAPE VERDE (0:1) date: 08/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

Match no 11 MAURITANIA vs. GAMBIA (0:0)PK 2-4 date: 04/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

MATCH No 7 GHANA vs. GAMABIA (1:0) date: 01 /10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

4. CAPTAIN

-EBRIMA SIDIBEH



6. COTE D'IVOIRE



Ghana vs Côte d'Ivoire

1. FORMATION : 1- 3-4-3



2. COACH

- GOUAMENE MAXIME

3. GAME PLAYED

MATCH no 18 GHANA vs COTE D'IVOIRE (3:1) date:
08/10/ 2019 8.00pm STADE LAT D

MATCH no 14 TOGO vs COTE D'IVOIRE (0:0) PK 2-4
date: 05/09/ 2019 8.00pm STADE LAT D

MATCH No 6 COTE D'IVOIRE vs. CAP VERT (3:1) date:
11/12/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

4. CAPTAIN - PONEY ANGE





7. LIBERIA



1. FORMATION : 1-4-3-3



2. COACH

- ROBERT NYENEKON LARTEY

3. GAMES PLAYED

Match no 19 GUINEA vs. **LIBERIA** (1:0.) date:
09/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

Match no 15 **LIBERIA** vs. NIGER (1:0.) date:
06/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

MATCH No 4 SIERRA LEONE vs. **LIBERIA** (1:0) date:
29/09/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

4. CAPTAIN

-TERRY PANYE
SACKOR





8. MALI



1. FORMATION : 1-4-3-3



2. COACH

- DIANE NOUHOUM

3. GAMES PLAYED

MATCH No 20 SENEGAL vs. MALI (2:0) date:
09/10/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

MATCH No 16 SIERRA LEONE vs. MALI (0:1) date:
06/09/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

MATCH No 5 MALI vs. NIGER (4:1) date: 30 /09/2019
5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

4. CAPTAIN

-SY CHEICK ABDOUL





9. SIERRA LEONE



1. FORMATION : 1-4-4-2



2. COACH

- SELLAS TETTEH TEIVI

3. GAMES PLAYED

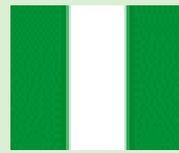
MATCH No 16 SIERRA LEONNE vs. MALI (0;1.) date:
06/09/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

MATCH No 4 SIERRA LEONE vs. LIBERIA (1:0) date:
29/09/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

4. CAPTAIN

- ALIE MORIE





10. NIGERIA



1. FORMATION : 1-4-3-3



2. COACH

- IMAMA KWAKU AMAPAKABO

3. GAMES PLAYED

MATCH No 13 NIGERIA vs. CAPE VERDE (1:1)PK 2-3
date: 05/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

Match no 03 NIGERIA vs. TOGO (1:2) date: 29/09/2019
5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

4. CAPTAIN

- NDAH OLISA HAROLD



12. MAURITANIA



1. FORMATION : 1-4-1-4-1



2. COACH

- MOUSTAPHA SALL

3. GAMES PLAYED

Match no 11 MAURITANIA vs. GAMBIA (0:0)PK 2-4
date: 04/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

MATCH no 02 BURKINA FASO vs. MAURITANIA (1:1)
date: 28/09/ 2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

4. CAPTAIN

- MOHAMED SIDI





12. TOGO



1. FORMATION : 1-4-3-3



2. COACH

- ABALO JEAN PAUL

3. GAMES PLAYED

MATCH no 14 **TOGO** vs COTE D'IVOIRE (0:0) PK 2-4
date: 05/09/ 2019 8.00pm STADE LAT D

Match no 03 NIGERIA vs. **TOGO** (1:2) date: 29/09/2019
5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

4. CAPTAIN

-GNAMA AKATE





13. BENIN



1. FORMATION : 1-4-3-3



2. COACH

- MOUSSA LATOUNDI

3. GAMES PLAYED

MATCH no 10 SENEGAL vs. **BENIN** (1:0) date: 03/09/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

date: 01/10/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIMATCH No 8
GUINEA vs. **BENIN** (1:2) Stade lat Dior

4. CAPTAIN

-NABIL A YAROU



14. BURKINA FASO



1. FORMATION : 1-4-3-3



2. COACH

- ZERBO SAIDOU

3. GAMES PLAYED

MATCH No12 BURKINA FASO vs. GHANA (1:1) PK 4-5
date: 04/09/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT D.

MATCH no 02 BURKINA FASO vs. MAURITANIA (1:1)
date: 28/09/ 2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

4. CAPTAIN

- SAWADOGO B
. ABOUBACAR



15. NIGER



1. FORMATION : 1-4-3-3



2. COACH

- DOULA GABDE HAROUNA

3. GAMES PLAYED

Match no 15 LIBERIA vs. **NIGER** (1.:0). date:
06/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

MATCH No 5 MALI vs. **NIGER** (4:1) date: 30 /09/2019
5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

4. CAPTAIN

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16. GUINEA BISSAU



1. FORMATION : 1-4-3-3



2. COACH

- EMILIONO TE

3. GAMES PLAYED

MATCH No 09 GUINEE BISSAU vs. GUINEE CONAKRY
(0:2) date: 03/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

MATCH No 01 SENEGAL vs. GUINEE BISSAU (3:1)
date: 28/09/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

4. CAPTAIN

- JOAO MENDES VAZ



III: RESULT OF THE DRAW



FIRST RESULT

UPDATED RESULT DUE TO MOROCCO WITHDRAWAL



MATCH N°	MATCH
M1	SENÉGAL VS GUINÉE BISSAU
M2	BURKINA FASO VS MAURITANIE
M3	NIGERIA VS TOGO
M4	SIERRA LEONE VS LIBERIA
M5	MALI VS NIGER
M6	COTE D'IVOIRE VS CAP VERT
M7	GHANA VS GAMBIE
M8	GUINÉE VS BENIN

IV. STORY OF THE KNOCKOUT ORIENTATION ROUND



SIR NGOME PAPE TOURNAMENT PROTOCOL CHAIRMAN

SERGE BAILLY

THIES, Senegal -- Hosts Senegal will square off with holders Ghana at Stade Lot Dior in Thies on Sunday, in the first final of the new-look WAFU Cup of Nations.

It's a clash that should be a delight for neutrals, with the finalists having been the top two seeded sides ahead of the draw, and being among the most eye-catching teams going forward during the two-week regional West African showpiece.

The Revised WAFU CUP OF NATIONS FORMAT means that no side is eliminated after the first round matches, with the losers dropping into the newly conceived Plate competition ensuring that all 16 competing nations have the chance to play at least two matches.

By the end of the said competition, the winner, in addition to the trophy, will receive an envelope of 100,000 U.S. dollars. The tournament, organized by the West African Football Union (WAFU), was revived through a partnership between the two CAF West A and B zones and the national multinational Fox News & ESPN





MATCH No 01 SENEGAL vs. GUINEE BISSAU (3:1)
date: 28/09/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

BAILLY SERGE

The Game Senegal vs Guinea Bissau started with a basic 4-3-3 formation Presented by both teams. From the start of the match there was a steady Senegalese domination with a physical impact. This domination on the game will be materialized by the opening of the score at the 7mn by Djibril Gueye

Further more Senegal created more chances to score, this was illustrated by the second goal scored at 30' after the destruction of Guinee Bissau the right flank. At the 40 MN Guinea Bissau reduces the score 2-1 following a physical decline of Senegal at the end of the half-time

In the second period , the Guinea Bissau team, who had finished the first period , lost their football which benefited Senegal led by the players trio composed of el Hadj Balde, Djibril Gueye and Assan Mbodj, who asserted his total domination by registering another goal at 86 MN by a certain Abdoulaye Ba bearer of the prestigious number 10 of the King Pelé. It is therefore on this score of 3-1 that Senegal beats Guinea Bissau and qualified for the CUP while guinea Bissau goes for the PLATE according the the competition format



MATCH no 02 BURKINA FASO vs. MAURITANIA (1:1)
date: 28/09/ 2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR
BURKINA FASO 4-3 PK WIN AGAINST MAURITANIA

BAILLY SERGE

For this second knockout match ended on a draw of one goal everywhere Burkina Faso resorted to penalty kicks to win Mauritania 4-3 and to secure a qualification for the cup ; competition dedicated to winners for this WAFU Cup of Nations

It was a poor match in goal 1:1 but we enjoyed a good level of football. Technically there was less waste . As far as the tactical duel are concerned We saw two formations under the coaches directives trying to find Both offensive and defensive solutions. The first goal was the work of DENE MOHAMED TAGHY n ° 17 of Mauritania on a free kick obtained after a well-developed Offensive Animation. Burkina Faso will continue to push to make the opponent doubt that goes to the 93 MN to bend and concede the equalizer .the goal of Burkina was scored by POGNONGA W.YANNICK N ° 9. So it was a pleasant match that kept its promises .We eye witnessed a victory of Burkina Faso synonymous with qualification for the cup





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**Match no 03 NIGERIA vs. TOGO (1:2) date:
29/09/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR**

Bailly Serge

Both teams had a 4.3.3 formation set at the start with a direct play in the first 15 minutes of the match, which often led to an immediate search for the attackers on either side. Togo in its defensive organization put 2 lines of 4 a median block, so there was a better defensive organization of Togolese and the transitions attack-defense were sharp and fast, Nigeria with good offensive animation is rewarded by equalizing in the 30th MN, but defensively it often had difficulties to put his defensive bloc in place.

Togo takes advantage and inscribes two goals in the 17th MN and 56th MN. It was a rather pleasant match, both teams had strong arguments to win but Togo who enjoyed a better defensive organization made the difference by his individuals

Such as GNAMA AKATE n019 ,THADENOU FARIDE n08 and Sewonou K .R EDEN n03

**MATCH No 4 SIERRA LEONE vs. LIBERIA (1:0)
date: 29/09/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR**



In this first English-speaking teams clash , we were unsatisfied to the extent that the game produced by these two teams was very poor in remarkable actions. there was sometimes a semblance of play building up on the sierra leone side which was more involved in-depth play.

