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The Board of Directors of CDA makes the following public statement on CDA's understanding of the concept of Impartiality and the importance thereof when managing conflicts of interest and to ensure objectivity when carrying out our inspection activities.

Impartiality is the actual and perceived presence of objectivity. Objectivity means that conflicts of interest do not exist or are resolved so as not to adversely influence the activities of CDA.

Synonyms that are useful in conveying the element of impartiality are: objectivity, independence, freedom from conflicts of interest, freedom from bias, lack of prejudice, neutrality, fairness, open-mindedness, even-handedness, detachment and balance.

Being impartial, and being perceived to be impartial, is necessary for CDA to be able to deliver a credible inspection Service that provides confidence to our clients, the public and all other entities in the international arena.

In order to obtain and maintain confidence, CDA – at all times – be able to demonstrate that our decisions are based on objective evidence and that our decisions have not been improperly influenced by other interests or by other parties and IU ensures not allowing any commercial/ financial or other pressures to compromise impartiality.

Chairman

Coconut Development Authority