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Document

1. Draft Agenda and schedule of meetings – to adopt

ICC-96-0 Rev. 1
EB-3899/05

2. Votes and credentials

2.1 Votes in the Council for coffee year 2005/06 – to approve

EB-3895/05 Rev. 6

The Secretary will report.

**2.2 Initial distribution of votes in the Council
for coffee year 2006/07 – to approve**

ED-1997/06 Rev. 1
ED-1998/06 Rev. 1
EB-3918/06

Paragraph (5) of Article 13 of the Agreement provides that the distribution of votes shall be determined by the Council at the beginning of each coffee year. Under the provisions of Article 13, the votes of exporting Members and of importing Members are based on their exports and imports respectively in the preceding four calendar years. Documents ED-1997/06 Rev. 1 and ED-1998/06 Rev. 1 showing the statistical basis for the proposed distribution of votes and the initial distribution of votes for coffee year 2006/07 have been circulated.

2.3 Credentials – to approve

verbal

The Chairman will examine credentials with the assistance of the Secretariat.

3. Admission of observers – *to consider and decide* WP-Council No. 141/06

The Council will consider a document outlining draft procedures for the admission of observers to Council sessions.

4. Membership of the International Coffee Agreement (ICA) 2001 – *to note* EB-3886/05 Rev. 2

As at 12 September 2006, there were 75 Members of the Organization, comprising 45 exporting and 30 importing countries. The Executive Director will report on the current situation of membership and on contacts with non-member countries.

The representative of the EC will report on progress by EU Member states in completing procedures for membership of the ICA 2001.

5. Coffee market situation – *to note* ED-Letter August 2006
WP-Board No. 1010/06
ICC-96-7

The Executive Director will present reports on the market situation and the most important developments during coffee year 2005/06. Document WP-Board No. 1010/06 contains the final official estimate for the Brazilian coffee crop for 2005/06 and the third production estimate for 2006/07.

6. Future of the ICA 2001 – *to consider* WP-Council
No. 140/06 Rev. 4
WP-Council No. 142/06
WP-Board No. 1004/06
WP-Board No. 1006/06
WP-Board No. 1007/06
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WP-Board No. 1017/06
WP-Board No. 1018/06

In May 2006, the Council noted the importance of setting a deadline for receipt of proposals on the future of the ICA 2001 as contributions received at a late stage made it difficult to study these and opened up debate on new issues, delaying progress. Contributions were subsequently received from Burundi, Cameroon, Honduras, Madagascar, the EC, Vietnam and the USA. Documents containing an updated summary of proposals and outlining areas of agreement and disagreement on the ICA 2001 have been circulated (WP-Council No. 140/06 Rev. 4 and WP-Council No. 142/06).

As requested at the last meeting, the Executive Director will briefly outline the key achievements and shortcomings of the 2001 Agreement. The Chairman of the PSCB will report on the extraordinary meeting of the PSCB held on 24 September to discuss the future of the 2001 Agreement. Members may also like to note that the Statistics Committee will consider future statistical priorities at its meeting this week.

to follow

7. Coffee development projects already approved by the Common Fund for Commodities (CFC) – to note EB-3904/06 Rev. 2

The Head of Operations will report on projects already approved by the CFC. Reports will be circulated for the following projects:

- **Potential for diversification in coffee exporting countries:** Executive Summary and CD-Rom with full report. ICC-96-3
CD-Rom
- **Enhancement of coffee quality through prevention of mould formation (Concluded):** The final technical and management reports will be circulated on CD-Rom together with a copy of the CD-Rom training tool “Good Hygiene Practices along the coffee chain”. Documents ED-1992/06 and ICC-96-4 respectively contain the Executive Summaries of a socio-economic study and the final technical report. ED-1992/06
ICC-96-4
CD-Roms
- **Strengthening the commercial, financial, management and business capacity of small coffee producers/exporters in Mexico and Nicaragua (Concluded):** A Producers’ Guide has been circulated. ICC-96-5
- **Pilot rehabilitation of neglected coffee plantations into small family production units in Angola:** A progress report has been circulated. ICC-96-1
- **Improving coffee quality in East and Central Africa through enhanced processing practices (Rwanda and Ethiopia):** A progress report has been circulated. ICC-96-2

8. Programme of activities for 2006/07 – to consider and to approve EB-3912/06 Rev. 1

The Chairman of the Executive Board will report.

9. Report by the Chairman of the Private Sector Consultative Board (PSCB) – to note/to approve verbal

The Chairman of the PSCB will report on the meeting of 27 September 2006.

10. Statistical and economic data services

10.1 Report by the Chairman of the Statistics Committee – to note verbal

The Chairman of the Statistics Committee will report on the meeting of 27 September 2006.

