

**AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CÔTE D'IVOIRE
FOR THE PROMOTION AND PROTECTION
OF INVESTMENTS**

THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CÔTE D'IVOIRE (hereinafter referred to as the "Parties"),

RECOGNIZING that the promotion and the protection of investments of investors of one Party in the territory of the other Party will be conducive to the stimulation of mutually beneficial business activity, to the development of economic cooperation between them and to the promotion of sustainable development,

HAVE AGREED as follows:

SECTION A – DEFINITIONS

ARTICLE 1

Definitions

For the purpose of this Agreement:

"competition authority" means:

- for Canada, the Commissioner of Competition or a successor to be notified to the Government of Côte d'Ivoire by diplomatic note; and
- for the Government of Côte d'Ivoire, the Commission of Competition or any successor to be notified to Canada by diplomatic note;

"confidential information" means confidential business information or information that is privileged or otherwise protected from disclosure under the law of a Party;

"covered investment" means, with respect to a Party, an investment in its territory of an investor of the other Party existing on the date of entry into force of this Agreement, as well as an investment made or acquired thereafter;