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Communication from the Democratic Republic of the Congo on the candidacy of Mr Joseph Antoine Kasonga Mukuta to the post of Executive Director of the International Coffee Organization

## Background

The Executive Director presents his compliments and attaches, for the information of Members, a communication from the Democratic Republic of the Congo on the candidacy of Mr Joseph Antoine Kasonga Mukuta to the post of Executive Director of the International Coffee Organization.

## MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

Mr José Sette Executive Director International Coffee Organization London

Subject: Candidacy of Mr Joseph Antoine Kasonga Mukuta to the post of Executive Director of the International Coffee Organization

Acknowledgement of receipt

Dear Mr Sette,

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 1 September 2021 in relation to the abovementioned subject and I thank you for it.

In response, I would like to note that Mr Joseph Antoine Kasonga Mukuta has the experience and expertise to carry out the functions of Executive Director of the ICO, despite his lack of command of the English language.

Indeed, I would ask the Council to consider that the command of the English language should not be the determining factor for a multilingual organization.

Please accept, Mr Sette, the expression of my highest consideration

(Signed) Désiré M'zinga Birihanze