10.2 Statistics Committee for 2006/07 and 2007/08 – to appoint

verbal

The terms of reference for the Statistics Committee (document EB-3833/02) require the Council to approve the names of representatives or experts designated by exporting and importing Members and by the Executive Director (two in each category) for a term of office for two coffee years. The current Members of the Statistics Committee are:

Exporting Members: Mr. Alberto Duque Portugal (Brazil), Mr. Andrés Valencia Pinzón (Colombia)

Importing Members: Mr. Rob Simmons (LMC International Ltd, UK), Mr. Neil Rosser (Neumann Kaffee Gruppe, Germany)

Executive Director: Mr. David Brooks (USA), Mr. Corneille Tabalo (Democratic Republic of Congo)

11. Sustainability – to consider

WP-Council No. 143/06

In January 2006, the Executive Director circulated a draft definition of sustainability to assist Members in replying to the survey on sustainability (document ED-1981/06). In May 2006, the Council noted that this would be considered in the context of discussions on the future of the Agreement. Document WP-Council No. 143/06 contains a check list of ICO documents relating to sustainability. The representative of the Sustainable Coffee Partnership will report on the meeting of the Steering Committee held on 26 September.

Document ED-1978/05 requested Members who had not yet sent their contributions on the survey on the sustainability of the coffee sector to do so as soon as possible. Copies of submissions received to date have been circulated in document EB-3893/05 and its Addendum. The Executive Director will report on this and on other relevant initiatives.

12. Studies and reports – to consider

Mixtures and substitutes: Article 36 of the Agreement states that the Executive Director shall submit to the Council a periodic report on compliance with the provisions of this Article.

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United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC): In January 2006, the Board requested the Executive Director to contact the UNFCCC and identify ways of including coffee in the Clean Development Mechanism. The Executive Director will report on further contacts with organizations in the field of climate change since May 2006.

verbal

- 13. Phytosanitary matters – *to consider*** verbal
- In January 2006, producing countries issued a declaration urging the EU to reject the adoption of maximum OTA levels for green coffee. The representative of the EC will report.
- The Executive Director will report on information related to pesticide residues in exporting countries for an EU review of Maximum Residue Levels of pesticides.
- 14. Cooperation with other agencies – *to note*** verbal
- The Executive Director will report on cooperation with relevant international organizations.
- 15. Promotion Committee – *to consider*** verbal
- The Chairman of the Promotion Committee will report. Article 34 of the Agreement provides that the Promotion Committee shall report regularly to the Council. Members may wish to consider whether this item should be maintained on the Agenda of the Council in view of the fact that the composition of both bodies is the same.
- 16. National coffee policies – *to note*** verbal
- Member countries are invited to report on changes in coffee policies in their countries and to provide copies of statements and other information for circulation to Members. The representative of the EC may report on the EU review of International Commodity Bodies.
- 17. Financial and Administrative matters**
- 17.1 Draft Administrative Budget for the financial year 2006/07 – *to approve*** WP-Board No. 997/06
- The Chairman of the Executive Board will report.
- 17.2 Outstanding contributions/payment of arrears – *to consider/ to approve***
- The Council will consider the recommendations of the Finance Committee and the Board on a policy on outstanding contributions and the payment of arrears. verbal
- As recommended by the Finance Committee, the representatives of the Democratic Republic of Congo, Malawi, Nicaragua, Uganda and Zimbabwe will be invited to make statements explaining the circumstances which have prevented them settling their outstanding contributions. verbal

17.3 Other financial and administrative matters – *to note* verbal

The Chairman of the Executive Board will report on other financial and administrative matters considered by the Board including the financial situation, the appointment of the registered auditors and the Finance Committee composition for 2006/07 – 2007/08.

18. Elections for coffee year 2006/07 verbal

18.1 Chairperson and Vice-Chairpersons of the Council – *to elect*

According to Article 11 of the Agreement the Chairperson and first Vice-Chairperson this year should be elected from among the representatives of importing Members. The second and third Vice-Chairpersons should be elected from among the representatives of exporting Member countries. Previous Chairpersons from importing Member countries were from Belgium (2002/03) and Switzerland (2004/05).

18.2 Executive Board – *to elect*

Voting procedures are outlined in Article 18 of the Agreement and Rule 46 of the *Rules of the Organization*.

18.3 Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the Executive Board – *to elect*

Article 17 of the Agreement provides that the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson should both be from the same category of membership. For 2006/07, precedent indicates that this should be from the category of exporting Members. Previous Chairpersons from exporting Member countries were from Papua New Guinea (2002/03) and Côte d'Ivoire (2004/05).

19. Other business – *to consider* verbal

20. Future meetings verbal

The next Session of the Council will take place at the headquarters of the Organization in London from 21 – 25 May 2007 – *to note*

Members are invited to suggest topics for presentations during these meetings, for inclusion on the Agenda, and improvements to future meeting arrangements – *to consider*