Technically the athletes showed a certain limit in controlling the ball, the satisfaction was at the tactical level where both teams were in good spirits with a very flexible 4-3-3 system. Liberia which put on the physical impact did not know how to contain the tactical culture of the Sierra Leoneans led by a certain n07 KOLOKOH SUFFIAN in game author of the sole goal of the match in the 40' MN. Designated man of the Match by the WAFU Technical Study Group .





BAILLY SERGE

The derby of French-speaking countries has turned to the advantage of the eagles of Mali. From the beginning of the match the two teams committed themselves to use all the football-like arguments in their power to win . At the 4' MN , a obvious domination of Mali is materialized by a penalty following a foul on no7 Coulibaly Mamaye transformed by the no5 SAMAKE ISSAKA .Attempt to develop sporadic play on the part of the two teams looking for players in the corridors and verticalization . Niger in this vein misses a clear opportunity at the 6'mn, the score will remain so in the first half.

In the second period, the match gains intensity, the MALI more enterprising imposed its domination and scored a second goal at the 60'mn by the No 11 following a overflow of Coulibaly Mamaye in great form, then a 3rd goal occurs at the 75'MN ,then a 4th one .

Niger regains its marks and returns in the Match with a slight time of domination, this beautiful performance in the last 15 minutes materialized by the reduction of the score by No22 Aziz Abdoul Ibrahim . Technically, he had too much loss of balls. Similarly, note that the structures tactical flexibility were not Clear enough . the two squads had the same formation 4-3-3 , Mali seems more skillfully organized than Niger both in the defensive and offensive phases which were better elaborated Mali side , this allowed the eagles to win by 4: 1 and qualify for the cup.

MATCH No 6 COTE D'IVOIRE vs. CAP VERT (4:1) date: 11/12/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

here is a match much appreciated for it wide range of a technical and tactical components . From the beginning there was no time of observation .The match was straight disputed , at the 5'MN is the opening of the score on a penalty on behalf of cote d'ivoire by a rating work of a certain Magbi Laurent the game was accredited with a good technical level especially on cote d'ivoire side showing an entertaining game well thought out and well structured .

Technically speaking note that cote d'ivoire was well above Cape Verde obviously enough the precision of the passes in the back of Cape Verde defense and some splitting passes destroyed the defense unit to the great extent that it cracked.



It was an occasion to discover some outstanding players such as n03 Magbi Gbagbo Laurent author of the second goal at the 21' , irie bi zahi herve no11 and Doumbia Aboubakar who has impacted with of all his weight on the defense of cape Verde , has scored 2 goals in the 56' and 93'.

Led 3:0 , cape Verde surprised the Ivorian defense too sufficient and Reduces the score by the n0 20 DA COSTA .Cote d'ivoire showed top quality game with players above average. By the end cote d'ivoire won brilliantly 4: 1 and qualified for the cup

MATCH No 7 GHANA vs. GAMBIA (1:0) date: 01 /10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

The champion of the first edition of the GHANA 2017 WAFU CUP OF NATIONS Qualified for the cup in accordance with the new format , while beating with great difficulty a strong team of Gambia on a smallest score 1:0 and qualify for the CUP .

Holding the title, the GHANA and his coach MAXWEL KONADOU having in the Heart of To keep their crown , will immediately impose their tactical leadership against a young team of the Gambia that relies only on its physical freshness .redesigned 90% Ghana squad had to take time to overcome his opponent of the day. In the first half, apart from some actions let's note that , the attack of the black stars failed twice as the shots died on the posts .As for the GAMBIAN, they missed a penalty they were rewarded after a fault on their player in penalty box during a slight domination in the 30MN .



The second half will not leave us a better impression. there were a lot of losses of balls, the battle of the midfield had always tourney in favor of Ghana . we had to wait until the 65 minutes to see the sole goal of the game scored by the no10 JOSEPH ESSO who with James Akaminko And the no3 Imoro IBRAHIM formed the magic trio that defeated the Gambia.



MATCH No 8 GUINEA vs. BENIN (1:2) date: 01/10/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

SERGE BAILLY

This very lively Game turned to the advantage of the Beninese, in particular thanks to the talent and power of their players. Such as No 8 Gaston hounbedji who comes into play and no17 Jerome bonou. It is in particular on a combination between these players at the 25' that GASTON scored and took the advantage. We attended to a top quality match a supported by good organization on both sides in 4-3-3 where the game developed from the defense in attack

In the second half, the better organized and more determined Benin imposed their collective leadership and managed to score a second goal in the 75 minutes by no17 Jerome Bonou following a defense splitting pass . The teams had technically gifted players with great tactical awareness. There was a Very clear tactical options both defensively and offensively within team playing styles .

Guinea, very solid in defense, proceeds on the long ball to relaunch its attack which allows it to reduce the score at the 89' by n0 2 Morlaye Sylla who came in during the game, on a free kick. The score will stay that way until the end and Benin then qualifies for the cup

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EQUIPES QUALIFIES POUR LA "CUP"

1. SENEGAL
2. BURKINA FASO
3. TOGO
4. SIERRA LEONE
5. MALI
6. COTE D'IVOIRE
7. GHANA
8. BENIN



EQUIPES QUALIFIES POUR LA "PLATE"

1. GUINEA BISSAU
2. MAURITANIE
3. NIGERIA
4. LIBERIA
5. NIGER
6. CAP VERT
7. GAMBIE
8. GUINEE



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PROGRAMME DES RENCONTRES PHASE 2

MATCH N°	MATCH	DATE	COUP D'ENVOI	LIEU
M9	 GUNEE BISSAU VS GUINEE 	03-10-19	17H00	STADE LAT DIOR THIES
M10	 SENEGAL VS BENIN 	03-10-19	20H00	STADE LAT DIOR THIES
M11	 MAURITANIA VS GAMBIE 	04-10-19	17H00	STADE LAT DIOR THIES
M12	 BURKINA FASO VS GHANA 	04-10-19	20H00	STADE LAT DIOR THIES
M13	 NIGERIA VS CAP VERDE 	05-10-19	17H00	STADE LAT DIOR THIES
M14	 TOGO VS COTE D'IVOIRE 	05-10-19	20H00	STADE LAT DIOR THIES
M15	 LIBERIA VS NIGER 	06-10-19	17H00	STADE LAT DIOR THIES
M16	 SIERRA LEONNE VS MALI 	06-10-19	20H00	STADE LAT DIOR THIES
REPOS	REPOS -BREAK	07 -10-2019	BREAK	REPOS



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V. STORY OF THE PLATE QUATER FINALS



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THE PLATE GAME 9 RESULTS /RESULTATS DU MATCH 9 DE CONSOLATION

MATCH No 09 GUINEE BISSAU vs. GUINEE CONAKRY (0:2) date: 03/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

BAILLY SERGE

In front of a very agitated general public, GUINEA BISSAU had to bow to the mark 2: 0 against a more enterprising GUINEA team. In the first half, Guinea Bissau announced the colors in term of ball collective circulation , narrowly missing a scoring opportunity in the 5th and 9th minutes. The first quarter of an hour turned in their favor; unfortunately they did not score a goal. very quickly the reaction GUINEA became obvious it multiplies the attempts and stumbles on the goal posts with the 17'and 19' minutes . In the second half the fatigue caused the athletes of Guinea Bissau loose freshness . the team drops guard and at the 87' minute Guinea the first goal thanks to the sense of goal of No. 11 OUSMANE CAMARA who came in the game in the second half. The last moments of the GAME were difficult for Guinea Bissau who cracked and conceded a second goal scored at 90' minute by no21 Victor KANTABADOUNO. Guinea seeing her opponent's weaknesses just had to control the game and secure a deserved 2-0 win due to a quality coaching



THE PLATE GAME 11 RESULTS /RESULTATS DU MATCH 11 DE CONSOLATION

Match no 11 MAURITANIA vs. GAMBIA (0:0)PK 2-4 date: 04/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

BRIAN LEE

Gambia progressed into the Plate semifinals at the 2019 WAFU Cup of Nations after beating Mauritania 4-2 in a penalty shootout after their match ended goalless at the Stade Lat Dior in Thies, Senegal, on Friday.

The opening exchanges of the first half saw neither side very enterprising in attack with chances on goal few and far between.

Gambia appeared to suffer a set-back in the 19th minute when Samba Jawneh left the field injured and was replaced by Gibril Sillah, but the change seemed to inspire the team rather than dampen the mood.

On the half-hour mark Abdoulie Sarr came close to scoring a cracker when he unleashed a spectacular 30-yard volley, but his effort went just wide of the Mauritania goal.

Five minutes before the break Sarr was in the thick of the action again when he worked himself into a shooting position on the edge of the box, but he saw his powerful attempt well-saved by the keeper as the half all-square.



BRIAN LEE

Eight minutes into the second stanza Gambia should really have taken the lead when some swift passing saw Baboucarr Camara in space ten yards out from goal, but he struck the right-hand post with his effort.

Mauritania only created their first significant chance of the match on the hour mark when Sidi Ahmed Rachid cut inside from the left flank and fired a 20-yard shot goalwards, but the keeper was on hand to make a fantastic acrobatic save.

In the 78th minute Gambia should really have taken the lead when Momodou Bojang broke down the right and squared for Muhaammed Samba who, somehow, from only a few yards out skewed his shot wide when it was easier to score than to miss.



Neither side could find the winner before the full 90 minutes as the match entered a penalty shoot-out to decide the winner.

In the shoot-out Saidou Barry and Mouhamed El Abd Nouh missed their spot-kicks for Mauritania as Gambia ran out 4-2 winners with everyone of their penalties converted.



