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The Secretariat (“Secretariat”) of the International Court of Arbitration (“Court”) of the International Chamber of Commerce (“ICC”) is pleased to express its fullest support to the study on arbitration in Latin America which is being conducted by Tony Cole, Reader in Arbitration and Investment Law at the University of Leicester, in association with Doctors Stacie Strong, Manuel Gomez, Daniel De Andrade, Pietro Ortolani and Paolo Vargiu.

The Secretariat welcomes this initiative, which will greatly contribute to the understanding of the specific features, problems and perceptions of the practice of arbitration in a region of great interest to the Court. The Court has seen an impressive increase of arbitration proceedings administered by it in Latin America in the past 15 years. The results of this study will help the Court’s efforts in further enhancing the practice of arbitration in the continent in the interest of its users, which are private businesses and sovereign States.

For these reasons, the Secretariat is grateful to the promoters of this initiative and offers its full support and cooperation to this project.

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