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> Numbering of Certificates of Origin from 1 October 2008

1. The Executive Director presents his compliments and wishes to remind exporting Members that, since a new coffee year commences on 1 October 2008, the serial numbering of Certificates of Origin should begin at "1" on **1 October 2008** and proceed <u>consecutively</u> until 30 September 2009 **regardless of the final destination of the coffee – be it a Member or a non-member country**.

2. Details of the system of reference numbering for Certificates of Origin are given in paragraph 4 of Annex II-B of document EB-3775/01: Rules on Statistics – System of Certificates of Origin.

3. Exporting Members are also reminded that in accordance with Resolution 420, additional information in respect of the quality of the coffee is requested to be entered in Box 17 of each Certificate of Origin issued to cover coffee shipments.

4. The Organization will provide assistance with any requests received from exporting Members who may encounter internal difficulties in bringing the Rules into effect.

5. It would be appreciated if this information could be forwarded to all Certifying Agencies of all exporting Members as soon as possible.