**THE PLATE GAME 13 RESULTS /RESULTATS DU
MATCH 13 DE CONSOLATION**
MATCH No 13 NIGERIA vs. CAPE VERDE
(1:1)PK 2-3 date: 05/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT

Colin Udoh

And so the unthinkable happened. A penalty shootout defeat by Cape Verde saw Nigeria eliminated from the 2019 WAFU Cup of Nations in disgrace.

Nigeria looked likely to avoid the disgrace of the unwanted record when Sikiru Alimi scored his scrambled goal, but a giveaway just seconds before fulltime saw the game go to penalties and the nervy Super Eagles lads missed three of their kicks to hand the islanders victory .

It is a disaster that should have wider consequences for the future of Nigerian football.

In the buildup to Saturday's game, it was clear that Nigeria coach Imama Amapakabo's brief was to play at least for some redemption after falling to Togo in the two previous games. And it did look like things were heading that way when Sunusi gave them that lead.

But old frailties returned to haunt them despite a dominant showing: An inability to put away scoring chances meant they failed to add security to their slim lead, and fragility at the back saw them concede the late late goal.



Nigeria's Super Eagles crashed out of the 2019 WAFU Cup of Nations after a disastrous penalty shoot-out saw them lose 3-2 to Cape Verde after regulation time ended 1-1 at the Stade Lat Dior in Thies, Senegal, on Saturday.

The Super Eagles controlled the possession stakes in the first half but for all their dominance they struggled to create significant goal scoring chances, largely due to poor passing in the final third. Nigeria's first real threat on goal came on the half-hour mark when Williams Ukeme tried his luck from 24 yards out, but his powerful effort went just wide of the target. Cape Verde, on the other hand, saw very little of the ball until the final five minutes of the half when they almost scored twice.



THE PLATE GAME 15 RESULTS /RESULTATS DU MATCH 11 DE CONSOLATION

Match no 15 LIBERIA vs. NIGER (1:0). date: 06/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR



Liberia has a very young and talented team .there was better coordination between the midfielders and strikers in the 30th minute TERRY sackor (9)of Liberia headed a cross from the wing that bounced off the cross bar . At the 37th minute a 2 v1 duel situation in the opponent resulted into the lone goal of the Match scored by their aggressive and skillful striker POTIS KEVIS (10) designated man of the match by WAFU TSG



BAILLY SERGE

Liberia also advanced to the semi-finals of the first round losers tournament. The Lone Stars dominated Niger 1-0 thanks to Kelvin Potis.

In the beginning of the game as early as the 6th minute of the match Niger developed more offensive actions , a tackle room behind the 18 yard surface of LIBERIAAN defense led to a penalty fortunately saved by Liberian goal keeper .Niger continued it light domination without scoring then stood back in defense and wait for counter attack which they did not benefited from .



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VI. STORY OF THE CUP QUATER FINALS



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THE CUP GAMES 10 RESULTS/ RESULTATS DU MATCH DE LA CUP

MATCH no 10 SENEGAL vs. BENIN (1:0) date: 03/09/ 2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR



BRIAN LEE

Senegal edged into the 2019 WAFU Cup of Nations semifinals with a slender 1-0 win over Benin at the Stade Lat Dior in Thies, Senegal on Thursday.

The first half was dominated by the Lions of Teranga and was one of missed chances, especially for striker Youssouph Mamadou Badji who squandered a few gilt-edged opportunities. In the eighth minute Ousseynou Niang produced a great run down the left before squaring for Badji, but he fumbled his effort wide from ten yards out.

Ten minutes later Niang was on the end of another pin-point cross, this time from right-winger Ibrahima Drame, but his 12-yard header went just over the target.

On the half-hour mark the Senegalese striker was in the thick of the action yet again, but once more he headed a cross from Khadim Diaw inches wide of the goal.

THE CUP GAMES 12 RESULTS/ RESULTATS DU MATCH 12 DE CUP

MATCH No12 BURKINA FASO vs. GHANA (1:1) PK 4-5 date: 04/09/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT D.

BRIAN LEE

Goalkeeper Eric Antwi Ofori made two fantastic saves in the penalty shootout to see Ghana beat Burkina Faso 5-4 in the quarterfinals of the 2019 WAFU Cup of Nations after regulation time ended 1-1 at the Stade Lat Dior in Thies, Senegal on Friday.

It was perfect start for Burkina Faso who opened the scoring after only four minutes when a free-flowing move down the right side concluded with Ilias Tiendrebeogo tapping home a pin-point cross from Mody Cisse for the 1-0.

Ghana almost hit back eight minutes later when Augustine Okrah tried his luck from long range, but his powerful effort went just wide of the post.

The Black Stars persisted in attack after that and managed to find the equaliser in the 38th minute when Mumini Shafiu headed a left-sided cross from Joseph Esso past the keeper to see the half end 1-1.



THE CUP GAMES 14 RESULTS/ RESULTATS DU MATCH 14 DE LA CUP

MATCH no 14 TOGO vs COTE D'IVOIRE (0:0) PK 2-4
date: 05/09/ 2019 8.00pm STADE LAT D

DOVE

Ivory Coast progressed into the semifinals of the 2019 WAFU Cup of Nations after beating Togo 4-2 in a penalty shoot-out after the match ended 0-0 at the Stade Lat Dior in Thies, Senegal, on Saturday. The Elephants started strong and came close to scoring in the 11th minute when Laurent Magbi let loose with a low 20-yard pile driver just past the right-hand post.

Togo created their first significant chance in 17th minute when some good build-up play resulted in Messan Toudji finding space 14-yards out from goal, but he saw his attempt brilliantly saved by the keeper.

Ivory Coast should have taken the lead two minutes later when Magbi met a left-sided free-kick into the box with a strong header, but his effort went over the crossbar from six-yards out.

The Elephants bossed the remainder of the half, but could not make their dominance pay as the teams entered the break locked at 0-0.

It was the more of the same from Ivory Coast at the start of the second half with Frederic Kouadio firing a powerful shot from the edge of the box a whisker wide in the 51st minute.

On the hour mark Ange Pony also tried his luck from long range for the Elephants, but his effort also narrowly missed the target.

In the 75th minute Aboubacar Doumbia almost gave Ivory Coast the lead when he met a right-wing cross, but his eight-yard header shaved the top of the crossbar. Neither side could find a winner in regulation time as the match ended goalless. In the penalty shoot-out Togo's Akate Gnana missed and Amekoudi Dodji saw his attempt saved as the Elephants won 4-2.

Ivory Coast will now face Ghana in the semifinals of the Cup competition on October 9 while Togo head home.



THE CUP GAME 16 RESULTS/ RESULTATS DU MATCH 16 DE CUP

MATCH No 16 SIERRA LEONNE vs. MALI (0;1.) date:
06/09/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

SERGE BAILLY

Mali took last place in the semi-finals of the WAFU Nations Tournament on Sunday. After a 1-0 victory over Sierra Leone in Thiès.

One shouldn't be late for this quarter-final at the Lat Dior stadium. From the 3rd minute, after a good job from Coulibaly Mamaye on the side, Sylla Ali Badra deceived the opposing goalkeeper with a header. The first period is controlled by the Eagles who have the best chances but cannot make the score worse until the break.

The scenario is the same in the second half. Mali goes without to put the second goal. Then Sierra Leone shows up in the last 15 minutes. The incoming Kamara Musa fails to equalize. Final score: 1-0.

Mali thus makes an appointment with Senegal in the semi-finals on Wednesday.



.THE SEMI-FINALS FIXTURES



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MATCH N°	MATCH	DATE	COUP D'ENVOI	LIEU
M17PLATE	 GAMBIA VS CAP-VERT 	08-10-19	17H00	STADE LAT DIOR THIES
M18CUP	 GHANA VS COTE D'IVOIRE 	08-10-19	20H00	STADE LAT DIOR THIES
M19PLATE	 GUINEE VS LIBERIA 	09-10-19	17H00	STADE LAT DIOR THIES
M20CUP	 SENEGAL VS MALI 	09-10-19	20H00	STADE LAT DIOR THIES



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THE PLATE GAME 17 RESULTS /RESULTATS DU MATCH 17 DE CONSOLATION

MATCH No 17 GAMBIA vs. CAPE VERDE (0:1) date: 08/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

BRIAN LEE

A first-half rocket from Paulo Norte sent Cape Verde into the Plate Final of the 2019 WAFU Cup of Nations after beating Gambia 1-0 at the Stade Lat Dior in Thies, Senegal on Tuesday. Gambia started strong and came close to scoring in the seventh minute when Momodou Bojang met an inch perfect left-wing cross from Muhamed Samba, but his 10-yard header was spectacularly saved by keeper Kevin Sousa. The Cape Verde shot-stopper was at his best again in the 23rd minute, this time flinging himself across goal to turn a 30-yard free kick from Bun Sanneh around the post. Despite being on the backfoot for most of the stanza, the Blue Sharks took the lead in the 32nd minute after a spectacular 18-yard half-volley from Norte found the top corner of the net to make it 1-0.



Paulo Norte, right, celebrates after scoring a goal for Cape Verde Islands in the WAFU Cup Plate semifinals.

The Gambian keeper, though, was largely to blame for the goal after making two horror errors at a corner kick, the second one resulting in the loose ball falling to Norte on the edge of the box and he made no mistake.

The Scorpions tried to find their way back into the match before the break but were unable to do so as they entered the tunnel trailing by a goal. It was all Gambia in the second half, but for all their dominance they struggled to fashion any significant goal scoring chances from open play.

The Scorpions, however, did come close from a 20-yard free kick in the 73rd minute but Sanneh saw his attempt headed off the goal line by Harnani Cardoso.

That was as good as it got for Gambia as Cape Verde stood firm in defense to earn the win and a place in the final of the Plate competition on October 12.



