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ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Item 1 **Opening of the Session**

The Fifty-eighth Session of the Council will be opened by the Chairperson of the Council.

Item 2 **Ascertainment of the Quorum**

The Executive Director will report to the Council on the state of the quorum requirement for the start of the Session. Note that as recommended by the IAG, the quorum for the session will be determined by confirming the presence of registered members who have submitted valid credentials, including both attendees physically present in Yokohama and attendees participating virtually, consistent with the thresholds established for physical meetings in the ITTA, 2006. Quorum will be re-assessed prior to any voting or adoption of decisions during the Session.

Item 3 **Adoption of Agenda and Organization of Work** [Document ITTC(LVIII)/1 Rev.2]

The Council may decide to consider and adopt its Agenda. On the schedule of meetings, the Council may consider the draft schedule distributed under Decision 5(XXII), the advice of the Informal Advisory Group (IAG) and the due consultations in the Chairperson's Coordinating Bureau, which will issue the timetable daily and at more frequent intervals as necessary.

Item 4 **Report on Membership of the Council** (Document ITTC(LVIII)/9)

The Executive Director will report on the status of membership of the Council as contained in Document ITTC(LVIII)/9.

Item 5 **Distribution of Votes for the 2022-2023 Biennium** [Document ITTC(LVIII)/1 Rev.2 Annex]

The distribution of votes for the 2022 – 2023 biennium, as approved by the 57th ITTC in accordance with Article 10(7) of the ITTA, 2006, is shown in the Annex of the Provisional Agenda [Document ITTC(LVIII)/1 Rev.2]. The distribution of votes shall remain in effect for the rest of the biennium, except whenever the membership of the Organization changes or when any member has its voting rights suspended or restored, in which case the Council shall redistribute the votes within the affected category or categories.

In accordance with Article 19(4) of the ITTA, 2006, the approved distribution of votes will be used for the assessment of the contribution of each Member to the Administrative Budget for the 2022 – 2023 biennium.

Item 6 **Admission of Observers** [Documents ITTC(LVIII)/Info.3 and ITTC(LVIII)/Info.4]

The Council may decide to admit those States and Organizations which request admission to the Session as Observers. Two lists of such applicants will be submitted at the Session for consideration and decision. The first such list shall contain the names of all States and Organizations which have previously been admitted to the Council Sessions and the second those States and Organizations who are applying for admission on the first occasion at this Session.

In accordance with Decision 3(LI), operative paragraphs 2 and 3, the Executive Director has reviewed applications for compliance with respective requirements and the results of the initial review will be published on the ITTO website two weeks prior to the Council Session.

The Council will consider the admission of Observers in accordance with Article 16 of the ITTA, 2006 taking into consideration the initial review.

Item 7 **Statement by the Executive Director**

The Executive Director will address the Council and report on activities of the Organization and other developments of relevance to the Organization.

Item 8 **Report of the Informal Advisory Group (IAG) – Decisions 3(XXII), 5(XXVI), 2(XLIX) and 2(LI)**
[Document ITTC(LVIII)/2]

Pursuant to Decisions 3(XXII), 5(XXVI), 2(XLIX) and 2(LI), and in order to organize its work for the Session, the Council may consider the report of the Thirty-sixth Meeting of the Informal Advisory Group (IAG) as contained in Document ITTC(LVIII)/2. The report will be presented to the Council by the Chairperson.

Item 9 **Report of the Credentials Committee**
[Document ITTC(LVIII)/3]

The Council may consider and adopt the Report of the Credentials Committee and approve the credentials of delegations.

Item 10 **Procedures and modalities governing the Fifty-eighth Session of the Council**

The Council will be briefed on the arrangements for the 58th Session of the Council in line with the ITTA, 2006 and the ITTO Rules of Procedure.

