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Introductory Items ¹

1. The 140th Session of the Council was held in Rome from 29 November to 3 December 2010 under the chairpersonship of Mr Luc Guyau, Independent Chairperson of the Council.

Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable ²

2. The Council noted the Declaration of Competence and Voting Rights presented by the European Union and adopted the Agenda and Timetable for the Session. The Agenda is given in *Appendix A* to this Report.

Election of three Vice-Chairpersons, and Designation of the Chairperson and Members of the Drafting Committee ³

3. The Council elected three Vice-Chairpersons for its Session: Mr Li Zhengdong (China), Mr Alberto López García Asenjo (Spain) and Mr Daniel Garín (Uruguay).

4. The Council elected Mr Travis Power (Australia) as Chairperson of the Drafting Committee with the following membership: Afghanistan, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Ghana, Morocco, Philippines, Russian Federation, Thailand, Turkey and United Kingdom.

Programme Committee and Finance Committee

Report of the Joint Meeting of the 104th Session of the Programme Committee and the 135th Session of the Finance Committee (27 October 2010) ⁴

5. The Council endorsed the report of the Joint Meeting of the 104th Session of the Programme Committee and the 135th Session of the Finance Committee, and provided the following specific guidance.

6. The Council approved the three main elements of the monitoring and reporting arrangements under the FAO results-based framework: (i) Work plan monitoring; (ii) the Mid-Term Review; and (iii) the end-of-biennium assessment. It recommended that lessons learned be widely shared and that regular and timely updates on progress in the transition towards a full results-based management system be provided, following UN best practices.

7. The Council endorsed the detailed recommendations on TCP implementation.

8. The Council recommended that:

- a) the aim of the Resource Mobilization and Management Strategy be to ensure the full alignment of voluntary contributions and assessed contributions towards the achievement of the approved Strategic Objectives and Organizational Results;
- b) updated information on the funding situation of FAO on priorities be prepared for the 1 March 2011 informal meeting of interested Members and other potential sources of voluntary funds and partnerships, and invited the Secretariat to investigate the possibility to have access to innovative financing with new partners.

9. The Council noted the progress made on decentralization. It requested the Secretariat to present the next meetings of the Conference Committee for the Follow-up to the Independent External Evaluation of FAO (CoC-IEE) and the Programme and Finance Committees with a comprehensive vision of the effective and efficient functioning and benefits of FAO's network of Decentralized Offices, reflecting IPA actions on decentralization and any other pertinent initiatives being taken. It

¹ CL 140/PV/1; CL 140/PV/7.

² CL 140/1; CL 140/INF/1 Rev.2; CL 140/INF/5; CL 140/PV/1; CL 140/PV/7.

³ CL 140/PV/1; CL 140/PV/7.

⁴ CL 140/9; CL 140/PV/3; CL 140/PV/7.

emphasized that the vision document should include comprehensive, structured information, in particular on human resources matters and including an update of the on-going decentralization process, the definition of new roles and responsibilities, and how these would contribute to an enhanced network to support FAO Functioning as One.

Report of the 104th Session of the Programme Committee (25-29 October 2010)⁵

10. The Council endorsed the recommendations and requests contained in the report of the 104th Session of the Programme Committee. In particular, the Council:

- a) noted the approach and principles outlined in the Corporate Strategy on Capacity-Development, and stressed the importance of sustainability and follow-up of capacity-development interventions;
- b) requested the Secretariat to prepare an implementation plan on the capacity-development strategy to be presented to the Programme Committee at its session in March 2011;
- c) recommended that the use of Technical Cooperation Programme (TCP) resources for capacity-development be utilized in a more strategic and sustainable manner;
- d) requested that the Independent Chairperson of the Council convene a meeting of the Regional Group Chairpersons to be informed of the outcome of the regional consultations on eligibility criterion for access to TCP on a grant basis for national development projects, and that he facilitate a consensus on the preferred option;
- e) reaffirmed the importance of mainstreaming the gender dimension throughout the results frameworks and across all levels of the Organization, and looked forward to further review and discussion of this aspect based on the outcome of the Gender Audit and the Gender Evaluation in 2011;
- f) supported the evaluation recommendations and Management responses regarding country programming, capacity-development in Africa, work in Highly-Pathogenic Avian Influenza, work in selected post-conflict and transition countries to link emergency and rehabilitation, and the follow-up report on FAO's role and work in statistics; and
- g) invited Regional Conferences to initiate consultations towards a gradual approach to the integration of the TCP within the overall country programming framework, and to provide recommendations in 2012.

