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CHAPTER IX. STATISTICS, STUDIES AND INFORMATION

ARTICLE 30 ANNUAL REPORT AND REVIEW

1. The Council shall publish an annual report on its activities and such other information as it considers appropriate.

- 2. The Council shall biennially review and assess:
 - (a) The international timber situation;
 - (b) Other factors, issues and developments considered relevant to achieving the objectives of this Agreement.
- 3. The review shall be carried out in the light of:
 - (a) Information supplied by members in relation to national production, trade, supply, stocks, consumption and prices of timber;
 - (b) Other statistical data and specific indicators provided by members as requested by the Council; and
 - (c) Information supplied by members on their progress towards the sustainable management of their timber-producing forests;
 - (d) Such other relevant information as may be available to the Council either directly or through the organizations in the United Nations system and intergovernmental, governmental or non-governmental organizations;
 - (e) Information supplied by members on their progress towards the establishment of control and information mechanisms regarding illegal harvesting and illegal trade in tropical timber and non-timber forest products.

4. The Council shall promote the exchange of views among member countries regarding:

- (a) The status of sustainable management of timber-producing forests and related matters in member countries;
- (b) Resource flows and requirements in relation to objectives, criteria and guidelines set by the Organization.

5. Upon request, the Council shall endeavour to enhance the technical capacity of member countries, in particular developing member countries, to obtain the data necessary for adequate information-sharing, including the provision of resources for training and facilities to members.

6. The results of the review shall be included in the reports of the Council's deliberations.

CHAPTER X. MISCELLANEOUS

ARTICLE 34

DIFFERENTIAL AND REMEDIAL MEASURES AND SPECIAL MEASURES

1. Consumer members that are developing countries whose interests are adversely affected by measures taken under this Agreement may apply to the Council for appropriate differential and remedial measures. The Council shall consider taking appropriate measures in accordance with section III, paragraphs 3 and 4, of resolution 93 (IV) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development.

2. Members in the category of least developed countries as defined by the United Nations may apply to the Council for special measures in accordance with section III, paragraph 4, of resolution 93 (IV) and with paragraphs 56 and 57 of the Paris Declaration and Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s.

CHAPTER XI. FINAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 37 DEPOSITARY

The Secretary-General of the United Nations is hereby designated as the depositary of this Agreement.