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**Initial distribution of votes in the Council for
coffee year 2022/23 in accordance with the
provisions of paragraph (6) of Article 12 of
the International Coffee Agreement 2007**

(Calculated as at 15 September 2022)

Background

1. This document contains the revised initial distribution of votes in the Council for coffee year 2022/23, calculated in accordance with the relevant provisions of Article 12 of the 2007 Agreement.
2. In order to permit the Council to take a decision on the distribution of votes for each category of Member in coffee year 2022/23, it is necessary, in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs (3) and (4) of Article 12, to establish the average volume of exports of coffee to all destinations (exporting Members) and of imports of coffee from all sources (importing Members), over the preceding four calendar years from 2018 to 2021. The votes for exporting and importing Members have been calculated on the basis of the statistical data contained in document [ED-2410/22 Rev. 1](#).
3. This initial distribution of votes, as shown in Tables 1 and 2, is based on the membership of the Organization under the International Coffee Agreement 2007 as at 15 September 2022.
4. The redistribution of votes, as shown in Tables 3 and 4, is based on the provisions of [ICC Resolution 470](#), which temporarily suspends Members in persistent arrears.

Action

The Council is requested to approve this document.

TABLE 1
EXPORTING MEMBERS
INITIAL DISTRIBUTION OF VOTES IN THE COUNCIL
COFFEE YEAR 2022/23
As at 15 SEPTEMBER 2022

Exporting Members	Average	Percentage	Votes			Percentage
	exports (60-kg bags)	share in total exports	Basic	Proportional	Total	share of all votes
TOTAL	110,446,782	100.00	210	790	1,000	50.00
Angola	18,150	0.02	5	0	5	0.25
Bolivia	23,235	0.02	5	0	5	0.25
Brazil	40,126,696	36.33	5	287	292	14.60
Burundi	259,809	0.24	5	2	7	0.35
Cameroon	226,458	0.21	5	2	7	0.35
Central African Republic	31,800	0.03	5	0	5	0.25
Colombia	12,873,675	11.66	5	92	97	4.85
Congo, Dem. Rep. of	187,507	0.17	5	1	6	0.30
Costa Rica	1,119,536	1.01	5	8	13	0.65
Côte d'Ivoire	1,457,725	1.32	5	10	15	0.75
Cuba	21,535	0.02	5	0	5	0.25
Ecuador	487,901	0.44	5	4	9	0.45
El Salvador	463,809	0.42	5	3	8	0.40
Ethiopia	3,821,727	3.46	5	27	32	1.60
Gabon	12	0.00	5	0	5	0.25
Ghana	7,859	0.01	5	0	5	0.25
Honduras	6,311,148	5.71	5	45	50	2.50
India	5,984,506	5.42	5	43	48	2.40
Indonesia	6,282,371	5.69	5	45	50	2.50
Kenya	774,153	0.70	5	6	11	0.55
Liberia	2,454	0.00	5	0	5	0.25
Madagascar	20,250	0.02	5	0	5	0.25
Malawi	13,947	0.01	5	0	5	0.25
Mexico	2,907,621	2.63	5	21	26	1.30
Nepal	1,201	0.00	5	0	5	0.25
Nicaragua	2,615,110	2.37	5	19	24	1.20
Nigeria	3,947	0.00	5	0	5	0.25
Panama	44,898	0.04	5	0	5	0.25
Papua New Guinea	769,924	0.70	5	6	11	0.55
Peru	3,682,013	3.33	5	26	31	1.55
Philippines	5,164	0.00	5	0	5	0.25
Rwanda	322,139	0.29	5	2	7	0.35
Sierra Leone	34,897	0.03	5	0	5	0.25
Tanzania	926,983	0.84	5	7	12	0.60
Thailand	216,517	0.20	5	2	7	0.35
Timor-Leste	96,627	0.09	5	1	6	0.30
Togo	59,706	0.05	5	1	6	0.30
Venezuela	31,252	0.03	5	0	5	0.25
Vietnam	18,145,217	16.43	5	130	135	6.75
Yemen	28,987	0.03	5	0	5	0.25
Zambia	32,733	0.03	5	0	5	0.25
Zimbabwe	5,581	0.01	5	0	5	0.25

