



# INTERNATIONAL COTTON ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Standing Committee  
Washington, DC

SC-N-491  
January 31, 2008



## PROVISIONAL AGENDA

### 491<sup>st</sup> MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

The 491<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Standing Committee will be held at **10:00** AM on February 14, 2008. The location will be **the Embassy of Germany**, 4645 Reservoir Rd., NW, Washington, DC 20007. Refreshments will be served from 9:30 am. On street parking in front of the embassy is available.

A provisional agenda follows:

1. Adoption of the Agenda
2. World Cotton Situation
  - a) Report from the Secretariat: World Cotton Situation (Attachment I\*)
  - b) Report by John Maguire, National Cotton Council of America, Update on the Cotton Provisions of the U.S. Farm Bill
3. Discussion of the Better Cotton Initiative (BCI) and potential forms of mutual support between the ICAC and the BCI
  - a) Report by Anna Bexell, Cotton Global Co-Ordinator, IKEA Supply AG, Chair of the BCI, and Walter Wagner, Head Environment & Resources Unit, World Wildlife Fund (WWF), Vice Chair of the BCI (Aide Memoire, January 17, 2008)
  - b) Discussion
4. Confirmation of members of the Private Sector Advisory Panel (Attachment II\*)
5. Review of the draft strategic plan for the ICAC (Attachment III\*)
6. Other Matters
  - a) Review of Status of CFC Projects (Attachment IV\*)
  - b) Proposed amendment to the Rules and Regulations (Attachment V\*)
  - c) Countries in arrears in the payment of assessments (Attachment VI\*)
  - d) Other Matters

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All attachments and supporting papers are placed on the Internet at URL <http://www.icac.org/icac/delegates/scnotices/scnotices.html>, as soon as they are available.

Future Standing Committee Meetings:

April 11	492 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting in New York City
May 29	493 <sup>rd</sup> Meeting
June 26	494 <sup>th</sup> Meeting
October 9	495 <sup>th</sup> Meeting in Southern Virginia
November 17-21	67 <sup>th</sup> Plenary Meeting in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso