



ARRIVAL OF JOHN MENSAH

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OL Groupe today announced it had signed John Mensah, the 25-year old Ghanaian international central defender from French club Rennes.

Mensah has signed for 5 years with Olympique Lyonnais under a contract until 30 June 2013. The amount of the transfer was €8.4 million under French accounting standards.

"Mensah was one of the best defenders in the French championship last season. He is explosive and quick and I'm very pleased to welcome him. With Mensah, Cris and Boumsong OL now has three world-class central defenders and is perfectly set up in this area of play for the 2008-09 season." commented the club's manager, Claude Puel.

Since the beginning of 2008 Olympique Lyonnais has invested over €60 M in acquiring the following players: Delgado, Boumsong, Ederson, Lloris, Pjanic, Makoun and Mensah.

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