THE CUP GAMES 18 RESULTS/ RESULTATS DU MATCH 18 DE LA CUP SEMI-FINAL 1

MATCH no 18 GHANA vs COTE D'IVOIRE (3:1) date: 08/10/ 2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

ED DOVE

Ghana entered the tournament having not had a domestic league since June 2018, due to the Corruption Crisis enveloping football there, hence coach Maxwell Konadu had his work cut out attempting to assemble a local squad of players with the Ghana Premier League only due to resume in November.

The reigning champions, who won the title on home soil two years ago, were in danger of a first-round exit after toiling against Gambia in their opener, but they have steadily grown into the tournament, as the players have found match sharpness and begun to rediscover the rhythm of competitive action.

"I think Ghanaians appreciate what we are doing for the country, and with this team in particular," Konadu said after his side's 3-1 semifinal victory over Ivory Coast. "I've been on this team for the past six years, and we keep improving year after year.

"Only one member [of the 2017-winning squad] is with this team now, so we've had to assemble a new team.

"It wasn't easy.

"We had to gather players together to compete and we keep improving."

When Ghana fell behind in their quarterfinal against old foe Burkina Faso -- who recently defeated the Black Stars in Kumasi in an African Nations Championship qualifier -- it appeared as though this rusty team had been found out.

But Ghana demonstrated their quality to equalise through captain Shafiu Mumuni who, along with Augustine Okrah and Joseph Easo, has been part of an impressive attacking unit. After riding their luck to dispatch the Stallions on penalties -- with Eric Ofori Antwi making two fine stops -- They blitzed a fancied cote d'ivoire in semi-finals with Mumuni scoring a 20-minute hat-trick, the first in the tournament's history.





THE PLATE GAME 19 RESULTS /RESULTATS DU MATCH 19 DE CONSOLATION

Match no 19 GUINEA vs. LIBERIA (1:0.) date: 09/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR SEMI-FINAL 1

Brian Lee

A first-half goal from Daouda Camara handed Guinea a 1-0 win over Liberia in the Plate semifinal of the 2019 WAFU Cup of Nations the Stade Lat Dior in Thies, Senegal, on Wednesday.

It was a fast start from the Syli Nationale who had the first shot on goal in the fourth minute when Jean Mouste unleashed a thunderbolt from 24-yards out, but his effort was superbly saved by the Liberian keeper.

The Lone Stars were gifted a chance to take the lead in the 18th minute when Terry Sackor met a left-sided free-kick with a strong header, but under no pressure he put his ten-yard attempt wide of the goal.

On the half-hour mark Guinea should have opened the scoring when Morlaye Sylla played Camara through on goal, but he failed to beat the keeper as he pushed his effort wide.

Nine minutes later the Syli Nationale did find the game's first goal when a cheeky back-heel from Mamadou Bangoura saw Camara in his second one-on-one with the Liberian keeper, and this time he made no mistake with a clinical finish to make it 1-0 at the break.

The Lone Stars came out strong at the start of the second half and came within inches of levelling matters in the 54th minute when Karleo Anderson met a right-sided free-kick, but his 12-yard header shaved the top of the crossbar.

Guinea should have put the result beyond doubt in the 74th minute when a swift counterattack resulted in Bangoura finding some space 14-yards out, but his shot was cleared off the line by a Liberian defender.

The Lone Stars threw players forward in the final ten minutes but were unable to find an equaliser as they exited the tournament. Guinea will now face Cape Verde in the Plate final of WAFU 2019 on October 12.



THE CUP GAME 20 RESULTS/ RESULTATS DU MATCH 20 DE LA CUP

MATCH No 20 SENEGAL vs. MALI (2:0) date: 09/10/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

Brian Lee

Hosts Senegal earned a place in the Cup final of the 2019 WAFU Cup of Nations after beating Mali 2-0 at the Stade Lat Dior on Wednesday.

The host nation controlled the flow of play from the onset but only managed to create their first scoring chance in the 18th minute when Philippe Paulin Keny met a left-sided free-kick with a strong 12-yard header that went inches over the target.

Four minutes later Senegal were a threat again in the air when Ibrahima Drame got on the end of a corner-kick, but his eight-yard header skimmed the top side of the crossbar.

On the half hour mark Mali fashioned their first scoring chance after individual brilliance from Mamaye Coulibaly saw him drive into the box from the left flank, but his 14-yard shot from an acute angle was well saved by the keeper.

The Eagles suffered a bit of a set-back in the 41st minute when star man Moussa Kone had to leave the field, with what looked to be a stomach bug, and was replaced by Amadou Camara.



Two minutes after coming on Camara looked to have won a penalty-kick after being pulled down inside box, but the referee failed to award it and the half ended goalless.

Six minutes into the second stanza Senegal took the lead when Ousseynou Niang beat two defenders on his way into the box from the right before squaring for Drame to tap home, 1-0.

The Lions of Teranga should have doubled their lead in the 58th minute when an error in defence allowed Assane Mbodj through on goal, but he fired over from ten yards out with an empty net at his mercy.

Mali tried to find a way back into the game but were caught on the counterattack in the 80th minute when Niang slipped Drame through on goal and he was brought down in the box by the keeper -- leaving the referee no choice but to point to the spot.

Elhadji Madicke Kane stepped up for the home nation and coolly slotted the penalty-kick to make it 2-0.

The match ended on a sour note for Mali when second half substitute Ibourahima Sidibe was shown a straight red card in the 84th minute following a tackle from behind on Niang.

Senegal will now face Ghana, the defending champions, in the Cup final of WAFU 2019 on October 12.





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PLATE FINAL
Saturday 12 Oct - 18h00 GMT





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VIII. STORY OF THE PLATE FINAL



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Guinea were crowned the Plate champions of the 2019 WAFU Cup of Nations after beating Cape Verde 4-3 in a penalty shootout after the match ended 0-0 at the Stade Lat Dior in Thies, Senegal on Saturday.

There was a nice flow to the game following the opening whistle with the first chance on goal going the way of Guinea in the 15th minute, but Mory Kante saw his long-range strike go just wide.

Ten minutes later Cape Verde broke out of defence with blistering speed that Erikson Soares through on goal, but his powerful shot from the edge of the box was spectacularly saved by the keeper.

Guinea's gloveman Sekouba Camara was at his best again in the 35th minute, this time turning a stinging 20-yard shot from Helnani Cardoso around the post.

In the 42nd minute, the Syli Nationale had the last decent scoring chance of the half, but Cape Verde's keeper came up tops with a great save to deny Kante from 20 yards out as the half ended goalless.

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THE PLATE GAME 21 RESULT /RESULTATS DU MATCH 21 DE CONSOLATION

MATCH No 21 CAPE VERDE VS GUINEA (0:0) PK 3-4

date: 12/10/2019 6.00pm STADE LAT DIOR





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CUP FINAL

Sunday 13 Oct - 18h00 GMT



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IX. STORY OF THE CUP FINALS



TRIBUTE TO LEONARD NDIAGNE THE
GOLDEN MICROPHONE OF SENEGAL
WHOSE COMMUNICATION SKILLS ENABLED
HIM ANNOUNCED THE WHOLE
TOURNAMENT WITH PROFESSIONALISM



DAY 12/12è J

**THE CUP GAME 22 RESULT/ RESULTAT DU MATCH
22 DE LA CUP**

MATCH No 20 GHANA VS SENEGAL (1:1)

date: 13/10/2019 6.00pm STADE LAT DIOR



•BRIAN LEE

Hosts Senegal are the champions of the 2019 WAFU Cup of Nations after beating Ghana 3-1 in a penalty shootout following 120 minutes of football which ended 1-1 at the Stade Lat Dior in Thies on Sunday.

Ghana almost took the lead in the tenth minute when Habib Mohammed met a left-sided free-kick from Augustine Okrah, but his eight-yard header struck the post.

Senegal threatened next from a right-sided free-kick in the 13th minute when Ousseynou Niang's cross picked out Philippe Paulin Keny, but he headed inches over under no pressure from the defence. Two minutes later the Lions of Teranga caused more danger at a set-piece, this time Moustapha getting onto a pin-point corner-kick from Ibrahima Drama but the former headed just wide from 12-yards out.

Both sides tightened up their defence after that and looked a little timid in attack, which resulted in no more decent scoring chances before the break.

Senegal came out strong at the start of the second stanza and should have taken the lead in the 57th minute when Assane Mbodj met a corner-kick at the back post, but he headed wide from only a couple of yards out.

A minute later Mbodj was in the action again, this time with a fantastic turn on the edge of the box to beat his marker but he saw his shot skim the top of the crossbar.

Ghana finally created their first chance of the second half in the 68th minute when a powerful run from Okrah saw him burst through the middle of the defence, but the Senegalese keeper was quickly off his line to deny him.

The Black Stars nearly stole the victory in the 82nd minute when a corner-kick resulted in captain Shafiu Mumuni getting into space six-yards out, but his strong header was magnificently saved by Pape Ndiaye. That was the last decent chance of the half as regulation time ended goalless and the match moved into extra-time.



REMISE DES MEDAILLE D'OR PAR LE PRESIDENT DE LA CAF HAMAD HAMAD

The Lions of Teranga came bitterly close to taking the lead in the 105th minute of extra time when swift work down the left resulted in substitute Youssouph Badji meeting a cross from Niang, but his eight-yard attempt struck the post. Two minutes into the second half of extra time the game finally got its first goal when Badji connected with another cross from Niang, but this time he turned the ball into the net from six-yards out, 1-0.

Ghana were not going down without a fight and equalised in the 110th minute when a right-sided free-kick resulted in a goalmouth scramble which concluded with Joseph Esso firing home from eight-yards out, 1-1.

Neither side could find the winner in the remaining ten minutes as they game ended 1-1 and went into penalties to decide the outcome.

