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INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP ON BANANAS AND TROPICAL FRUITS

Fifth Session

Yaoundé, Cameroon, 3 – 5 May 2010

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AGENDA NOTES

1. The Fifth Session of the Intergovernmental Group on Bananas and Tropical Fruits will be held in Yaoundé, Cameroon from 3 to 5 May 2011, commencing at 9.00 hours. The venue location will be communicated shortly.

I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

A. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSONS

2. The Session will elect a Chairperson and two Vice-Chairpersons.

B. ADOPTION OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

II. ECONOMIC AND MARKET ISSUES

A. MARKET DEVELOPMENTS AND OUTLOOK

Current Market Situation and Short-term Outlook

3. Document CCP:BA/TF 11/Inf.1 provides an assessment of the current market situation and short term outlook for bananas and tropical fruits. Statistical compendia on production, imports, exports, consumption and prices will be tabled at the Session as CCP:BA/TF 11/CRS 1 and CCP:BA/TF 11/CRS 2. Delegates are invited to review the assessment and provide appropriate updates on developments in their country.

Economic significance and technical feasibility of monitoring and analyses of markets for banana varieties other than Cavendish

4. At its last session, the Secretariat was requested to consult with member countries to ascertain the availability of data for banana varieties other than Cavendish. Document CCP:BA/TF 11/2 provides an update of the consultations. Delegates are requested to examine the document, and if they wish the Secretariat to continue work in this area, recommend a work plan and areas to concentrate on.

B. FACTORS AFFECTING DEMAND

The Chinese market potentials for banana and tropical fruits based on household consumption behaviour analyses

5. At its last session, the Group recognized the potential for further expansion of the market for bananas and tropical fruits in China. In order for countries to be able to devise appropriate marketing strategies to take advantage of this potential, the Group noted that a more in-depth study was required, focusing on household consumption patterns, particularly consumer behaviour and preferences, as well as income and price response between urban and rural consumers. The Secretariat therefore undertook a study, the findings of which are contained in document CCP:BA/TF 11/3, and which delegates are invited to evaluate and recommend further analysis, if required.

Practical Guidelines to exporting bananas and tropical fruits to China

6. The Group also requested that Practical Guidelines to exporting bananas and tropical fruits to China be developed to assist interested countries in their exporting efforts. Delegates are requested to review document CCP: BA/TF 11/4.

Case study of the demand potential for mangosteen and salaca

7. Document CCP:BA/TF 11/5 has been prepared by the Secretariat to analyse the main features of transactions for mangosteen and salaca, as requested by the Group at its last session.

III. VALUE CHAINS AND INCOME DISTRIBUTION

A. INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS AND STRUCTURE OF THE BANANA AND TROPICAL FRUITS MARKETS IN PRODUCING COUNTRIES AND THEIR IMPACT ON INCOME LEVELS OF SMALLHOLDERS

8. At its last session, the Group recognized the importance of institutional set up on the economic welfare of smallholders in developing countries and thereby recommended that additional studies be carried out focussing specifically on the institutional set up and market structure for bananas and tropical fruits in major producing countries and their impact on smallholders incomes. The Group also recommended that more studies be carried out examining ways to enhance smallholders' contribution to value-addition along the supply chain through better organization, quality improvement and credit availability. On the basis of these recommendations, document CCP:BA/TF 11/6 was prepared by the Secretariat. Delegates are required to share their experiences and provide guidance on the future direction of work on this area.

B. OPTIONS FOR SUPPORTING THE FORMATION OF SMALLHOLDER ORGANIZATIONS, QUALITY IMPROVEMENT, VALUE ADDITION AND CREDIT AVAILABILITY TO ENHANCE INCOME OF SMALLHOLDERS IN THE VALUE CHAIN

9. As part of Group's Action Plan, document CCP: BA/TF 11/7 evaluates the operations for supporting the formation of smallholder organizations, quality improvement and credit availability to enhance smallholder contribution to value-addition along the value chain.

IV. INTERGOVERNMENTAL ACTION

A. COMMON FUND FOR COMMODITIES ACTIVITIES

Status of project proposals endorsed by the IGG on Bananas and Tropical Fruits

10. The Group will review CFC project updates.

New project proposals for submission to the CFC

11. The Group will consider project proposals for submission to the Common Fund for Commodities for funding.

Report of the CFC/FAO Workshop Dissemination of project "Diversification of Agriculture in Guatemala and Mexico (Chiapas) through the production of export fruits" and Challenges and opportunities for smallholder integration in international fruits value chains

12. The Secretariat organized a CFC/FAO Workshop which took place in San Cristóbal de las Casas, Mexico, from 17-19 November 2010. Document CCP: BA/TF 11/CRS 3 constitutes the report of the Workshop.

V. ACTIVITIES IN OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

A. REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL TROPICAL FRUITS NETWORK (TFNET)

13. TFNet was established under the auspices of the Sub-Group on Tropical Fruits in 2000, and in accordance with rules of its establishment, will present its report since the last session of the Sub-Group. This is available as document CCP:BA/TF 11/CRS 4.

VI. OTHER MATTERS

A. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

B. DATE AND PLACE OF THE SEVENTH SESSION OF THE IGG ON BANANAS AND TROPICAL FRUITS

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE**Tuesday, 3 May 2011**

07:30 – 09:00 – Registration

09:00 – 09:15 – Opening Session

09:15 – 12:30 – Morning Session (Items I and II)

14:00 – 17:30 – Afternoon Session (Item III)

Wednesday, 4 May 2011

09:00 – 12:30 – Morning Session (Item IV)

14:00 – 17:30 – Afternoon Session (Items V and VI)

Thursday, 5 May 2011

09:00 – 12:30 – No session

14:00 – 17:30 – Adoption of report