Priorities for the technical work of the Organization in the 2012-13 biennium

11. The Council considered progress on setting priorities for the technical work of the Organization in the 2012-13 biennium, taking account of the reports of the four Regional Conferences, North America's first informal regional conference and the four Technical Committee meetings held to date, as well as the Report of the Programme Committee. The Council:

- a) recalled that the process of setting priorities was a work in progress, and that the process for the 2012-13 biennium would be one of transition;
- b) reaffirmed that the prioritization process for the Programme of Work and Budget (PWB) 2012-13 should start from the results frameworks of the Medium-Term Plan (MTP) 2010-13;
- c) requested that the Secretariat identify areas of programmatic emphasis and de-emphasis within and between Strategic Objectives and Organizational Results, in the manner recommended by the Programme Committee, for presentation to the Committee's session in February 2011;
- d) welcomed the formulation of Regional Results as a means to reflect country, sub-regional and regional priorities and their contributions to Organizational Results;
- e) requested that the role of the Organization-wide Strategy Teams in the PWB 2012-13 preparation process be strengthened, and that the Strategy Team Leaders be present during upcoming Programme Committee deliberations on priorities for 2012-13;

⁵ CL 140/8; CL 140/8 Add.1; CL 140/PV/3; CL 140/PV/7.

- f) requested that the Secretariat improve the quality and timeliness of the documentation submitted to future sessions of the Regional Conferences and Technical Committees, so as to link recommendations with the Strategic Objectives or core functions of the Organization and to facilitate receiving more structured guidance on priorities in future planning cycles, and
- g) requested that North America's report on its informal regional conference, conveyed as a letter with annex to the Director-General and to the Council, be included in the Verbatim Record of this session.

Reports of the 133rd (31 May - 1 June 2010), 134th (21-22 October 2010) and 135th (25-29 October 2010) Sessions of the Finance Committee ⁶

12. The Council endorsed the reports of the 133rd, 134th and 135th Sessions of the Finance Committee. In reviewing in depth the report of the 135th Session, it provided the following specific guidance.

Financial Position

13. The Council welcomed the significant reduction in the level of outstanding Member Nations' arrears, noting that during 2010 more than USD 24 million had been received from Members in full settlement of arrears and an additional USD 22 million received for partial payment of arrears. As a result of such receipts, the Organization's liquidity position at this point in 2010 had been significantly improved compared to previous years. The Council noted that the rate of monthly Regular Programme expenditure was approximately USD 45 million, and that timely payment by Members of current contributions was essential to avoid cash shortages.

14. The Council requested the Secretariat to provide information to the Finance Committee on how the earlier adoption of the PWB would impact on the timeliness of payment of contributions by Member Nations.

15. While appreciating the often difficult financial situations of some countries, the Council emphasized the importance for all Member Nations, irrespective of their size, to honour their financial obligations towards the Organization. The Council, therefore, urged all Member Nations to pay their contributions in full and on time, in order to enable the Organization to continue to fulfil its mandate, and welcomed the Incentive Scheme.

16. The Council expressed concern at the magnitude and rising level of the General Fund deficit of the Organization, expected to exceed USD 630 million by the end of 2010, due mainly to the accumulation of unbudgeted costs for After-Service liabilities, and looked forward to the Finance Committee's review of funding proposals for such liabilities in the context of the PWB for the 2012-13 biennium.

17. The Council supported the Finance Committee's recommendation for limited changes to the Financial Regulations to introduce annual audited financial statements in the context of implementation of International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) which would be examined by the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (CCLM), and then submitted to the Conference via the Council for approval.

