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**Preparations for implementation of the
International Coffee Agreement 2007**

Communication from Indonesia

The attached communication was received from Indonesia in response to the invitation to Members to send to the Executive Director by 29 February 2008 suggestions and contributions to assist him in the preparation of documents in connection with the 2007 Agreement (see document WP-Council 162/08 – Preparations for the implementation of the International Coffee Agreement 2007).

Action

The Council is requested to consider this document.



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Dear Mr. Osorio,

Re: Preparations for Implementation of the International Coffee Agreement 2007

In reply to your request I am writing to give the Indonesian position on some of the issues raised in WP 162/08, are as follows :

Promotion.

This remains a key issue for the future and we regret that no major progress has been possible under the last ICA. We suggest that the Consumer Members should be asked to put forward proposals with or separately from Producer Members and the Producer Members should do likewise. These could be studied early in 2009.

Project

Projects have assumed greater importance and there has been no shortage of proposals, funding is a problem, however, and we request that new sources should be found. Clearly reliance on the CFC is unwise if confidence in this area of work is to be restored.

Finance and Administration.

The creation of this new committee is important and its successful operation will influence the new ICA. We believe that proposals from the Head of Finance and the Chairman of the Finance committee should be considered carefully and therefore we will wait before making any comments of our own. Our proposal for Membership would be a 10 member committee of 5 from both Consumer and Producer Members. The committee should also have Power to co-opt for specific purposes where necessary.

Cost of Operation.

Member Governments have to be assured that efficient work is undertaken. The removal of the EB creates an opportunity for a comprehensive review which could be a priority of the new committee. Duplication of work and documentation will be

avoided resulting in substantial savings. Reducing the number of meetings will also help.

We take this opportunity to thank you for putting forward the above document and look forward to the next discussion on the matters proposed.

Your sincerely,



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