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CONTRIBUTION OF THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET FOR 2014 and 2015

(Item 4 of the Provisional Agenda)

1. The Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, of the United Nations notified the Secretariat that on 4 November 2014, the Secretary-General of the United Nations, in his capacity as depositary of the International Tropical Timber Agreement, 2006, received from the Government of the Central African Republic the instrument of Accession to the ITTA, 2006. The Central African Republic therefore became the seventieth Member of the International Tropical Timber Organization on 4 November 2014 as a "Producing Member".

2. In accordance with Article 19, paragraph 6, of the International Tropical Timber Agreement, 2006, the Central African Republic'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 the Central African Republic for the period remaining in the current financial year.

3. In accordance with Article 10 of the ITTA, 2006, on "Distribution of Votes", the Central African Republic is allocated a total of 23 votes for 2014 and the period remaining in the 2014 financial year after becoming a member was 58 days. Therefore, the assessed contribution of the Central African Republic for 2014 is **US\$12,787.76** {i.e. ($$3,498,900 \div 1,000$) x 23 producer votes x (58 \div 365 days)} and for 2015 is **US\$82,250.30** {i.e. ($$3,576,100 \div 1,000$) x 23 producer votes}.

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