18. The Council noted that the final accounts for the 2008-09 biennium had been submitted by the Director-General to the External Auditor by 31 March 2010 in line with the relevant Financial Regulation. It expressed concern that the Audited Accounts 2008-09 had been withdrawn from the agenda of the 135th Session of the Finance Committee due to delay in finalisation of the External Auditor's own report which accompanied his opinion issued on the financial statements. The Council strongly emphasized the need for timely submission of audited financial accounts to the Members, and was reassured that the External Auditor had now finalized his report and that the audited financial

⁶ CL 140/7; CL 140/7 Add.1; CL 140/11; CL 140/11 Add. 1; CL 140/21; CL 140/21 Add. 1; CL 140/LIM/1; CL/140/PV/3; CL/140/PV/4; CL/140/PV/7.

statements for the 2008-09 biennium, as well as the External Auditor's report, would be sent to Finance Committee members in December 2010.

Budgetary Matters

19. The Council welcomed the initiatives and measures to achieve USD 22.8 million in further efficiency gains and one-time savings, as well as adjustments arising from preparation of biennial work plans, and urged continuous efforts towards efficiency gains and priority-setting given the global financial climate.

20. The Council endorsed the proposal that the Finance Committee receive updated information on 2012-13 Immediate Plan of Action (IPA) estimates within the context of the PWB for the 2012-13 biennium at its special session in February 2011.

Human Resources

21. The Council noted the substantial progress achieved since its 139th Session held in May 2010 in the delivery of the initiatives outlined in the HR Strategic Framework and Action Plan, aimed at transforming the HR function to a more strategic and advisory one. It commended in this regard the efforts deployed within the framework of the HR strategy to institute a results-based approach with measurable indicators, to reduce recruitment timeframes and to integrate the HR-related IPA initiatives within the regular Programme of Work.

22. Recognizing that competence was paramount in the recruitment of all staff members to the Organization, the Council urged that measures continue to be undertaken to promote gender balance and broader geographic representation among the Organization's workforce while adhering to UN practices and standards. With regard to the procedures on recruitment, the Council requested Management to prepare a disclosure policy for documents and procedures, and report through the Finance Committee to the Council. The Council acknowledged the progress being made towards the achievement of the gender and geographic representation targets established in the MTP 2010-13.

Administrative and Information Systems Framework

23. The Council strongly supported implementation of IPSAS and welcomed the benefits of the synergistic approach being followed to upgrade the Organization's Enterprise Resource Planning system to Oracle Release 12 in parallel with the IPSAS project, which included design of the new Field Solution to replace the existing Field Accounting System. The Council looked forward to development of consolidated cost estimates for the new synergistic approach for inclusion in the PWB 2012-13.

24. The Council agreed to re-examine the proposal on the consolidation of a single Shared Services Centre at its next session after the forthcoming Regional Conference for the Near East. In so doing, it urged that the full report of the in-depth analysis and that the specific additional information requested on the matter be made available to ensure an evidence-based decision. It also urged that due consideration be given to positions expressed in Regional Conferences in their new role as Governing Bodies on this matter.

25. The Council commended the progress on introduction of an Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) framework in FAO embedded in the results-based management process.

26. The Council endorsed the proposed measures for improvement of language services, with due attention to related resource considerations, aimed at enhancing the quality and coverage of translation and interpretation in all the languages of the Organization.

27. The Council welcomed the continuing efforts to prepare the terms of reference of the Ethics Committee, and supported their review by the CCLM and the Finance Committee in March 2011.

28. The Council endorsed the roadmap for establishment of the Financial Disclosure Programme, and welcomed its phased development and implementation tailored to meet the needs of FAO while duly-reflecting all pertinent considerations.

Improved Methods of Work and Efficiency of the Finance Committee

29. The Council welcomed the approval by the Finance Committee of its Multi-year Programme of Work for the period 2010-13.

Regional Conferences

Programme and budget matters arising from Regional Conferences Reports ⁷

30. The Council reviewed the outcomes of the four Regional Conferences held so far on the basis of their reports and the oral presentations made by the Chairpersons or their representatives.

31. The Council endorsed all four Regional Conference reports and, in particular, the areas of priority actions highlighting special concerns.