In the shootout Senegal keeper Ndiaye made two saves to deny Okrah and Justice Blay while Ghana's Fatawu Mohammed struck the crossbar to see the Lions of Teranga win on penalties.



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X. TECHNICAL AND TACTICAL ANALYSIS



GENERAL OBSERVATION



JAMES DEBBAH WAFU TSG MEMBER

The technical study group observed all the 22 matches in the competition and highlights the technical and tactical advances in the game that can be used for educational purposes for generations to come.

Scheduled for the countdown, the start-of-match protocol and the end-of-game protocol allowed us to review these warm handshakes between the players for fair play, which remains a true regulator of attitudes as desired by the FIFA.

During the tournament, the sportsmanship, friendliness and respect that we observed between the players, coaches and officials were even more significant.

In terms of game production, it should be noted that all the teams together produced an attractive, exciting and rhythmic game

The technical study group noted that the game systems were adapted to the specific tactics of each participating team and to the strengths and weaknesses of the opponents.

Thus 11 of the 16 teams played with a basic 4-3-3 based on a 4-player defense. Only COTE D'IVOIRE made use of a 3-4-3 with naturally 3 defenders

While SIERRA LEONE opted for a classic 4-4-2, GHANA and MAURITANIA operate with a 4-1-4-1. This system also uses 4 defenders an axial midfielder favors a faster formation of the defensive blocks

Although the systems used have given the teams a certain form of organization, no team can be 100% happy with the reliability of its system, hence for some teams the use of tactical flexibility to take shelter from underperformance relative to the basic system





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DEFENSIVE ORGANIZATION

The majority of the teams opted for a back 4 defense with one or two defensive midfielders exerting a pressure in the mediums which facilitated the regrouping of the defensive block of these teams as of the loss of the ball.

In non possession of balls we saw teams place 7 to 8 players behind the ball GUINEA at times placed 9

Regardless of the defensive tactics used by the teams, let us remember that the one vs -one or duels won are still essential to defend well.

The goalkeepers also showed they were there. However their way of playing depended fundamentally on the positioning of their defenses. The number of goals conceded in total 42 for 22 matches or an average of 1.8 goals per match are proof of this.

ATTACK-DEFENSE TRANSITION

The phenomenon of the transition has been illustrated several times as we saw teams such as SENEGAL and GHANA and many others very quickly made transitions when the ball was lost, these teams immediately pressed their opponents to recover or slow them down in their progression



ORGANIZATION IN OFFENSIVE PHASE

During this competition we have seen that all the teams have made an effort to build up offensive movements COTE D'IVOIRE, SENEGAL, GHANA and CAPE VERDE stood out for the gradual built attack, a patient construction of the game from defense to attack through the midfield and sends balls in the back of the opposing defense in order to exploit the space

Other teams like NIGERIA, LIBERIA AND THE GAMBIA were immediately pushing forward in possession of the ball

These two approaches to the offensive organization of the game benefited from the constant support of the goalkeepers

A total of 42 goals were scored, nearly 2 GOALS scored per Match



.BEST TEAM OF THE COMPETITION IN A 1-4-3-3 FORMATION



SUBSTITUTES

- ALKALIFA COULIBALY (1)MALI GK
- PA OUSMAN GAI (2)GAMBIA
- DARANY SESAY (6) SIERRA LEONE
- IBRAHIMA DRAME (10) SENEGAL
- MAMADOU L.CAMARA(6) SENEGAL
- EDWARD DAADY LEDLUM(10) LIBERIA
- CAMARA IBRAHIM SORY(9) GUINEE
- IBRAHIMA SANGARE(11)MALI





XI.RESULTS AND STATISTIS



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ROUND ONE RESULTS

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SENEGAL **3** vs **1** GUINEA BISSAU



BURKINAFASO **1 PK 4** vs **1 PK 3** MAURITANIA



NIGERIA **1** vs **2** TOGO



SIERRA LEONE **1** vs **0** LIBERIA



MALI **3** vs **1** NIGER



COTE D'IVOIRE **4** vs **1** CAPE VERDE



GHANA **1** vs **0** GAMBIA



GUINEA **1** vs **2** BENIN





ROUND TWO SUMMARY/REVUE DE LA PHASE 2

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THE PLATE GAME 9 RESULTS /RESULTATS DU MATCH 9 DE CONSOLATION

MATCH No 09 GUINEE BISSAU vs. GUINEE CONAKRY (0:2) date: 03/10/2019 5.00pm

STADE LAT DIOR

THE CUP GAMES 10 RESULTS/ RESULTATS DU MATCH DE LA CUP

MATCH no 10 SENEGAL vs. BENIN (1:0) date: 03/09/ 2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

DAY 6/6^è J

THE PLATE GAME 11 RESULTS /RESULTATS DU MATCH 11 DE CONSOLATION

Match no 11 MAURITANIA vs. GAMBIA (0:0)PK 2-4 date: 04/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

THE CUP GAMES 12 RESULTS/ RESULTATS DU MATCH 12 DE LA CUP

MATCH No12 BURKINA FASO vs. GHANA (1:1) PK 4-5 date: 04/09/2019 8.00pm

STADE LAT D.

DAY 7/7^è J

THE PLATE GAME 13 RESULTS /RESULTATS DU MATCH 13 DE CONSOLATION

MATCH No 13 NIGERIA vs. CAPE VERDE (1:1)PK 2-3 date: 05/10/2019 5.00pm STADE

LAT DIOR

THE CUP GAMES 14 RESULTS/ RESULTATS DU MATCH 14 DE LA CUP

MATCH no 14 TOGO vs COTE D'IVOIRE (0:0) PK 2-4 date: 05/09/ 2019 8.00pm

STADE LAT D

DAY 8/8^è J

THE PLATE GAME 15 RESULTS /RESULTATS DU MATCH 11 DE CONSOLATION

Match no 15 LIBERIA vs. NIGER (1:0.) date: 06/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

THE CUP GAME 16 RESULTS/ RESULTATS DU MATCH 12 DE LA CUP

MATCH No 16 SIERRA LEONNE vs. MALI (0;.1.) date: 06/09/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT

DIOR

1. VALIDATION OF THE MATCHES/HOMOLOGATION DES MATCHS

Home Teams	scores	Away teams	Observations	decisions
GUINEA BISSAU	0:2	GUINEE	No protest	validated
SENEGAL	1:0	BENIN	No protest	validated
MAURITANIA	0:0PK2-4	GAMBIA	No protest	validated
BURKINA FASO	1:1PK4-5	GHANA	No protest	validated
NIGERIA	1:1PK2-3	CAPE VERDE	No protest	validated
TOGO	0:0PK2-4	COTE D'IVOIRE	No protest	validated
LIBERIA	1:0	NIGER	No protest	validated
SIERRA LEONE	0:1	MALI	No protest	validated





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SEMI-FINALS SUMMARY/REVUE DES DEMI-FINALES

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THE PLATE GAME 17 RESULTS /RESULTATS DU MATCH 17 DE CONSOLATION

MATCH No 17 GAMBIA vs. CAPE VERDE (0:1) date: 08/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

THE CUP GAMES 18 RESULTS/ RESULTATS DU MATCH 18 DE LA CUP

MATCH no 18 GHANA vs COTE D'IVOIRE (3:1) date: 08/10/ 2019 8.00pm STADE LAT D

DAY 10/10è J

THE PLATE GAME 19 RESULTS /RESULTATS DU MATCH 19 DE CONSOLATION

Match no 19 GUINEA vs. LIBERIA (1:0.) date: 09/10/2019 5.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

THE CUP GAME 20 RESULTS/ RESULTATS DU MATCH 20 DE LA CUP

MATCH No 20 SENEGAL vs. MALI (2:0) date: 09/10/2019 8.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

1. VALIDATION OF THE MATCHES/HOMOLOGATION DES MATCHS

Home Teams	scores	Away teams	Observations	decisions
GAMBIA	0:1	CAPE VERDE	No protest	validated
GHANA	3:1	COTE D'IVOIRE	No protest	validated
GUINEA	1:0	LIBERIA	No protest	validated
SENEGAL	2:0	MALI	No protest	validated



FINALS SUMMARY/REVUE DES FINALES

DAY 11/11è J

THE PLATE GAME 21 RESULT /RESULTATS DU MATCH 21 DE CONSOLATION

MATCH No 21 CAPE VERDE VS GUINEA (0:0) PK 3-4 date: 12/10/2019 6.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

DAY 12/12è J

THE CUP GAME 22 RESULT/ RESULTAT DU MATCH 22 DE LA CUP

MATCH No 20 GHANA VS SENEGAL (1:1) date: 13/10/2019 6.00pm STADE LAT DIOR

1. VALIDATION OS/HOMOLOGATION DES MATCHS

Home Teams	scores	Away teams	Observations	decisions
CAPE VERDE	0:0PK 3-4	GUINEA	No protest	validated
GHANA	1:1PK	SENEGAL	No protest	validated



