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'I/A' ITEM NOTE

From: ACP Working Party
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject: CTA – Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Cooperation
- Appointment of members of the Executive Board and of the Director

1. In accordance with Decision No 5/2018 of the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors of 17 December 2018 appointing members to the Executive Board of the Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Cooperation (CTA)¹, the term of office of the members of the Executive Board expires on 29 February 2020.
2. In accordance with Decision No 3/2014 of the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors of 23 October 2014 on the renewal of the appointment of the Director of the Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Cooperation (CTA)², the term of office of the Director expires on 29 February 2020.

¹ OJ L 8, 10.1.2019, p. 36.

² OJ L 332, 19.11.2014, p. 49.

3. In accordance with Decision No 3/2019 of the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors of 17 December 2019 to adopt transitional measures pursuant to Article 95(4) of the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement³, the application of the provisions of the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement shall be extended until 31 December 2020, or until the entry into force of the new Agreement or until the provisional application between the Union and the ACP States of the new Agreement, whichever comes first. Therefore, the members of the Executive Board of the CTA should be re-appointed and a new Director of the CTA should be appointed until 31 December 2020.
4. On 11 February 2020, the ACP Working Party agreed upon the attached draft Decision appointing the members of the Executive Board and the Director of the Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Cooperation (CTA).
5. The ACP Working Party agreed to suggest that the Permanent Representatives Committee recommend that the Council, as an "A" item on its agenda:
 - approve the draft Decision as set out in the Annex;
 - decide to forward the draft Decision to the ACP side for adoption by the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors by exchange of letters.

³ OJ L 1, 3.1.2020, p. 3.

DECISION No .../2020

OF THE ACP-EU COMMITTEE OF AMBASSADORS

of ... 2020

**appointing the members of the Executive Board and the Director of the
Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Cooperation (CTA)**

THE ACP-EU COMMITTEE OF AMBASSADORS,

Having regard to the Partnership Agreement between the members of the African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States of the one part, and the European Community and its Member States, of the other part¹, and in particular Article 2(5) of Annex III thereof,

Having regard to Decision No 5/2013 of the ACP-EC Committee of Ambassadors of 7 November 2013 on the Statutes of the Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Cooperation (CTA)², and in particular Articles 5(4) and 7(1) of the Annex thereof;

¹ OJ L 317, 15.12.2000, p. 3.
² OJ L 309, 19.11.2013, p. 50.

Whereas:

- (1) Article 5(4) of the Statutes of the CTA provides that the members of the Executive Board of the Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Cooperation (CTA) shall be appointed by the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors in accordance with the procedures laid down by the Committee for a period of up to five years, subject to a mid-term review.
- (2) Article 7(1) of the Statutes of the CTA provides that the Director of the Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Cooperation (CTA) shall be appointed by the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors on a proposal from the Executive Board for a period of up to five years.
- (3) In accordance with its Article 95 (1), the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement will expire on 29 February 2020.
- (4) In accordance with Decision No 5/2018 of the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors of 17 December 2018 appointing members to the Executive Board of the Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Cooperation (CTA)³, the term of office of the members of the Executive Board expires on 29 February 2020.
- (5) In accordance with Decision No 3/2014 of the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors of 23 October 2014 on the renewal of the appointment of the Director of the Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Cooperation (CTA)⁴, the term of office of the Director expires on 29 February 2020.

³ OJ L 8, 10.1.2019, p. 36.

⁴ OJ L 332, 19.11.2014, p. 49.

- (6) In accordance with Decision No 3/2019 of the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors of 17 December 2019 to adopt transitional measures pursuant to Article 95(4) of the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement⁵, the application of the provisions of the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement shall be extended until 31 December 2020, or until the entry into force of the new Agreement or until the provisional application between the Union and the ACP States of the new Agreement, whichever comes first. Therefore, the members of the Executive Board of the CTA should be re-appointed and a new Director of the CTA should be appointed until 31 December 2020.
- (7) On 10 January 2020, the Executive Board submitted a recommendation and, subsequently, on 6 February 2020, made a statement on the nomination of a Director of the CTA for the period from 1 March until 31 December 2020,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

⁵ OJ L 1, 3.1.2020, p. 3.

Article 1

Without prejudice to any subsequent decisions that the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors might have to take in the framework of its prerogatives, the following persons are hereby re-appointed as members of the Executive Board of the CTA until 31 December 2020:

- Prof. Augusto Manuel CORREIA,
- Mr David HUNTER,
- Ms Helena JOHANSSON,
- Mr Abel KPAWILINA-NAMKOISSE,
- Dr. Boitshoko NTSHABELE, and
- Ms Frederike PRAASTERINK.

Article 2

Without prejudice to any subsequent decisions that the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors might have to take in the framework of its prerogatives, the following person is hereby appointed as Director of the CTA with effect from 1 March 2020 until 31 December 2020:

- Dr. Ibrahim Dominic KHADAR.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done at Brussels,

*For the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors
The Chairman*