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**Depositary for the  
International Coffee Agreement 2007**

WHEREAS:

The International Coffee Council has approved Resolution 431 adopting the text of the International Coffee Agreement 2007 at its 98<sup>th</sup> Session on 28 September 2007;

The Treaty Section of the United Nations in New York has informed the Executive Director that the Secretary-General of the United Nations is not in a position to be the Depositary for all the authentic texts of the 2007 Agreement;

The Council noted that the Executive Director would review the legal and financial options for the designation of a Depositary for the 2007 Agreement;

Paragraph (1) of Article 76 (Depositaries of Treaties) of the 1969 Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties provides that the designation of the depositary of a treaty may be made by the negotiating States, and that the depositary may be one or more States, an international organization or the chief administrative officer of the organization; and

Paragraph (10) of Article 2 of the International Coffee Agreement 2007 provides that the Council shall designate the Depositary by a consensus decision before 31 January 2008 and that such a decision shall form an integral part of the 2007 Agreement,

THE INTERNATIONAL COFFEE COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

1. To designate the International Coffee Organization as the Depositary for the International Coffee Agreement 2007.
2. To request the Executive Director, in his capacity as chief administrative officer of the International Coffee Organization, to take the necessary steps to ensure that the Organization performs the functions of the Depositary for the 2007 Agreement, in a manner consistent with the 1969 Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties, including but not limited to:
  - (a) Keeping custody of the original text of the Agreement and of any Full Powers delivered to the Depositary.
  - (b) Preparing and circulating certified true copies of the original Agreement.
  - (c) Receiving any signatures to the Agreement, and receiving and keeping custody of any instruments, notifications and communications relating to it.
  - (d) Examining whether the signature or any instrument, notification or communication relating to the Agreement is in due and proper form.
  - (e) Circulating acts, notifications and communications relating to the Agreement.
  - (f) Advising when the number of instruments of ratification, acceptance or approval, or notifications of provisional application, required for the entry or provisional entry into force of the Agreement as set out in Article 42 thereof, have been deposited.
  - (g) Registering the Agreement with the Secretariat of the United Nations.
  - (h) In the event of any questions about the performance of the Depositary's functions, bringing the matter to the attention of the signatories and Contracting Parties, or, where appropriate, to the International Coffee Council.