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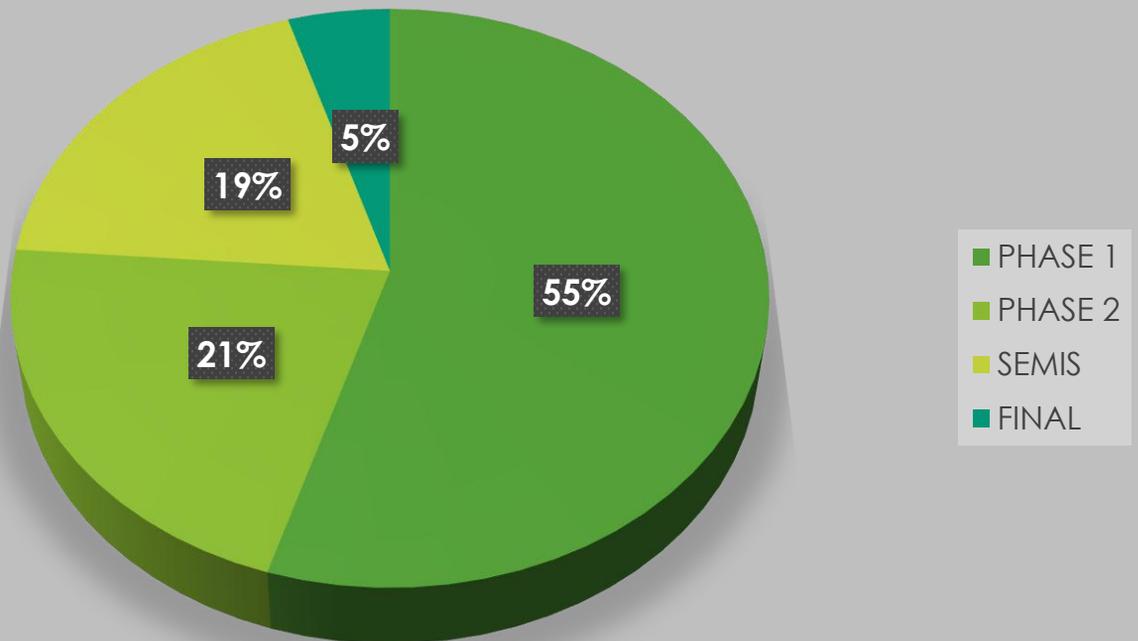
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4. GOAL SCORERS/LES BUTEURS

Teams/EQUIPES	Players/JOUEUSES	Number NO DOS	MATCH DAY JOURNEE	NUMBERS OF GOALS /NOMBRE DE BUTS
NIGERIA	ALIMI SIKIRU	9	DAY2/DAY6	2
COTE d'IVOIRE	MAGBI LAURENT	3	DAY3	2
	DOUMBIA ABOUBAKAR	7	DAY3	2
GHANA	JOSEPH ESSO	10	DAY4	1
	MUMUNI SHAFIU	14	DAY7/9	1/3

AU TOTAL 42 BUT MARQUES /TOTAL GOALS SCORED IS 42

GOALS SCORED





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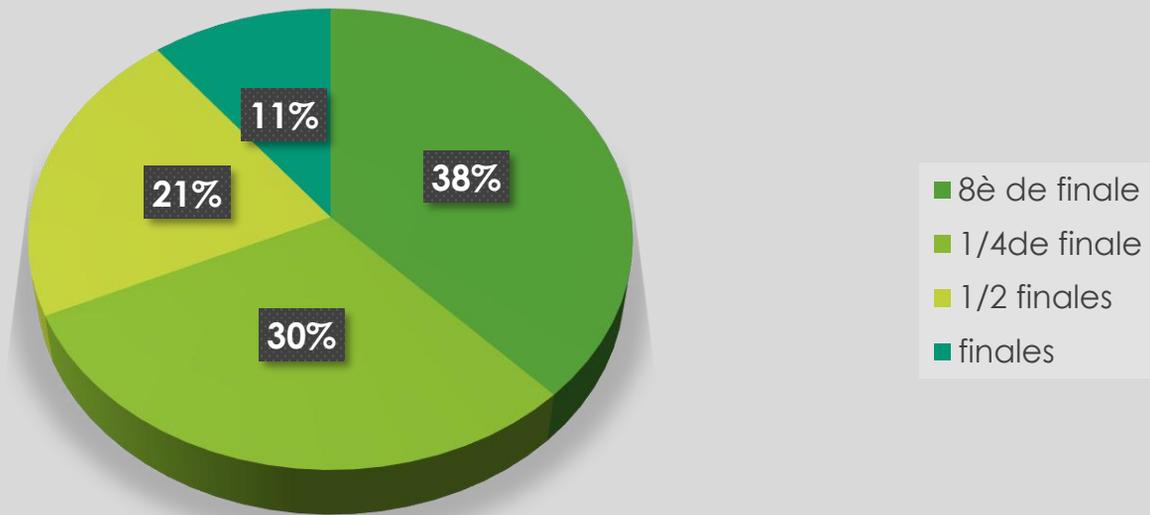
SUMMARY OF THE CAUTIONS /NOTIFICATION DES SANCTIONS

Sur la base des rapports des arbitres la commission discipline fait la lumière sur les sanctions a cet effet notons que 66 Cartons distribuer dont 63 jaunes et 3 rouges

On the basis of the referees' reports, the Disciplinary Committee clarifies the sanctions .

For this purpose let's Note that 66 Cards were shown including 63 yellow and 3 red

YELLOW CARDS /CARTONS JAUNES



25 CARTONS EN 1/8 DE FINALE
20 CARTONS EN ¼ DE FINALE
14 CARTONS EN 1/2 FINALES
7 CARTONS EN FINALES

25 YELLOW CARDS IN 1/8 FINALS
20 YELLOW CARDS IN ¼ FINALS
14 YELLOW CARDS IN 1/2 FINALS
7 YELLOW CARDS IN FINALS

WAFU CUP OF NATIONS TEAMS RANKING

STANDINGS FOR THE CUP (SENEGAL WINNER)

PAYS /TEAMS	J/PLAYED	WIN	DRAW	LOST	GF	GA	GD	POINTS	RANKING
SENEGAL	4	4	0	0	7	2	+5	12	1 ^{er}
GHANA	4	3	0	1	6	3	+3	9	2 nd
MALI	3	2	0	1	5	3	+2	6	3 ^e
COTE D'IVOIRE	3	2	0	1	4	4	+0	6	4 ^e
BENIN	2	1	0	1	2	1	+1	3	5 ^e
TOGO	2	1	0	1	2	1	+1	3	5 ^{èx}
BURKINA FASO	2	1	0	1	2	2	+0	3	7 ^e
SIERRA LEONNE	2	1	0	1	1	1	+0	3	8 ^e

STANDINGS FOR THE PLATE (GUINEA WINNER)

PAYS /TEAMS	J/PLAYED	WIN	DRAW	LOST	GF	GA	GD	POINTS	RANKING
GUINEA	4	2	0	2	4	2	+2	6	1 ^{er}
CAPE VERDE	4	2	0	2	3	4	-1	6	2 nd
LIBERIA	3	1	0	2	1	2	-1	3	3 ^e
GAMBIA	3	1	0	2	0	2	-2	3	4 ^e
MAURITANIA	2	0	0	2	1	1	+0	0	5 ^e
NIGERIA	2	0	0	2	2	3	-1	0	6 ^e
GUINEA BISSAU	2	0	0	2	1	5	-4	0	7 ^e
NIGER	2	0	0	2	1	5	-4	0	7 ^{èx}

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XII.ESPN AWARDS FOR TOP PLAYERS



Senegal walked away with the WAFU Cup of Nations title on Sunday, winning it on home soil after beating then-holders Ghana in a penalty shootout (one of many in the tournament).

While the sides in the Cup final were domestic-based versions of continental heavyweights, the Plate final was a story of success against the odds, as Guinea defeated tiny Cape Verde... also on penalties.

ESPN's Ed Dove reveals his tournament awards following a fascinating two weeks of African football.



BEST PLAYER OF THE TOURNAMENT

Ibrahima Drame (Senegal)

Already hotly tipped for a starring role ahead of the competition, the Diambars wonderkid didn't disappoint with a series of fine displays that showcased his technical prowess, agility and speed.

His raw qualities, plus the refinement he's received at the same Diambars academy that produced Idrissa Gueye, Kara Mbodj and Pape Souare among others, set him apart from many of the other players at the tournament.

Defenders continually struggled to deal with the wideman's movement and pace, while he was the decisive actor for Senegal in their semifinal victory over Mali, netting the first goal and then winning the penalty for the second after being brought down by the goalkeeper.

Senegal's Ibrahima Drame has a bright future, provided he can keep his discipline in check. Samuel Shivambu/BackpagePix

In truth, however, Drame shouldn't have been on the pitch at the time of his major contributions, after lashing out at a prone Issaka Samake earlier in the contest.

If he cannot iron out such displays of indiscipline, then the 17-year-old risks becoming the next Elhadji Diouf rather than the next Sadio Mane.

Honourable Mentions: Ousseynou Niang, Jean Moustet, Shafiu Mumuni



BEST COACH OF THE TOURNAMENT



Coach of the Tournament: Maxwell Konadu (Ghana)

Many of the coaches in this competition have had to assemble squads out of players who are short of match fitness and sharpness, due to the varied programming of Africa's leagues.

However, none have had to contend with quite the same disruption as Konadu, coach of Ghana, where domestic football has been suspended since June 2018 due to the corruption scandal that has devastated the nation's game.

In this context, he did exceptionally well to guide this collection of players to the final, and the team grew dramatically into the competition after their unconvincing opening 1-0 victory over Gambia.

Ghana coach Max Konadu overcame a lot of obstacles to reach the WAFU Cup final. Samuel Shivambu/BackpagePix

Ghana played an attractive style against Ivory Coast and in the second half against Burkina Faso, and Konadu's more unexpected decisions -- gambles, really -- largely paid off, and he was unlucky not to retain the title with the Black Stars.

Mumuni's mature displays justified his selection as captain, Augustine Okrah silenced the critics back home who complained about his inclusion with some inspired displays, and Eric Antwi Ofori vindicated Konadu's decision to stick with him ahead of first-choice Felix Annan.

Honourable Mentions: Lappe Bangoura, Janito Carvalho, Robert Larrey

PERFORMANCE OF THE TOURNAMENT

Performance of the Tournament: Shafiu Mumuni (Ghana)

There have been some exceptional individual displays this tournament, notably Guinea's Moustet in his side's plate semifinal and final, Assane Mbodj in Senegal's opener, Mamaye Coulibaly in Mali's first match, but none were as impressive as Ghana's Mumuni against Ivory Coast.

