THE SUMMIT (DELEGATION OF POWERS AND FUNCTIONS) ACT, 2007

An Act of the Community to make provision for the delegation of powers and functions of the Summit.

ENACTED by the East African Community and assented to by the Heads of State.

Date of assent ..........................

Date of commencement ........................
FORM OF AUTHENTICATION STATEMENT

This printed impression has been carefully compared by me with the Bill which was passed by the East African Legislative Assembly and found by me to be a true copy of the Bill.

Signed: .........................................................

Clerk to the East African Legislative Assembly

Date of Authentication... S. 6th December 2007
FORM OF STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER ON
SUBMISSION OF ASSENT COPIES OF BILLS TO
HEADS OF STATE

Forwaded by me is the printed copy of the bill entitled

THE SUMMIT (DELEGATION OF POWERS AND
FUNCTIONS) BILL 2007

That was passed by the East African Legislative Assembly on the

26th day of September of 2007 for your assents.

Signed: ............................................................

Speaker of the East African Legislative Assembly
FORM OF STATEMENT OF THE HEADS OF STATES' ASSENT

I signify my assent to the Bill

Signed: 

President of the United Republic of Tanzania

Date of Assent: 28th December, 2007

Signed: 

President of the Republic of Kenya

Date of Assent: 12th February, 2008

Signed: 

President of the Republic of Uganda

Date of Assent: 5th January, 2008

Signed: 

President of the Republic of Burundi

Date of Assent: 29th April, 2008

Signed: 

President of the Republic of Rwanda

Date of Assent: 29th May, 2008
ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

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2. Interpretation.
3. Delegation.
4. Request for delegation of powers or functions.
5. Order for delegation.
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1 This Act may be cited as the Summit (Delegation of Powers and Functions) Act, 2007. Short title.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires— Interpretation.

"Council" means the Council of Ministers of the Community established by Article 9 of the Treaty;

"Gazette" means the Official Gazette of the Community;

"person" means a natural or legal person;
“Secretary General” means the Secretary General of the Community provided for under Article 67 of the Treaty;

“Summit” means the Summit established by Article 9 of the Treaty; and


3. Subject to the provisions of section 10, the Summit may delegate to a member of the Summit, the Council or to the Secretary General, the exercise of any power or the performance of any function vested in the Summit by the Treaty and specified in the schedule to this Act.

4. (1) Where a need arises for delegation of powers or functions of the Summit, a request shall be made through the Council to the Summit.

(2) The Summit shall consider the request for delegation and shall make a decision and inform the Council accordingly.

5. (1) A delegation of the exercise of powers or the performance of functions under section 3 shall be by an order in the Gazette.

(2) An order made under this section—

(a) may be made subject to such conditions, qualifications or exceptions as may be prescribed in the order;

(b) shall have effect from the date specified in the order;
(c) may be varied, amended or replaced by a subsequent order made in a like manner;

(d) shall operate and continue to confer powers and functions until it is revoked, by a subsequent order made in a like manner.

6. (1) The order shall specify—

(a) the nature of powers or functions to be delegated;

(b) the person to whom the powers or functions are delegated; and

(c) the duration of the delegation, if applicable.

(2) An order for delegation shall be signed by all the members of the Summit.

7. A power or function exercised or performed under delegation in accordance with section 3 shall be of the same effect as if it had been exercised or performed by the Summit.

8. (1) An order for delegation shall continue to be in force and effect until varied, amended, replaced or revoked by the Summit, or until it expires.

   (2) The revocation of an order made under this Act shall not affect the validity of anything previously done under any power or function so delegated.

9. The Summit shall not delegate the exercise or performance of any of the following powers or functions—

(a) the giving of general directions and impetus;
(b) the appointment of Judges to the East African Court of Justice;

(c) the admission of new members and granting of observer status to foreign countries; and

(d) the assent to Bills.
SCHEDULE

POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF SUMMIT

(1) Article 9 (1) (h) - Power to establish organs of the Community;
(2) Article 12 (5) - Power to determine the procedure for meetings;
(3) Article 24 (1) - Power to appoint judges;
(4) Article 26(1) - Power to remove judges;
(5) Article 51(2) - Power to determine the terms and conditions of service of the members of Assembly;
(6) Article 63(1) - Power to assent or withhold assent to a Bill of the Assembly;
(7) Article 67(1) - Power to appoint the Secretary General;
(8) Article 67(5) - Power to approve terms and conditions of the Secretary General;
(9) Article 68(1) - Power to appoint Deputy Secretaries General;
(10) Article 68(1) - Power to approve terms and conditions of service of Deputy Secretaries General; and
(11) Any such powers and functions as may be conferred upon it by this Treaty or any other law