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Recommendation from the Standing Committee to the 79th Plenary Meeting of the

International Cotton Advisory Committee

December 2021

The ICAC Nominating Committee met virtually on 27 June 2021 to propose the officers for the Standing Committee for the coming year. Delegates from Egypt, Russia and the United States participated. Mr Ali Tahir served as Chair of the Nominating Committee.

The Rules and Regulations specify that when practical, the Vice Chair will be nominated to succeed the outgoing Chair.

The Chair found that there was a consensus to confirm the nomination of the current Vice Chair, Mr Patrick Packnett, USA (Deputy Administrator, Office of Global Analysis, USDA), as Chair.

The Rules and Regulations say that the election of officers should take into account:

1. Rotation on as broad a geographical basis as possible.
2. Adequate representation to importing and exporting countries.
3. Ability, interest and participation in the work of the Committee.
4. Timely payment of assessments.

Following the message circulated by the Executive Director on 18 October 2021, there was consensus to nominate HE Aly Touré, Commodities Ambassador, Côte d’Ivoire, as Vice Chair, from the end of the 79th Plenary Meeting to the end of the 80th Plenary Meeting.

Accordingly, the Standing Committee proposes the following officers to the Plenary Meeting for the period from the end of the 79th Plenary Meeting in 2021 to the end of the 80th Plenary Meeting in 2022:

- Mr Patrick Packnett, USA, as Chair
- HE Aly Touré, Côte d’Ivoire, as Vice Chair