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PRESS RELEASE

The Caisse des Dépôts et Consignations de Côte d'Ivoire (CDC-CI) enters the capital of the investment fund COMOÉ CAPITAL.

As part of the implementation of its mission to support the financing of VSEs/SMEs, the Caisse des Dépôts et Consignations de Côte d'Ivoire (CDC-CI) announces the acquisition of a stake in the investment fund COMOÉ CAPITAL, the first impact investment company dedicated to the financing and support of high-potential small and medium-sized enterprises in Côte d'Ivoire.

This participation of CDC-CI in the capital of Comoé Capital, amounting to one billion (1,000,000,000) CFA francs, will allow Comoé Capital to increase its intervention capacity with Ivorian SMEs, and is part of the implementation of CDC-CI's strategy to develop SME financing mechanisms in synergy with the actors of the Ivorian banking and financial sectors.

"Contributing to the financing of SMEs is part of the missions of the Caisse des dépôts et consignations de Côte d'Ivoire as an investor of general interest. CDC-CI is very pleased with this cooperation with Comoé Capital, which will further support the development of SMEs that create wealth and jobs, especially for young people and women," said **Mr. Lassina FOFANA, Director General of the Caisse des dépôts et consignations de Côte d'Ivoire.**

"Comoé Capital's mission is to financially and operationally support Ivorian entrepreneurs in order to make them national champions. To date, more than 20 entrepreneurs have been supported and more than 250 jobs have been created and formalized. The participation of CDC-CI will allow us to reinforce this continuous momentum towards a growth that generates financial and extra-financial impacts", declared **Mr. Djibril DOUMBIA, Managing Director of Comoé Capital.**

About CDC-CI

The Caisse des Dépôts et Consignations de Côte d'Ivoire (CDC-CI) created by Law No. 2018-574 of June 13, 2018 is a public financial institution serving the general interest. Its missions include ensuring the secure management of the public and private funds it mobilizes and contributing to the financing of the economy through general interest investments. CDC-CI also plays an important role as an institutional investor on the regional financial market through its liquidity management operations.

For more information, visit www.cdc.ci

About Comoé Capital

Comoé Capital is the first impact investment fund dedicated to financing and supporting SMEs and start-ups in Côte d'Ivoire. Sponsored by Investisseurs & Partenaires, Comoé Capital has invested since its creation in around thirty SMEs in Côte d'Ivoire. The fund offers a full range of investment instruments from seed to capital investment for tickets ranging from 20 to 300 million CFA francs. In addition to financial investment, Comoé Capital offers technical assistance, strategic and operational support and makes its network of mentors available to SMEs.

For more information, visit the website: www.comoecapital.com