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**Communication received from the  
Government of Mexico to host the  
121<sup>st</sup> Session of the International  
Coffee Council and other ICO  
meetings from 9 to 13 April 2018**

The Executive Director presents his compliments and has the pleasure of confirming that the 121<sup>st</sup> Session of the International Coffee Council and other ICO meetings will take place in Mexico from 9 to 13 April 2018. The attached communication received from the Government of Mexico follows the proposal approved at the 120<sup>th</sup> Session of the International Coffee Council. More information will be circulated in due course.

**EMBASSY OF MEXICO**

London, 11 October 2017

Mr José Dauster Sette  
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Dear Mr Sette,

I have pleasure in forwarding the attached letter from Mr José Eduardo Calzada Roviroso, Secretary of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food, dated 25 September 2017.

The purpose of this letter is to follow up on your recent visit to Mexico and, in particular, the meeting with SAGARPA officials on 2 August 2017 which focused on the forthcoming meetings of the International Coffee Organization in 2018.

Accordingly, as expressed by the Mexican Delegation that participated in the 120<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council held in Yamoussoukro, Côte d'Ivoire, from 25 to 29 September, the letter from Secretary Calzada Roviroso confirms Mexico's interest and commitment to host the 121<sup>st</sup> Session of the International Coffee Council and other ICO meetings in Mexico City from 9 to 13 April 2018.

Through this the Government of Mexico reiterates its intention in contributing to the strengthening of the Organization and its work under its new leadership, as well as demonstrating its firm commitment to the producing and consuming countries.

I would be very grateful if you could convey this information to the ICO Member countries.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew the assurances of my highest consideration.

(signed) Julián Ventura  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative to International Organisations

**SAGARPA**  
**MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK,**  
**RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FISHERIES AND FOOD**

Mexico City, 25 September 2017

Mr José Dauster Sette  
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Dear Mr Sette,

It is a pleasure to send my greetings and to put myself at your disposal to work hand in hand, from Mexico, in support of the global coffee sector.

I also take this opportunity to share with you our interest in hosting the next Session of the International Coffee Council scheduled for the first half of 2018. This proposal reaffirms our desire to continue promoting and developing the coffee culture in Mexico. We aim to become a major player, one that has an important impact on the coffee sector worldwide. For this reason, I request that you accept this proposal and submit our candidature for the consideration of the Member countries of the International Coffee Organization and the Secretariat of the ICO. We hope that as a result we will be granted this opportunity to take on and benefit from the important responsibilities that this event entails.

Holding this meeting in Mexico is an opportunity to show the world our commitment to producing and consuming countries, and our understanding of the challenges facing the coffee sector. It is also an opportunity for the sector to get in-depth knowledge of our potential firsthand and as a result contribute to enriching the exchange of technical, scientific, legal, commercial and economic information.

I thank you in advance for the attention given to this matter, and I look forward to your kind comments.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

(signed)            José Eduardo Calzada Rovirosa  
                                 Secretary