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International Coffee Council 122<sup>nd</sup> Session 17 to 21 September 2018 London, United Kingdom **International Coffee Agreement 2007** 

Draft Resolution extending the time limit for ratification, acceptance, approval or accession

# **Background**

- 1. The Council will consider a draft Resolution extending the time limit for the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.
- 2. In September 2017 the Council approved Resolution 461 extending the deadline for ratification, acceptance, approval or accession to the International Coffee Agreement (ICA) 2007 for a further year. The current deadline is 28 September 2018.
- 3. As a number of Governments require more time to complete the procedures for the 2007 Agreement, Members may wish to consider extending the time for the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession for a further year until 30 September 2019.
- 4. Members are invited to send any comments on this draft Resolution to the Executive Director in writing by **24 August 2018.**

## **Action**

The Council is requested to consider and, if appropriate, to approve this document.

### **INTERNATIONAL COFFEE AGREEMENT 2007**

#### **DRAFT RESOLUTION**

# Extension of the time limit for ratification, acceptance, approval or accession

#### WHEREAS:

Paragraph (3) of Article 40 of the International Coffee Agreement 2007 stipulates that the Council may decide to grant extensions of time to signatory Governments that are unable to deposit their instruments by 30 September 2008;

Under the terms of paragraph 1 of Resolution 461 the period for the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance or approval of the International Coffee Agreement 2007 is further extended to 28 September 2018;

Under the terms of paragraph 2 of Resolution 461, Governments eligible for membership in accordance with Article 43 of the Agreement may accede by depositing an instrument of accession with the Organization no later than 28 September 2018 or such other time as the Council may decide; and

A number of Governments have indicated that they require additional time to deposit the required instruments,

THE INTERNATIONAL COFFEE COUNCIL

#### **RESOLVES:**

- 1. To extend the period for the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance or approval of the International Coffee Agreement 2007 with the Depositary under the provisions of Article 40 of the Agreement and of Resolution 461 from 28 September 2018 to 30 September 2019.
- 2. To extend the period for the deposit of instruments of accession to the International Coffee Agreement 2007 with the Depositary under the provisions of Article 43 of the Agreement and of Resolution 461 from 28 September 2018 to 30 September 2019 or such other time as the Council may decide.