32. The Council acknowledged the requests emanating from Regional Conferences regarding:

- the need for strengthening the capacity of the Decentralized Offices network and a full vision paper in this regard;
- the special requirements of Africa, having the highest incidence of hungry people, which required greater FAO presence at country level;
- additional country offices in Central Asia;
- the need for adequate resources related to the work of FAO in Asia and the Pacific Region where the number of hungry people was the largest and where there were a number of Small Island States with special needs;
- the need to make available the in-depth analysis for further discussion on the proposal for one Global Shared Services Centre;
- the establishment of a Jacques Diouf Award in recognition of his outstanding contributions to food security, and
- the importance of the technical and normative work of the Organization.

33. The Council recommended that:

- a vision paper be prepared with a view to enhancing the efficiency and effectiveness of the Decentralized Offices network;
- the outcomes of the Regional Conferences be utilized for further reflection on priorities, and in the preparation of the next PWB; and
- the next set of Programme Implementation Reports be based on the Results-Based Framework.

34. The Council noted a proposal made by the Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean that the official name of FAO in Spanish be changed so that the word "food" precede "agriculture" for consistency among the designations of the Organization in other language versions. The Secretariat indicated that it would initiate the necessary action to that effect for consideration by the Conference.

Technical Committees

Programme and budget matters arising from Technical Committees Reports

Report of the 68th Session of the Committee on Commodity Problems (14-16 June 2010) ⁸

35. The Council endorsed:

- the report of the 68th Session of the Committee on Commodity Problems (CCP);

⁷ CL 140/13; CL 140/15; CL 140/16; CL 140/17; CL 140/PV/1; CL 140/PV/2; CL 140/PV/7.

⁸ CL 140/2; CL 140/PV/2; CL 140/PV/7.

- the CCP's request for prioritization of work on smallholder access to markets, price volatility, foreign investment in developing country agriculture and African agricultural trade, and stressed the need for these priorities to be reflected in the remainder of PWB 2010-11 and, as appropriate, in the PWB 2012-13;
- the CCP's recommendations for additional analysis on price volatility, particularly on its impacts and on appropriate policy responses. It noted that the High-Level Panel of Experts on Food Security and Nutrition (HLPE) of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS) had also been charged with work on this topic, and stressed the need for the CCP Secretariat's work to be supportive of this;
- the CCP's request for further development of the Principles for Responsible Agricultural Investment, and supported the proposal to start an inclusive process to consider those principles within the CFS.

36. The Council emphasized the importance of maintaining FAO's commodity market information and analysis capacity in improving market transparency and in expanding assistance to Member Nations to improve their own capacity for information and analysis. It requested that due attention be given to the need to collaborate with other relevant international organizations in the areas of commodity market information and analysis.

37. The Council welcomed the establishment of an Open-Ended Working Group (OEWG) under the chairpersonship of the Chairperson of the CCP to review the roles and working arrangements of the CCP and its sub-committees, and looked forward to defining the modalities of its work and to participating in the OEWG discussions.

*Report of the 22nd Session of the Committee on Agriculture (16-19 June 2010)*⁹

38. The Council endorsed the report of the 22nd Session of the Committee on Agriculture (COAG), and supported the future areas of work of the Organization, as elaborated in the report. Since there was no clear understanding of the cost implications and potential benefits of the establishment of a Subsidiary Body for Livestock under the Committee, the Council decided to defer consideration of the proposal.

39. The Council recognized the central role of COAG for priority-setting in many areas of work related to the mandate of FAO. It emphasized that in the process of priority-setting, the Committee should pay special attention to the needs of different regions and sub-regions. The Council urged that recommendations on priority-setting be aligned with FAO's comparative advantages, and requested that future Committee documents provide more detailed analysis on areas to be emphasized and those to be de-emphasized.

40. The Council requested that more visibility be assigned to partnerships, and recommended greater involvement of the private sector.

41. The Council reiterated the importance of FAO's comparative advantage in work on global conventions and voluntary guidelines, with special attention to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (ITPGRFA) and the Voluntary Guidelines on Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land and other Natural Resources. In this context, concern was expressed about the insufficient resources assigned to the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC).