The striker, who equalised in the Black Stars' quarterfinal victory over Burkina Faso, turned on the class in the semifinal victory over Ivory Coast, scoring three times in the space of 20 minutes.

It was the first time ever that a player had scored a hat-trick in the WAFU Cup, and Mumuni demonstrated his intelligent positioning to bundle home the first, and then twice met crosses -- one from the right, one from the left -- to head beyond Eliezer Ira Tape.

Throughout, Mumuni led the line effectively, worked hard, and was a key man for finalists Ghana.

"He's a wonderful striker with a lot of experience," Konadu told journalists. "[In the semifinal] we tried to use long balls, use our wingers to penetrate, and [Mumuni] did very well to get those goals."



Goal of the Tournament: Nuno Rocha (Cape Verde)

Cape Verde were completely outclassed in their 4-1 opening defeat by the Ivory Coast, but they did produce the game's - if not the tournament's -- moment of excellence, through experienced captain Rocha.

The languid central midfielder, who's recently returned home for the first time in a career that's been spent in Portugal, Romania, and Russia, was part of the Cape Verde squad that participated at the 2015 Africa Cup of Nations.

Here, he took on the role of elder statesman in the team, and pulled one back for the islanders in the 60th minute when he picked a corner out of the sky with a delicious volley, on the swivel, over his shoulder, and sent the ball into the far corner of the net.

It was a genuine moment of technical excellence, and of magnificent invention, from the 27-year-old.

Honourable Mentions: Mumuni's second vs. Ivory Coast, Mali's Moussa Kone vs. Niger

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XIII. REFEREEING REPORT



REFEREES COMMISSION

SERGE BAILLY

The WAFU CUP OF NATIONS refereeing committee presided by Sidi Bekaye Magassa from Mali, appointed 15 referees and 15 assistant referees from BENIN(2), BURKINA FASO(2), MALI(1), TOGO(3), COTE D'IVOIRE (2), NIGER(2), SENEGAL(3), MAURITANIA (2), GHANA(2), NIGERIA(2), GAMBIA(2), GUINEA A(2), GUINEA BISSAU(2) and CAPE VERDE(1) who passed the fitness test and attended to a capacity refreshing courses, 4 days before the kick off of the competition.



NAMES	FUNCTIONS	COUNTRIES
MAGASSA SIDI BEKAYE	PRESIDENT	MALI
LAWSON-HOGBAN LATRE-KEYIEDZONA	VICE -PRESIDENT	TOGO
DIATTA BADRA	TECHNICAL INSTRUCTOR	SENEGAL
KABA IDRISSE	ASSESSOR	LIBERIA
KABA MOUSSA BINTOU	ASSESSOR	GUINEA
NDOYE MAMADOU	CO COACH	SENEGAL
SAMIR KRIA	IT INSTRUCTOR	ALGERIA

THE REFEREES

NAME	FUNCTION	COUNTRY
1.HOUNGANDANDE DJINDO	ARBITRE	BENIN
2.SANOBO BOUREIMA	ARBITRE	BURKINA FASO
3.DUARTE FABRICIO	ARBITRE	CAPE VERDE
4.MIESSAN ALLOU	ARBITRE	COTE D'IVOIRE
5.ABDUL LATIF A. SAARI	ARBITRE	GHANA
6.KONATE BANGALY	ARBITRE	GUINEA
7.SALLAH OUMAR	ARBITRE	GAMBIA
8.JULIO DA SILIA BONIFACIO	ARBITRE	GUINEA BISSAU
9.CORNEH HASSAN	ARBITRE	LIBERIA
10.DAHANE BEIDA	ARBITRE	MAURITANIA
11.ALI MOHAMED	ARBITRE	NIGER
12.BASCHEER SALISU	ARBITRE	NIGERIA
13.GUEYE DAOUDA	ARBITRE	SENEGAL
14.NTALE KOKOU OGNANKOTAN	ARBITRE	TOGO
15.AMEDOME VINCINTIA	ARNITRE	TOGO

ASSISTANTS REFEREES

NAMES	FUNCTIONS	COUNTRIES
1.AYIMAVO AYAMR ULRICH ERIC	ASSISTANT REFEREE	BENIN
2.SANOUBI HABIB JUDICHAEL	ASSISTANT REFEREE	BURKINAFASO
3.MIMISEN AGHATA IYORHE	ASSISTANT REFEREE	NIGERIA
4.N'GOH ADOU	ASSISTANT REFEREE	COTE D'IVOIRE
5.SOWE ESSAHA	ASSISTANT REFEREE	GAMBIA
6.ATIMAKA PAUL KODZO	ASSISTANT REFEREE	GHANA
7.TERE MAMADOU	ASSISTANT REFEREE	GUINEA
8.BASSAFIM FIRMIN	ASSISTANT REFEREE	GUINEA BISSAU
9 .KANNEH JR SEKOU S.	ASSISTANT REFEREE	LIBERIA
10.YOMBOLIBA BABA	ASSISTANT REFEREE	MALI
11.YOUSSOUF MOHAMED .M.YAHIA	ASSISTANT REFEREE	MAURITANIE
12.YACOUBA ABDOUL AZIZ	ASSISTANT REFEREE	NIGER
13.OGWU PETER EIGEGER	ASSISTANT REFEREE	NIGERIA
14.BANGOURA NOHA	ASSISTANT REFEREE	SENEGAL
15.CISSE ADJIA	ASSISTANT REFEREE	SENEGAL
15. ADIWOTSO KOMLAN DOMENYON	ASSISTANT REFEREE	TOGO



SIDI BEKAYE PRESIDENT OF THE REFEREES COMMISSION

During the competition all the 22 games were recorded by ESPN production team and sent to the IT instructor Samir KRIA (ALGERIA) who selected significant incidents for analysis and educational purposes .general debriefings were then held to analyse these incidents with referees in order to prepare them to the upcoming games

The refereeing committee and the referees were full board accommodated at RESIDENCE LAT DIOR of THIES about 200 METERS far from the stadium where they received excellent hospitality and enjoyed good facilities ,suitable meeting rooms as well as professional support from from the local organizing committee and specially ESPN that provided them with umbro Equipements.

The refereeing committee took a important role in assessing and bringing support to the referees' needs for the entire competition period. The evaluation of the performance of the referees was positive a part from some little issues as no human work is perfect . It's also good to mention an excellent level of fair play due to the respect of both rules of the game and the regulations of the competition that therefore imposed a preventive work .before ,during and after the games among players ,referees and other officials

As a conclusion ,let it be admitted that thanks to the excellent preparation of the referees and assistant referees ,the performance of teams in the competition was very entertaining and successful .the refereeing impacted positively to the games .indeed 66 yellow cards and 3 red cards were shown and most of players ,technical staffs appreciated the excellent work of the referees and the other officials appointed for each game .



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XIV. SECURITY REPORT

By Police Commissioner Demba SARR
Exceptional Class Divisional
Safety officer at the FSF
President of the LOC / WAFU
Safety Committee 2019

Regarding the operational device, there was the Establishment of the Operational Command Post at the Lat Dior stadium composed of :

Members: Security Commission - Organizing Commission - FOX Security Chief - Police - Firefighters-Medical Commission - Stadium Director - BIP - Senelec.

Missions: Observe - Analyze - Prevent - Correct

10 - 15 minute security meeting organized every day from 4:00 p.m. at the PCO on match days

This device made the Probing of spectators and Search of unofficial vehicles compulsory before entering the stadium without forgetting the Supporters supervised and placed behind their sidelines in application of FIFA regulations.

The calm evacuation of supporters and spectators as well as the establishment of a BIP security corridor around the Loge stand was well done.



Security operational deployment

In the framework of the WAFU CUP OF Nations whose Organization brought together 16 West African countries in a relatively unstable sub-regional geopolitical situation unlike host country Senegal which enjoys security stability, ESPN / FOX's real will remains to ensure flawless security for the Tournament.

The objectives were essentially to ensure preventive security before -during and after the Tournament in order to reassure the participating delegations by a close security accompaniment to Obtain a flowless Tournament in terms of security.

The security zones covered were as follows: Saly - Thiès - Blaise Diagne Airports - Dakar - Any other place of Destination

As far as the means of safe deployment is concerned, note that 100 elements of the Mobile Intervention group (GMI) for the inner and outer belt, the bleachers, the handrail and the Parking; 10 sedentary elements at the LAT DIOR Stadium to secure ESPN logistics and infrastructure; 50 BNSP elements (fire men): 01 evacuation ambulance, 01 medical ambulance - 01 water tank; 30 elements of the BIP (Multipurpose Intervention Brigade of the National Police) for the close protection of officials and teams; 06 Police motorcyclists for the escorts of officials and teams and 75 Gendarmes for securing the site at SALY (Hôtel Club Royal, Center Diambars -Saly Hôtel) from September 28 to October 07.



During the 1st phase of this competition, let's underline the following major facts;

- Short circuit causing deterioration of the stadium electrical substation

- Sierra Leone vs Liberia match stopped 21 minutes from the end on September 30, 2019.

- Final stop after 45 minutes of regulatory debate .

- No incident or security disturbance noted during this incident

- Security all around major logistics during this period

- Supervision and evacuation of the public in hindrance.

- 2,000 to 3,000 spectators day matches with a capacity of 8,500 seats.

- 6,000 - 7,000 spectators day matches of SENEGAL

Note the following major corrective measures

- 550 K generator set installation

- Use of the generator instead of the SENELEC from 4 p.m. to 11 p.m. on the day of the competitions.

