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K. Y. Amoako served as the sixth Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) from 1995 - 2005. Under his leadership, ECA revamped its research and advocacy work to ensure it is policy relevant and at the cutting edge of Africa's development agenda.

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