The Executive Director attaches, for the information of ICO Members, a Note Verbale sent by the Government of Brazil which thanks the international community for its support and solidarity following recent events in Brasília.
The Permanent Representation of Brazil to International Organisations in London presents its compliments to the International Coffee Organization and has the honour to forward the following communiqué issued by the Brazilian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on January 9, 2023:

"The Ministry of Foreign Affairs expresses gratitude and acknowledges the numerous expressions of support and solidarity received from the international community, through the most diverse channels, in the face of the coup-mongering violence registered yesterday (8/1) at the "Esplanada dos Ministérios", in Brasília.

The inauguration ceremony of President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva, a celebration of democracy that was attended by more than 60 high-level international delegations, represented a recognition of the solidity of Brazilian democratic institutions. In the same sense, since yesterday, countries and international organizations have unanimously and vehemently repudiated the acts of terrorism and vandalism that shocked Brazil and the world.

The Brazilian State and its democratic institutions will once again know how to respond to the seriousness of the crimes committed. The Brazilian Government and Itamaraty will continue, with determination, to defend and act in accordance with the precepts of the 1988 Constitution, under which the country records the longest period of democratic coexistence in its republican history."

The Permanent Representation of Brazil to International Organisations in London requests this note to be circulated among International Coffee Organization member-states.

The Permanent Representation of Brazil to International Organisations in London avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the International Coffee Organization the assurances of its highest consideration.

London, 10 January 2023