Item 11 **Matters related to Article 19 of the ITTA, 2006 on the Administrative Account – Decision 3(LVII)**
[Document ITTC(LVIII)/4]

The Council will receive the report of the virtual intersessional group established under Decision 3(LVII) on management of the administrative budget for 2021-2022, including 1) recommendations on any change to the threshold for annual use of the Working Capital Reserve by the Executive Director without Council approval; 2) proposals on ways to prompt members to pay contributions to the administrative budget; and 3) proposals on ways to adapt the budget of the Organization to the long-term trends in payment of contributions

Item 12 **Extension of the ITTA, 2006 – Decision 4(LVII)**
[Document ITTC(LVIII)/5]

The Council will receive the report of the inclusive virtual intersessional working group to assess the need for renegotiation or further extension of the ITTA, 2006, including recommendations, established under Decision 4(LVII).

Item 13 **ITTO Strategic Action Plan 2022–2026 – Decision 5(LVII)**
[Document ITTC(LVIII)/6]

In accordance with Decision 5(LVII), the Council will receive and consider for adoption the indicate five-year resource mobilization goal and related mobilization strategy taking into account the outputs of the work related to the new financing architecture, developed by the Executive Director in consultation with the Advisory Board as contained in Document ITTC(LVIII)/6.

Item 14 **ITTO Biennial Work Programme – Decisions 9(XXXIV) and 2(LVI)**
[Documents ITTC(LVIII)/7 and ITTC(LVIII)/8]

The Council will receive the progress report on the implementation of the ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2021-2022. The Council will also receive updates/reports on selected BWP activities, including the fellowship programme as will be informed in the provisional programme of meetings and activities.

The Secretariat is proposing an extension of the BWP 2021-2022 for one year through 2023, so that the timing of the BWP is back in line with the financial biennium of the administrative budget.

Item 15 **Matters related to Article 15 of the ITTA, 2006 on cooperation and coordination with other organizations – Decision 7(LVII)**
[Document ITTC(LVIII)/10]

The Council will receive an update on the implementation of Decision 7(LVII) on matters related to Article 15 of the ITTA, 2006 on cooperation and coordination with other organizations as contained in Document ITTC(LVIII)/10.

Item 16 **Special Account and Bali Partnership Fund**
[Document ITTC(LVIII)/11]

- (a) Pledges to the Special Account and the Bali Partnership Fund.
The Chairperson may invite Members and Observers to announce any new contributions they may wish to pledge to the Special Account and the Bali Partnership Fund.
- (b) Report of the Panel on Sub-Account B of the Bali Partnership Fund.
The Council will decide whether it is necessary for the Panel on Sub-Account B of the Bali Partnership Fund established under Decision 4(XXX) to meet during the session, taking account of the resources available. If the panel does meet during the session to consider actions/activities, pre-projects and projects that are eligible for funding under Sub-Account B, the Council may consider and adopt the recommendations contained in its report [Document ITTC(LVIII)/11].

Item 17 **Implementation of ITTO's New Financing Architecture, Phase II – Decision 4(LVI) and 8(LVII)**
[Document ITTC(LVIII)/12]

In accordance with Decision 8(LVII), the Council will receive the second progress report on the implementation of ITTO's new financing architecture, Phase II as contained in Document ITTC(LVIII)/12.

Item 18 **Biennial Review and Assessment of the World Timber Situation 2021-2022**
[Document ITTC(LVIII)/13]

The Council may wish to base its discussion on this item on the following:

- (a) Elements for the 2021-22 Biennial Review and Assessment of the International Timber Situation
The Secretariat will present the draft Review as contained in Document ITTC(LVIII)/13, comprising statistics and available data on production, imports and exports of timber products, emphasizing tropical timber products, and an analysis of economic and market developments. The Elements for the 2021-22 Biennial Review will be partly based on information extracted from national responses to the ITTO/UNECE/FAO/EUROSTAT Joint Forest Sector Questionnaire and partly from other sources.
- (b) A presentation by the Secretariat
Using various sources of information including the Elements for the 2021-22 Biennial Review, the presentation will give an overview of the world timber situation, focusing on tropical timber, including recent market developments and the short-term outlook based on available forecasts.

The Council may also decide after due discussions the type of statistics and information (and its format of presentation) that members shall furnish on timber, its trade and the activities aimed at achieving sustainable management of timber producing forests as stipulated in Article 27(3) of the ITTA, 2006.