TABLE 2
IMPORTING MEMBERS
INITIAL DISTRIBUTION OF VOTES IN THE COUNCIL
COFFEE YEAR 2022/23
As at 15 SEPTEMBER 2022

Importing Members	Average imports (60-kg bags)	Percentage share in total imports	Basic	Votes		Percentage share of all votes
				Proportional	Total	
TOTAL	102,779,671	100.00	35	965	1,000	50.00
European Union	79,056,605	76.92	5	661	666	33.30
Austria						
Belgium/Luxembourg						
Bulgaria						
Croatia						
Cyprus						
Czech Republic						
Denmark						
Estonia						
Finland						
France						
Germany						
Greece						
Hungary						
Ireland						
Italy						
Latvia						
Lithuania						
Malta						
Netherlands						
Poland						
Portugal						
Romania						
Slovakia						
Slovenia						
Spain						
Sweden						
Japan	7,611,441	7.41	5	97	102	5.10
Norway	780,492	0.76	5	10	15	0.75
Russian Federation	6,209,119	6.04	5	80	85	4.25
Switzerland	3,418,230	3.33	5	44	49	2.45
Tunisia	519,481	0.51	5	7	12	0.60
United Kingdom	5,184,302	5.04	5	66	71	3.55

TABLE 3
EXPORTING MEMBERS
REDISTRIBUTION - EXCLUDING COUNTRIES WITH CONTRIBUTIONS IN ARREARS OVER 21 MONTHS
COFFEE YEAR 2022/23
As at 15 SEPTEMBER 2022

Exporting Members	Average	Percentage		Votes			Percentage
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TOTAL	110,446,782	100	130	870	1,000	50.00	
Angola	18,150	0.02	5	0	5	0.25	
Brazil	40,126,696	37.07	5	322	327	16.35	
Cameroon	226,458	0.21	5	2	7	0.35	
Colombia	12,873,675	11.89	5	103	108	5.40	
Costa Rica	1,119,536	1.03	5	9	14	0.70	
Côte d'Ivoire	1,457,725	1.35	5	12	17	0.85	
El Salvador	463,809	0.43	5	4	9	0.45	
Ethiopia	3,821,727	3.53	5	31	36	1.80	
Gabon	12	0.00	5	0	5	0.25	
Honduras	6,311,148	5.83	5	51	56	2.80	
India	5,984,506	5.53	5	48	53	2.65	
Indonesia	6,282,371	5.80	5	51	56	2.80	
Kenya	774,153	0.72	5	6	11	0.55	
Madagascar	20,250	0.02	5	0	5	0.25	
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Vietnam	18,145,217	16.76	5	146	151	7.55	
Sub-total	108,253,675	100	130	870	1,000	50	
(b) Members of the ICA 2007 in persistent arrears							
Bolivia	23,235	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	
Burundi	259,809	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	
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Sub-total	2,193,108	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	

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United Kingdom	5,184,302	5.07	5	69	74	3.70
Sub-total	102,260,189	100	30	970	1,000	50
(b) Members of the ICA 2007 in persistent arrears						
Tunisia	519,481	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Sub-total	519,481	0	0	0	0	0

NOTES TO TABLES

1. Paragraph 2 of Article 12 of the ICA 2007 states that each Member shall have 5 basic votes.
2. Paragraph 5 of Article 12 states that the EU shall hold votes as a single Member.
3. Paragraph 7 of Article 12 states that the Council shall provide for the redistribution of votes in accordance with the provisions of this Article whenever there is a change in the membership of the Organization or if the voting rights of a Member are suspended or regained under the provisions of Article 21.
4. Paragraph 8 of Article 12 states that no Member shall hold two-thirds or more of the votes in its category.
5. Paragraph 2 of Article 21 states that 'if any Member fails to pay its full contribution to the Administrative Budget within six months of the date on which the contribution is due, its voting rights and its right to participate in meetings of specialized committees shall be suspended until its contribution has been paid in full. However, unless the Council so decides, such Member shall not be deprived of any of its other rights nor relieved of any of its obligations under this Agreement.' As decided by the Council in March 2013 (see document [ICC-110-16](#)), in the case of contributions where there is a small under payment, the Executive Director should have discretion to ignore these shortfalls when determining votes. The amount of the shortfall is defined as £1,000 or 5% of the Member's contribution, whichever is the greater, provided also that the outstanding contribution will be paid by the Member in the following financial year.
6. The voting Rights of the Democratic Republic of the Congo have been suspended as it has so far failed to comply with the terms of ICC Resolution 469.