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ATTENTION**

EBD/76/62

March 26, 1976

To: Members of the Executive Board

From: The Secretary

Subject: Commission of the European Communities (CEC) - Request for  
Reports on Recent Economic Developments in Benin, Burundi,  
Sierra Leone, and Ethiopia

In accordance with the decision on cooperation with the Commission of the European Communities taken at EBM/75/3 (1/10/75), it is proposed to transmit to Mr. Cheysson, Commissioner for Development, copies of the reports on Recent Economic Developments in Benin (SM/75/262, 10/31/75), Burundi (SM/75/250, 10/16/75), Sierra Leone (SM/75/285, 12/5/75), and Ethiopia (SM/76/24, 2/6/76).

The following change has been made:

Ethiopia (SM/76/24, 2/6/76) Page 49, para. 2, lines 10-13:  
reference to sizable coffee stocks  
deleted.

The sentence beginning in line 10  
reads after deletion:

"However, due to the sharp price  
increase after the frost in Brazil  
in July 1975 and favorable growing  
conditions in Ethiopia, prospects  
for coffee exports in 1975/76  
are considerably improved.

The Executive Directors elected by these countries have indicated that they have no objection to the transmission of these reports to the CEC. If no other Executive Director objects by the close of business on Thursday, April 1, 1976, these reports will be transmitted to the Commission of the European Communities.

Other Distribution:  
Department Heads