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Communication received from Côte d'Ivoire

Background

1. As provided for in paragraph 6 of Article 6 of the International Coffee Agreement 2001, “any Contracting Party or designated territory which is a party to a Member group may, by notification to the Council, withdraw from that group and become a separate Member. Such withdrawal shall take effect upon receipt of the notification by the Council. If a party to a Member group withdraws from that group or ceases to participate in the Organization, the remaining parties to the group may apply to the Council to maintain the group; the group shall continue to exist unless the Council disapproves the application”.

2. The Executive Director has received the attached communication from Côte d'Ivoire indicating that they are withdrawing from OAMCAF and will become a separate Member under the 2001 Agreement.

Action

The Executive Board and Council are requested to note this document.

**PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF COTE D'IVOIRE TO
INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY ORGANIZATIONS**

25 January 2005

Mr. Néstor Osorio
Executive Director
International Coffee Organization
22 Berners Street
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Sir,

Subject: Withdrawal of Côte d'Ivoire from OAMCAF

I have the honour to inform you that the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire withdrew from the agreement on the establishment of the *Organisation africaine et malgache du café* (OAMCAF) on 30 September 2004.

As a consequence, Côte d'Ivoire will cease to be a Member of the said organization with effect from 1 October 2005.

It will, however, continue to participate in the ICO as a separate Member.

In these circumstances, the Permanent Representation of Côte d'Ivoire to International Commodity Organizations based in London will not be representing OAMCAF in the forthcoming coffee year.

I should be grateful if you would make the necessary arrangements to recalculate the votes of Côte d'Ivoire in the Council and Executive Board and adjust the country's contributions for coffee year 2005/06.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Saint-Cyr Djikalou
 Permanent Representative of OAMCAF to the
 International Coffee Organization