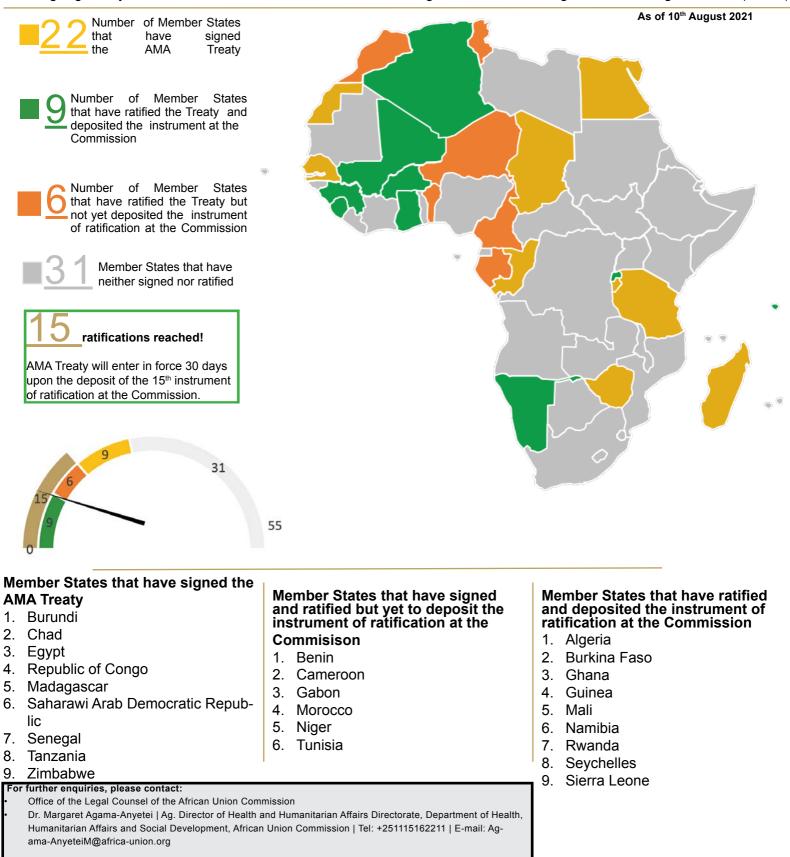


## African Medicines Agency (AMA)

The Treaty for the establishment of the African Medicines Agency (AMA) was adopted in February 2019, by the 32<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Assembly of Head of State and Government. The Assembly further called on its Member States to sign and ratify the Treaty in order for the Treaty to enter into force as soon as possible (Assembly/AU/Dec.735 (XXXII).

AMA will be the second continental health agency after the Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (<u>Africa CDC</u>), that will enhance the capacity of States Parties and Regional Economic Communities (RECs) to regulate medical products in order to improve access to quality, safe and efficacious medical products on the continent. AMA will also promote the adoption and harmonization of medical products regulatory policies and standards, as well as provide scientific guidelines and coordinate existing regulatory harmonization efforts in the African Union recognized RECs and Regional Health Organizations (RHOs).



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