1. The Executive Director presents his compliments and wishes to remind exporting Members about their obligations with regard to Rule 3 of the Rules of Statistics – Certificates of Origin (ICC-102-9 Rev. 1). The Secretariat had received information concerning a shipment where neither the bags nor the container had the ICO identification mark or any ICO reference. In accordance with Rule 3 of the Rules of Statistics – Certificates of Origin: Marking of bags and other packaging for export, “Every export of coffee shall receive an International Coffee Organization identification mark that shall be unique to the parcel of coffee concerned. The identification mark shall be printed inside a box on all the bags or other packaging, or stamped on a metal strip affixed to the bags or other packaging, and shall be shown on the relevant Certificate of Origin.”


3. The Organization will endeavour to assist exporting Members who may encounter difficulties in implementing the Rules on Statistics – Certificates of Origin.

4. It would be appreciated if these instructions could be forwarded to the Certifying Agencies of all exporting Members as soon as possible.