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CONSULTATIVE BOARD ON THE WORLD COCOA ECONOMY

Thirty-first meeting

Holiday Inn Hotel, London, Monday, 21 September 2015, 9.30 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.

DRAFT AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Adoption of agenda
3. Work Programme of the Board
4. Monitoring the Implementation of the Global Cocoa Agenda
5. Preparations to hold the Third Edition of the World Cocoa Conference (WCC3)
6. Profitable Farm Business Models
7. Global Cocoa Sustainability Fund
8. Cocoa Production in the Asian Region
9. Health and Nutritional Attributes of Cocoa
10. Review of Ongoing Research and Initiatives Implemented on Food Safety
11. ECA/CAOBISCO/FCC Joint Cocoa Quality and Productivity working group: Updates
12. Other business
13. Date and Place of next Meeting

ANNOTATIONS TO THE DRAFT AGENDA

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

The thirty-first meeting of the Consultative Board on the World Cocoa Economy will be opened by its new Chairman, Mr. Iván Ontaneda Berrú, President of ANECACAO, Ecuador.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

3. WORK PROGRAMME OF THE BOARD

The Board will review the status of implementation of its work programme and agree on proposed activities for the 2015/2016 cocoa year, with reference to document CB/31/2.

4. MONITORING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GLOBAL COCOA AGENDA

Following its thirtieth meeting in Abidjan in March 2015, the Board will review the progress achieved in the implementation of the *Global Cocoa Agenda*, agreed at the First World Cocoa Conference (WCC1) in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire in November 2012. In particular, the Secretariat will present document CB/31/3, providing the results of the survey conducted by the Secretariat to gather information from appropriate institutions and companies on the progress achieved in the implementation of the recommended actions from the *Global Cocoa Agenda*.

5. PREPARATIONS TO HOLD THE THIRD EDITION OF THE WORLD COCOA CONFERENCE (WCC3)

The Board will review the preparations underway towards the hosting of the third edition of the World Cocoa Conference (WCC3), scheduled to take place from 22-25 May 2016 in Bávaro, Punta Cana in The Dominican Republic, at the kind invitation of the Government, with reference to document ICC/92/5. The Board will be invited to advise on the proposed objectives and on the programme and speakers for the Conference.

6. PROFITABLE FARM BUSINESS MODELS

The Board will receive an oral update on the preparations underway to conduct a study on the typology of cocoa farms and will be invited to provide comments and suggestions, as required, and to assist the consultants.

7. GLOBAL COCOA SUSTAINABILITY FUND

The Board will receive an oral update on the preparations underway to conduct a study on the feasibility of creating a Global Cocoa Sustainability Fund.

8. COCOA PRODUCTION IN THE ASIAN REGION

The Asian region was previously seen as a very promising origin for the supply of cocoa, but is currently facing significant constraints to live up to these expectations. The Board will receive a presentation from the Secretariat on the cocoa situation in Asia, and will discuss initiatives implemented and actions required to address these constraints.

Preparations for a workshop/conference, to be held in the Asian region on this subject, will be discussed.

9. HEALTH AND NUTRITIONAL ATTRIBUTES OF COCOA

The Board will discuss the possibilities for organizing a workshop or conference on the health and nutritional attributes of cocoa.

10. REVIEW OF ONGOING RESEARCH AND INITIATIVES IMPLEMENTED ON FOOD SAFETY

The Board will receive an update from ECA/CAOBISCO/FCC on existing and planned directives and regulations related to food safety and ongoing research, in particular in relation to mitigation of residues of cadmium in cocoa. The Board will receive a presentation on activities implemented and constraints faced to address food safety issues.

11. ECA/CAOBISCO/FCC JOINT COCOA QUALITY AND PRODUCTIVITY WORKING GROUP: UPDATES

The Board will receive an update from the ECA/CAOBISCO/FCC Joint Cocoa Quality and Productivity Working Group on its work, with particular emphasis on the newly published Guide on « *Chocolate and cocoa industry quality requirements* ».

12. OTHER BUSINESS

Matters not on the agenda may be raised for consideration.

13. DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

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