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INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT ON OLIVE OIL AND TABLE OLIVES, 2015 GENEVA, 9 OCTOBER 2015

OPENING FOR SIGNATURE

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

The above Agreement was adopted on 9 October 2015 at the United Nations Conference for the Negotiation of a Successor Agreement to the International Agreement on Olive Oil and Table Olives, 2005 held in Geneva from 5 to 9 October 2015.

In accordance with its article 28, the Agreement shall be open for signature at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from 1 January 2016 until and including 31 December 2016 by parties to the International Agreement on Olive Oil and Table Olives, 2005, and Governments invited to the United Nations Conference for the Negotiation of a Successor Agreement to the International Agreement on Olive Oil and Table Olives, 2005.

Certified true copies of the Agreement, of which the Arabic, English, French and Spanish texts are equally authentic, are under preparation and will be circulated to States as soon as possible. Electronic copies of the Agreement are made available in the United Nations Treaty Collection website at the following address: <u>https://treaties.un.org/doc/Treaties/2015/10/20151009%2010-35%20AM/Ch_XIX-49.pdf</u>.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign the Agreement must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Agreement could, as necessary, provide the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York, facsimile: (212) 963-3693.

For more information on full powers, please refer to the Treaty Handbook on the United Nations Treaty Collection website, which can be accessed at the following address: http://treaties.un.org/doc/source/publications/THB/English.pdf.

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