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DECISION 3(XLV)

ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL TROPICAL TIMBER AGREEMENT, 2006

The International Tropical Timber Council,

Recalling its Decisions 3(XLI) of 11 November 2006 and 7(XLIV) of 8 November 2008, which decided to extend the International Tropical Timber Agreement, 1994, until the entry into force of the International Tropical Timber Agreement, 2006;

Having reviewed the status of deposits of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession to the ITTA, 2006 as contained in document ITTC(XLV)/7;

Welcoming that many Governments have taken the necessary measures to become parties to the ITTA, 2006 since last Session of the Council in November 2008;

Recognizing, however, that further efforts by other Governments should be made to accelerate and complete their national procedures to become parties to the ITTA, 2006;

Confirms its intention to maintain the extension of the ITTA, 1994 beyond 2009;

Urges all Governments who have not yet completed the necessary national procedures to become parties to the ITTA, 2006 to do so expeditiously;

Decides to:

1. Request the Executive Director to prepare a report on the status of deposits of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession to the ITTA, 2006, with the total votes of producer members to the Agreement as set out in Annex A to the Agreement and the total import volume of tropical timber of consumer members to the Agreement in the reference year 2005, and to circulate the report to all Governments no later than the end of September 2010; and
2. Review, at the next Session of the Council, the status of deposits of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession to the ITTA, 2006 to consider whether to maintain the extension of the ITTA, 1994 beyond 2010, and what steps to be further taken towards the entry into force of the ITTA, 2006.

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