

Resolution 6b

Proposed Resolution to be adopted at the 9th General Assembly of the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) 1 November, 2012.

Title: Proposed amendments to Article 6.1 of the RSPO By-Laws and Article 9 of the RSPO Statutes regarding the composition of the Executive Board.

Submitted by: MPOA, INA Growers' caucus as co-signatory representing INA Growers including Musim Mas, Agro Indomas, Bakrie Sumatera Plantations, Bumitama and Mina Mas (Sime Darby Group).

Recognizing that "RSPO shall be managed by an Executive Board (EB) designated by the General Assembly in Article 6.1 of the RSPO By-Laws",

Recognizing that "RSPO shall be managed by an Executive Board comprised of sixteen members, designated by the General Assembly for a period of two years in Article 9 of the RSPO Statutes",

Recognizing "The growing numbers of growers and smallholders in the different geographical regions in the Rest of the World Growers Category",

Recognizing that "There are obvious differences in the operating conditions in these new regions which warrant better recognition from RSPO",

Recognizing that "There is a growing demand for palm oil with the world population projected to grow to 9 billion by 2050,

Recognizing that "Contribution from the smallholders' sector cannot be ignored and there needs to be a better representation and greater participation from the smallholders' sector",

Recognizing that "The varied nature, different organization set up and the diversity in difficulties faced by the smallholders in different oil palm growing countries warrants an increase representation of this sector in the EB",

Recognizing that "With the growing demand and production in these new regions, there is a need for better representation and greater participation from these new growth regions and smallholders in the RSPO EB",

Taking into cognizance the concern that these Growers' and smallholders interests are not well represented at the Executive Board, and

Taking into cognizance that it would serve RSPO's interests and the new vision & mission better if a more representative EB is constituted with more Grower members and smallholders to represent the above growth regions and the increasingly significant and growing contribution from these regions;

This resolution hereby proposes that the 9th RSPO General Assembly provides the mandate to the RSPO Executive Board to take the necessary steps to amend Article 9 of the RSPO Statutes and Article 6.1 of the RSPO By-Laws to effect the following changes to the current EB membership before GA10:

- 1. Increase in EB members from the current 16 to 22;**
- 2. Increase in representation for the Rest of the World Growers from 1 to 4 i.e. Africa, Latin America, Thailand and Rest of the World;**
- 3. Increase in representation for smallholders' from 1 to 4 i.e. Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand and Rest of the World.**

The above shall be read together and shall constitute as a single resolution.

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