### <u>A LITTLE HISTORY</u>

Coffee is an important economic activity in the municipality of San Rafael del Norte, in Jinotega, department where the largest areas are located and where the largest volumes of the country are produced.

However, due to financial limitations, the plantations experienced a marked precariousness, varying the yields between 10 and 12.8 qq gold / ha annually from one producer to another. Likewise, due to financial limitations and market access, producers were forced to sell their coffee on wet parchment or to local intermediaries at prices well below the international market.

With the objective of changing this situation, our Cooperative was founded in 2006 by 77 producers, having been granted its legal status on a multisectoral basis on November 8, 2006.



The Cooperative has an incidence in 29 communities of the municipality, with a total of 155 men and 16 women. These communities are located in the northern zone with average altitude of 1,250 meters above sea level, which makes them an appropriate area for the cultivation of high quality coffee.

#### PRODUCTIVE AND QUALITY ASPECTS

The average area of coffee in hectares cultivated by our associates is 3.65, with an average production of 20.15 qq gold per ha for a total amount of 624.54 ha. with an average annual offer of 12,585 quintals of gold for export.

The most cultivated varieties in the farms of our associates are: CATURRA, CATUAI, and CATIMOR under a pleasant climate with average annual temperatures of 20°C and 1,200 mm of rainfall per year. Our coffee is characterized by the excellent quality product of the conditions of our area, which is expressed in sweet fragrances, floral, citrus and juicy chocolate, body and medium acidity, characteristic attributes of a quality grain, grown under shade of own trees of the climate of nebliselva and allowing that as a cooperative we obtain an average SCA score of 83 points.

#### COMMERCIAL ASPECTS

In the middle of the year 2007 takes off the service of financing and commercialization of the coffee of its associates. Basically the organization has maintained a model attached to its statutes, where the financing is totally linked to the activities of collection and marketing of coffee.

The following table presents a summary of the quantities of coffee marketed by the Cooperative as of Year 2007.

Ciclo	Cantidad QQ		
Cafetalero	Oro	Comprador	País
2007-2008	618.00	ATLANTIC S.A.	Nicaragua
2008-2009	4,125.00	ROGER'S FAMILY	Estados Unidos
	1,237.50	CAFÉ DON PACO S.A.	Nicaragua
2009-2010	4,275.00	ROGER'S FAMILY	Estados Unidos
2010-2011	825.00	COFFEE AMERICA	Estados Unidos
	412.50	CAFÉ DON PACO	Nicaragua
	412.50	COFFEE ROASTER	Nicaragua
	618.75	BENCAFE	Nicaragua
2011-2012	947.73	SECOR	Nicaragua
	412.50	COFFEE ROASTER	Estados Unidos
	412.50	MITSUI FOODS	Estados Unidos
	1,237.50	BENCAFE	Nicaragua
	5,537.84	*CECOCAFEN	Nicaragua
	2,062.50	CAFÉ DON PACO	Nicaragua
	1,650.00	ESPERANZA COOP	Nicaragua
2012-2013	*412.50	MITSUI & CO. LTD.	Japón
	650.00	CECOCAFEN	Nicaragua
	350.00	Intermediario Local	Nicaragua
2013-2014	3,300.00	ATLANTIC-STARBUCKS	Nicaragua
	2,025.00	ATLANTIC-STARBUCKS	Nicaragua
2014-2015	*418.32	COIND Sc.	Italia
2015-2016	*418.32	AXIOM COFFEE	Estados Unidos
		VENTURES	
	*836.64	COIND Sc.	Italia
	*1,254.96	32 CUP	Bélgica
2016-2017	959.58	ATLANTIC S.A.	Nicaragua
	3,310.93	ATLANTIC S.A.	Nicaragua
	* 836.64	COIND Sc.	Italia
	*418.32	32 CUP	Bélgica
	270.00	COEX	Estados Unidos
2017-2018	*1,635.26	COIND Sc.	Italia
	836.64	CAFEMA INTERNATIONAL	Suiza
	825.00	MIRITEK INC.	Alemania
	2,025.00	ATLANTIC S.A.	Nicaragua
	*836.64	COIND Sc.	Italia
2018-2019	836.64	CAFEMA INTERNATIONAL	Suiza
	830.82	COFFEE TEAM	Bélgica
	825.00	WALTER MATTER	Suiza
	412.50	ROTHFOS CORPORATION	Estados Unidos
	1,125.00	ATLANTIC S.A.	Nicaragua
Totales	50,434.53		

## **OUR EFFORTS**

COOMCAFE R.L. in mid 2013, a process of change in its collection and marketing system began, aiming to become independent of local financing and marketing activities.

This process includes the organizational and administrative aspects where there is a Board of Directors and Management committed to implementing this vital change and the commercial aspects that include the direct export of coffee to its final destinations, obtaining coffee contracts with international buyers, the obtaining Fair Trade Certification in 2013, Organic - UTZ Certification in 2018 and the Management of Financial Resources with Foreign Entities such as Rabobank Foundation of the Netherlands.

This whole process is currently supported by the economic contribution of the PROGRESO Program of the Netherlands and NICADAPTA, NGOs such as CBI, RVO and HEIFER, who are jointly contributing to the institutional strengthening of the organization, administrative strengthening and commercial instruments, capacities and knowledge of the Management Bodies and improving the Logistic and conditions Technological of our cooperative without forgetting also to obtain the Organic and UTZ certification.

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