- Establishment of 02 sedentary SENELEC agents for better monitoring

- Implementation of a GMI element for security

- Real-time installation of an electrician

- Establishment of a group operator for maintenance and follow-up

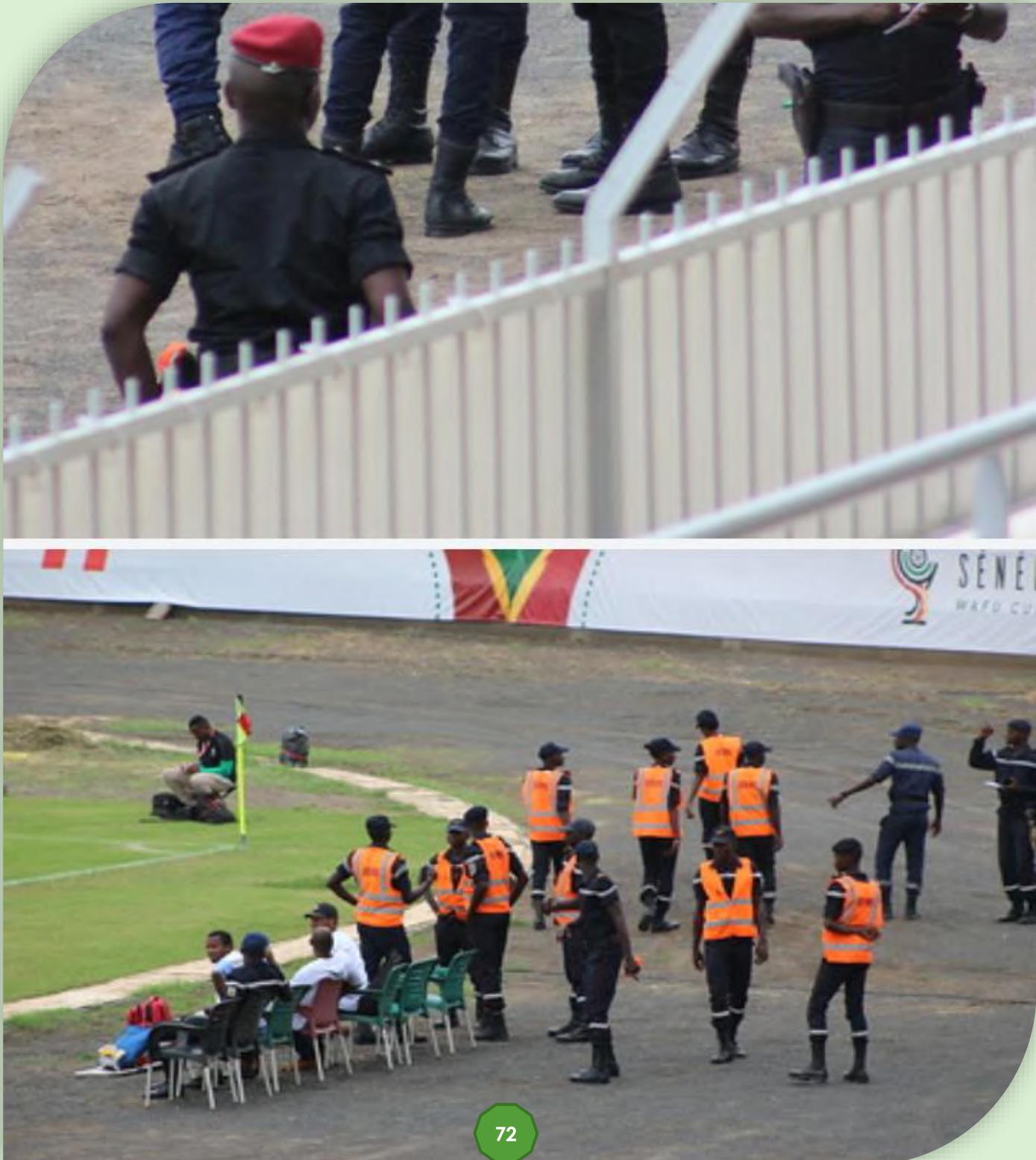




Security operational deployment

In conclusion, let us remember that thanks to the security devices in place throughout phase 1 and well coordinated through Collaboration, consultation and Communication Sharing with the FOX Security Manager. No incidents noted at THIES and SALY

For the rest of the competition it was a matter of Maintaining and monitoring the security system in real time Prevent and / or correct during security meetings of the Operational Command Post Thiès, October 04, 2019



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XV.MEDICAL REPORT



Players protection was the priority



As a routine at all WAFU tournaments teams doctors were asked to report on all injuries incurred by their players during each game. The collaboration of doctors of the teams was perfect with a response rate of 85%. There was 0.40% of injuries per match reported. So to say that not too much injuries recorded during this great tournament. The case of a player from BENIN whose leg broke down, was the most serious one.

BAILLY SERGE

Protecting players' health is one of the major mission of WAFU CUP OF NATIONS organizing committee and his partner ESPN. No player should be subject to any avoidable medical risk. To this end WAFU has in collaboration with its member associations standardized a pre-competition medical assessment.

This state of affair which is far better than that of the first edition in GHANA 2017.

This clear trend in overall reduction of the injuries is probably due to the players' better preparation and the strict refereeing concept.



XVI. WAFU OFFICIALS



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SIR SERGE
BAILLY
DIRECTOR OF
THE
COMPETITION

(COTE D'IVOIRE)



NAME	FUNCTION	COUNTRY
ANTONI SQUARE	WAFU A PRESIDENT	GUINEA
DJIBRILLA HIMA HAMIDOU	WAFU B PRESIDENT	NIGER
JAMMEH BOJANG	WAFU A GENERAL SECRETARY	GAMBIA
AKA MALAN	WAFU B GENERAL SECRETARY	COTE D'IVOIRE
BAILLY SERGE	WAFU COMPETITION DIRECTOR	COTE D'IVOIRE
TOMBONG JADAMA	WAFU COMPETITION SUPERVISOR	GAMBIA
ABOULAYE CISSE	GENERAL COORDINATOR	SENEGAL
BIAGUI FLORENCE	GENERAL COORDINATOR	SENEGAL
FRED ACHEAMPONG	GENERAL COORDINATOR	GHANA
BA S JABBI	MATCH COMMISSIONER	GAMBIA
EL IBRAHIM TIEMOGO	MATCH COMMISSIONER	NIGER
JAMES DEBAH	WAFU A TSG CHAIRPERSON	LIBERIA



FRED ACHEAMPONG	GENERAL COORDINATOR	GHANA
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The innovation of WAFU leaders to set up a Nations tournament for local players is a happy initiative. It has three major objectives:

- create a major sporting event in the sub-region with the effect of strengthening friendship and solidarity links between peoples and individuals
- giving young players the opportunity to play as many matches as possible in order to be more competitive.
- promote the detection of talents in order to better prepare them for external challenges. in the end all these objectives were achieved in a perfect symbiosis between athletes, managers and football authorities



The presence of CAF president Ahmad Ahmad at the final as well as that of Fatma Samoura, FIFA secretary general, testified to the interest that the world football governing body gives to what is being done in the sub-region.

Must we say it! The technical level of the tournament, result of the participants priceless commitment, satisfied the organizers and spectators.

Finally we take our hat off to the ESPN partner who made this great event football possible in West African.

Let's move forward to other challenges. long live African football.!





.BA .S.JABBI FROM THE GAMBIA

As one of the commissioners for the last WAFU CUP OF NATIONS in Thies ,the republic of Senegal .I was Briskly and professionally picked up at Njass airport by a chauffeured car to a comfortable accommodation and attended mature and truly interactive technical meetings which demonstrated amply the high level of professionalism of African football administrators

. I gave the best marks to all the presidents of WAFU zone A and B for being totally engaged with the process of sustaining football in west Africa on a high pedestal .

Apart from an unavoidable power outage caused a small melee regards match commissioning and match commissioners' work, all went on smoothly .this was largely due to the already established inbuilt support systems put in place .i would only wish to suggest that it's the tradition ,the referees ,the teams and other officials continue to respect the count down rules and times for punctuality of Matches and also I would like to urge the offices for commissioners continue to be equipped with all necessary tools for the works of the Match commissioners.

This will enable reports to be submitted without delay to the tournament directorate .

BRAVO to African Football administrations and **bravo** to two honorable presidents of WAFU zone A and B for their great leadership !



The WAFU Nations Cup Senegal 2019 which took place in Thiès was a resounding success due to its successful organization but also by the quality of the matches through a healthy rivalry between the teams of the two Zones in a good atmosphere marked by Fair play .

Indeed, the new format of this edition aroused more enthusiasm within the teams because two trophies were at stake and each team could access one of the two consecrations.



ELH TIEMOGO Ibrahim Moussa

The match coordinating meeting were well held with the adherence of participants in the spirit of celebrating the excellence within WAFU zones .

Nevertheless, it is necessary to report two cases of force majeure a bad weather and a cut of electricity which were well managed by the organization.

In addition, there are complaints from delegations on the number of rooms affected but above all on the standing concerning the heads of delegations who are mostly Vice Presidents.

These kinds of competitions deserve to be supported and encouraged by member associations and various partners for the full development of our athletes and populations.



XVII. FANS ZONES



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BAILLY SERGE

The 2019 WAFU CUP OF NATIONS played in SENEGAL in October 2019 kept its promises and had a resounding success thanks to the WAFU organizing committee and the local organizing committee who worked hand in hand for that. By the same token, we would like to thank the teams and athletes who produced top quality game for the pleasure of millions of viewers and fans, in Lat Dior stadium always crowded. Indeed, the stadium whose capacity is 8,000 places refused the mob for each of the 22 matches that we were offered.



We are grateful to the public who responded to the call of the Senegalese football federation, which has been a real source of motivation for all the actors of the said WAFU Cup of Nations which ended with another crowning of Senegal reigning in both WAFU A and WAFU B categories tournaments.

In this stadium mobbed with fans and geared with colorful backdrop and outlets, the sounds of vuvuzelas and tam-tams mingled with chants from football fans to applaud the brilliant actions produced. It was a magic moment to be continued for the good of the game in West Africa.



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ON THE ROTATION BASIS