Item 19 **Update on the Cooperation between ITTO and CITES – Decision 3(XVI)**
[Document ITTC(LVIII)/14]

The Council will be updated on the cooperation between ITTO and CITES under the CITES Tree Species Programme, CTSP. In accordance with Decision 3(XVI), the Council will also be updated on new proposals to list internationally traded tropical timber species in the Appendices of CITES, as contained in Document ITTC(LVIII)/14.

Item 20 **Reports of the Committees**

The Council will have before it the Reports of the Associated Sessions of the Committees presented by the respective Chairpersons. The Council may consider and adopt the recommendations contained in each of the Reports.

Item 21 **Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the Council for 2023**

The Council may decide after due consultations, to elect a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for 2023. Under Article 8 of the ITTA, 2006, the Council is required to elect a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for each calendar year, one from among the representatives of producer countries, and the other from among the representatives of the consumer countries. Under Article 8, paragraph 3, these offices are required to alternate each year between the two categories of Members, provided, however, that this shall not prohibit the re-election of either or both, under exceptional circumstances by the Council.

Item 22 **Dates and Venues of the Fifty-ninth and Sixtieth Sessions of the Council and the Associated Sessions of the Committees**

In order to maintain the established practice of setting Session dates and venues eighteen months or more in advance to facilitate logistical arrangements, the Council may wish to reconfirm/set the dates and venues of its Fifty-ninth and Sixtieth Sessions.

Item 23 **Decisions and Report of the Session**

The Council shall consider the proposed Decision(s) and adopt it/them in accordance with the procedures and modalities governing the Fifty-eighth Session of the Council in line with the ITTA, 2006 and the ITTO Rules of Procedure, as adopted under Agenda Item 10. In accordance with Rule 33 of the Rules of Procedure, a report on the proceedings shall be prepared by the Secretariat and shall be circulated to all Members as soon as possible.

Item 24 **Closing of the Session**

Following any final statements by Delegates, the Chairperson will close the Fifty-eighth Session of the Council.

Annex

DISTRIBUTION OF VOTES FOR 2022-2023 BIENNIUM

PRODUCER MEMBERS

	<u>2021</u> <u>No. of Votes</u>	<u>2022/2023 Biennium</u> <u>No. of Votes</u>
Africa		
Angola	-	21
Benin	22	21
Cameroon	22	21
Central African Republic	22	21
Congo	22	21
Côte d'Ivoire	22	21
Democratic Republic of the Congo	22	21
Gabon	22	21
Ghana	22	21
Liberia	21	21
Madagascar	22	21
Mali	21	21
Mozambique	22	21
Togo	21	21
Asia & Pacific		
Cambodia	24	21
Fiji	14	14
India	28	28
Indonesia	90	93
Malaysia	83	72
Myanmar	30	26
Papua New Guinea	42	44
Philippines	15	15
Thailand	49	52
Vietnam	16	16
Latin America/Caribbean		
Brazil	121	122
Colombia	23	23
Costa Rica	13	13
Ecuador	19	19
Guatemala	12	12
Guyana	16	15
Honduras	11	12
México	24	24
Panamá	13	13
Peru	29	27
Suriname	15	15
Trinidad and Tobago	10	10
Venezuela	20	20
TOTAL:	1,000	1,000

CONSUMER MEMBERS

	<u>2021</u> <u>No. of Votes</u>	<u>2022/2023 Biennium</u> <u>No. of Votes</u>
Albania	10	10
Australia	16	16
China	291	305
European Union	344	337
Austria	10	10
Belgium	15	15
Bulgaria	10	10
Croatia	10	10
Cyprus	10	10
Czech Republic	11	11
Denmark	11	11
Estonia	10	10
Finland	10	10
France	25	25
Germany	19	19
Greece	11	11
Hungary	10	10
Ireland	13	13
Italy	20	19
Latvia	10	10
Lithuania	10	10
Luxembourg	10	10
Malta	10	10
Netherlands	30	25
Poland	11	11
Portugal	13	13
Romania	10	10
Slovakia	10	10
Slovenia	10	10
Spain	14	13
Sweden	11	11
Japan	144	130
New Zealand	11	11
Norway	10	10
Republic of Korea	63	66
Switzerland	11	11
United Kingdom	27	28
United States of America	73	76
TOTAL:	1,000	1,000