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International Coffee Agreements 2001 and 2007
Proposal from Ecuador

Background

The attached proposal to amend the draft Resolution entitled “Extension of the time limit for ratification, acceptance or approval of the International Coffee Agreement 2007” contained in Annex II of document WP-Council 183/08 has been received from Ecuador.

Action

The Council is requested to consider this document.
EMBASSY OF ECUADOR

Note No. 4/7/37/2008

The Permanent Representative of Ecuador to the International Coffee Organization (ICO) presents his compliments to the Secretariat of the Honourable International Coffee Organization and has the honour to submit a proposal to amend Annex II of document WP-Council 183/08 of 9 September 2008 entitled “Extension of the time limit for ratification, acceptance or approval of the International Coffee Agreement 2007”.

The Permanent Representative of Ecuador to the International Coffee Organization avails himself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the Honourable International Coffee Organization the assurances of his highest consideration.

London, 22 September, 2008

To the Honourable
International Coffee Organization (ICO)
London.-
AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF ECUADOR

EXTENSION OF THE TIME LIMIT FOR SIGNATURE, RATIFICATION, ACCEPTANCE OR APPROVAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL COFFEE AGREEMENT 2007

WHEREAS:

The percentage of votes held by the signatory Governments that have deposited the instruments specified in Article 40 of the International Coffee Agreement 2007 is not sufficient for the entry into force of the Agreement under the provisions of Article 42;

Paragraph (3) of Article 40 of the Agreement 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; and

A number of Governments have indicated that they require more time to complete the deposit of the instruments mentioned in paragraph (3) of Article 40,

THE INTERNATIONAL COFFEE COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

To extend the period for the deposit of instruments of signature until 31 December 2008, and to extend the period for 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 from 30 September 2008 to 30 September 2009.