CHAPTER XII – GENERAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 39

Preparations for a new Agreement

(1) The Council may examine the possibility of negotiating a new International Coffee Agreement.

(2) In order to carry out this provision, the Council shall examine the progress made by the Organization in achieving the objectives of this Agreement as specified in Article 1.

CHAPTER XIII – SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

ARTICLE 40

Sustainable coffee sector

(1) Members shall give due priority to the sustainable management of coffee resources and processing, bearing in mind the principles and objectives on sustainable development in its three dimensions – economic, social, and environmental – in a balanced and integrated manner, contained in the United Nations SDGs and other related global initiatives that have been endorsed by Members.

(2) The Organization may, upon request, assist Members to sustainably develop their coffee sector with the aim of promoting prosperity for coffee farmers and all coffee stakeholders, while improving productivity, quality, resilience, and profitability in the coffee value chain, in particular for the small-scale farmers and other small-scale coffee producers.

ARTICLE 41

Standard of living and working conditions

Members shall give consideration to improving the standard of living and working conditions of populations engaged in the coffee sector, consistent with their stage of development, bearing in mind internationally recognized principles and applicable standards on these matters. Furthermore, Members agree that labour standards shall not be used for protectionist trade purposes.