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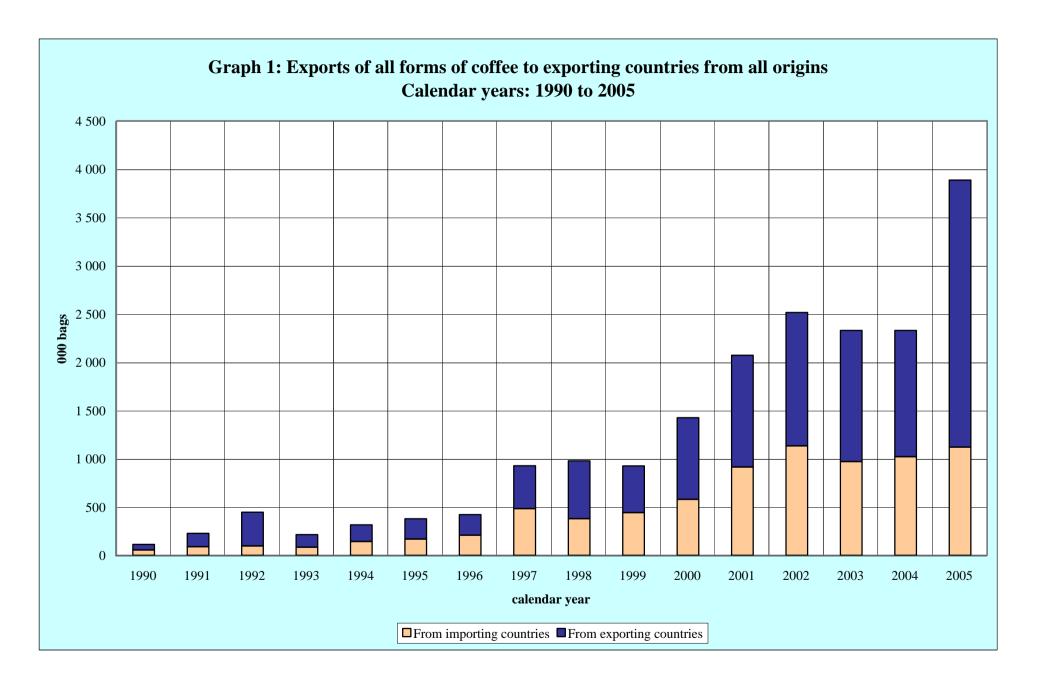
Exports of all forms of coffee to exporting countries Calendar years 1990 to 2005

## **Background**

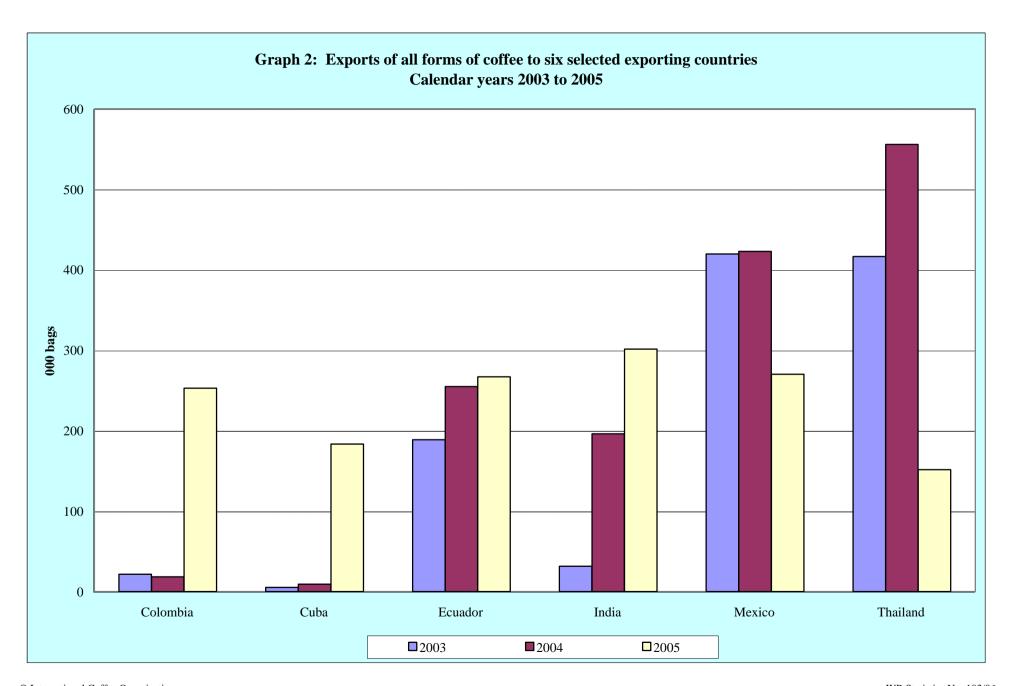
- 1. At its meeting in May 2006 the Statistics Committee requested the Secretariat to prepare a table showing exports of all forms of coffee to exporting countries from all origins to enable the Committee to analyse this trend.
- 2. It should be noted that in accordance with the Rules on Statistics contained in document EB-3830/02, exporting Members are requested to provide information on total imports by month, by form of coffee and by origin. However, over the years it has been assumed that the volume of coffee exported to exporting countries was negligible and, therefore, very few exporting Members have complied with this request.
- 3. In June 2006 the Executive Director contacted exporting countries where, according to information received from both importing and exporting countries, the volume of exports of all forms of coffee destined thereto were, on average, greater than 5,000 bags GBE (green bean equivalent). Replies are still awaited from most countries on this matter.
- 4. Graph 1 shows total exports of all forms of coffee from all origins from 1990 to 2005. This volume has increased considerably from 1990 when just over 100,000 bags were recorded. Total exports to exporting countries were below 500,000 bags from 1990 to 1996; below 1.5 million bags from 1997 to 2000; unchanged in 2003 and 2004 – when they reached a total of 2.33 million bags in each year. However, in 2005, exports increased by nearly 67% to 3.88 million bags compared to the previous year.
- It should be noted that coffee exports to some exporting countries decreased between 2003 and 2005. However, exports to Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, India, Mexico and Thailand appear to be over 150,000 bags GBE in 2005. Graph 2 shows exports to these six countries from 2003 to 2005.

## Action

The Statistics Committee is requested to analyse the results presented in this document and to make the appropriate recommendations for action.



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