CONSULTATIVE BOARD ON THE WORLD COCOA ECONOMY
Twenty-eighth meeting
Radisson Blu Hotel, Zurich Airport, Switzerland, 10 March 2014

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ANNOTATIONS TO THE DRAFT AGENDA

1. **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

   The twenty-eighth meeting of the Consultative Board on the World Cocoa Economy will be opened by its Chairman, Dr. Martin Gilmour (Mars).

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

   The Board will consider the draft agenda contained in this document as a basis for adopting its agenda.

3. **REVISED WORK PROGRAMME OF THE BOARD**

   The Board will consider its revised work programme, contained in document CB/27/3/Rev.1.

4. **SPS ISSUES: JUTE BAGS, CADMIUM AND OTHER CONTAMINANTS**

   The Board will receive an update on issues related to jute bags, cadmium and other contaminants.

5. **PREPARATIONS FOR THE SECOND WORLD COCOA CONFERENCE (WCC2)**

   The Board will review progress in the preparations towards the hosting of the Second World Cocoa Conference (WCC2), planned for 9-13 June 2014, at the kind invitation of the Government of the Netherlands, with reference to document ED(MEM) 961 and the latest brochure for the Conference.

6. **REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GLOBAL COCOA AGENDA**

   The Board will review the implementation of the Global Cocoa Agenda, which was agreed at the World Cocoa Conference in Abidjan, Côte d’Ivoire in November 2012. In this respect, and as agreed at its 27th meeting in September 2013, representatives of key cocoa exporting countries, including Brazil, Cameroon, Indonesia and Nigeria, and key cocoa importing countries, including Switzerland and The European Union, will report on the progress achieved in the development and implementation of the cocoa development plans and public-private partnership platforms in their countries at the March 2014 meeting.

   In addition, the Secretariat will introduce an updated terms of reference for a survey of initiatives implemented in the cocoa sector, with reference to document CB/27/4/Rev.1.

7. **INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON COCOA CERTIFICATION: DIRECT DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE INDUSTRY AND PRODUCING COUNTRIES**

   The Board will consider plans related to direct dialogue between the industry and producing countries following the recommendations issued on the subject at the International Workshop on Cocoa Certification, which took place in Douala, Cameroon in June 2013.
8. **INCREASING COCOA PRODUCTIVITY THROUGH THE USE OF HIGH-YIELDING PLANTING MATERIAL, FERTILIZERS AND STRENGTHENING OF FARMERS’ ORGANIZATIONS**

   The Committee will receive a report from the ECA/CAOBISCO/FCC Joint Cocoa Quality and Productivity Working Group on increasing cocoa productivity through the use of high-yielding planting material, fertilizers and strengthening of farmers’ organizations.

9. **OTHER BUSINESS**

   Matters not on the agenda may be raised for consideration.

10. **DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

    The Board will agree the date and place of its next meeting.