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**CONTRIBUTION OF COSTA RICA TO THE
ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET FOR 2013**

(Item 4 of the Provisional Agenda)

1. The Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, of the United Nations notified the Secretariat that on 1 November 2013, the Secretary General of the United Nations, in his capacity as depositary of the International Tropical Timber Agreement, 2006, received from the Government of Costa Rica the instrument of accession to the ITTA, 2006. Costa Rica therefore became the sixty-seventh Member of the International Tropical Timber Organization on 1 November 2013 as a "Producing Member".
2. In accordance with Article 19, paragraph 6, of the International Tropical Timber Agreement, 2006, Costa Rica's initial contribution to the Administrative Budget shall be assessed by the Council on the basis of the number of votes to be held by Costa Rica for the period remaining in the current financial year.
3. In accordance with Article 10 of the ITTA, 2006, on "Distribution of Votes", Costa Rica is allocated a total of 13 votes for 2013 and the period remaining in the 2013 financial year after becoming a member was 61 days. Therefore, the assessed contribution of Costa Rica for 2013 is **US\$8,193.32** {i.e. $(\$3,771,200 \div 1,000) \times 13 \text{ producer votes} \times (61 \div 365 \text{ days})$ }.

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