42. The Council stressed that FAO's capacity in soil-related matter should be strengthened.

43. The Council welcomed the support and, in particular, the financial contribution announced by Switzerland to the Rio+20 process.

44. The Council considered that questions related to the duration of COAG and the call for a special session on Priority-Setting should be dealt with by its Bureau as well as by the Open-ended

⁹ CL 140/3; CL 140/PV/2; CL 140/PV7.

Working Group (OEWG) on measures designed to increase the efficiency of Governing Bodies, including representation.

*Report of the 20th Session of the Committee on Forestry (4-8 October 2010)*¹⁰

45. The Council endorsed the report of the 20th Session of the Committee on Forestry (COFO).

46. The Council requested FAO:

- to continue its work towards a further strengthened Global Forest Resources Assessment (FRA) in 2015, prepare a long-term strategy for the FRA programme, and continue to lead international coordination in this area. The Council recognized the need for a Voluntary Trust Fund to enhance country capacities in this field;
- to support countries to utilize the potential contributions of forests and trees outside forests in climate change mitigation and adaptation, including the reduction of emissions from deforestation and forest degradation (REDD-plus), while focusing on the areas of its comparative advantage;
- to support countries to achieve their goals in strengthening domestic forest law enforcement and governance, and
- to use the International Year of Forests 2011 as an opportunity for highlighting the role of forests in sustainable development, and to support countries' efforts in this regard.

47. The Council recommended that FAO:

- develop a comprehensive Report on the State of the World's Forest Genetic Resources and assist countries in integrating conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity in sustainable forest management;
- continue to review critical issues related to forests, water and soil, and support Member countries in this area, and
- continue its leading role in the Collaborative Partnership on Forests.

48. The Council endorsed the offer of South Africa to host the XIV World Forestry Congress, and noted with appreciation the gesture of India to withdraw its bid in favour of the African Continent.

*Report of the 36th Session of the Committee on World Food Security (11-14 and 16 October 2010)*¹¹

49. The Council endorsed the report of the 36th Session of the CFS.

50. The Council urged the Committee to make the necessary and adequate provisions to ensure better coordination with World Food Day.

51. The Council acknowledged the increasing involvement by the Civil Society Organizations in the Committee's activities, and called for the CFS to ensure that the involvement of the private sector follows the same path.

52. The Council welcomed the mandate given to the HLPE and looked forward to its contributions to support policy debate at CFS.

53. The Council supported:

- the inclusive process to develop the Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land and Other Natural Resources, and the proposal to start an inclusive process to consider the Principles for Responsible Agricultural Investment that Respect Rights, Livelihoods and Resources, within the CFS;
- the launch of an open and inclusive process with the aim to develop a first version of a Global Strategic Framework for Food Security and Nutrition by October 2012; and

¹⁰ CL 140/4; CL 140/PV/2; CL 140/PV/7.

¹¹ CL 140/5; CL 140/PV/2; CL 140/PV/7.

- holding a Round Table during 2011 to review methods used to estimate the number of hungry, taking into account the needs and participation of data providers and users of such information.

54. The Council endorsed the CFS PWB for 2010-11, and supported a transparent Bureau-led process to review and prepare the proposed CFS PWB 2012-13. It also supported the development of a results-based framework for CFS in the form of a Multi-year Programme of Work to help monitor progress made by the Committee, and to align the CFS budget and activities with those of FAO, IFAD and WFP, to be preferably presented at the session in October 2011.

Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters

Report of the 91st Session of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (20-22 September 2010) ¹²

55. The Council endorsed the report of the 91st Session of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (CCLM).

Matters related to the Implementation of the Immediate Plan of Action for FAO Renewal (IPA)

56. The Council noted that the CCLM had proposed Rules of Procedure for the Regional Conferences contained in Appendix I of its report, and formulated a number of observations in that connection. After a debate, the Council recommended that the proposed Rules of Procedure be further reviewed by the Regional Groups, with assistance from the Legal Office and the Secretariat as necessary, taking into account all relevant considerations, including the provisions of the Constitution and the General Rules of the Organization (GRO) regarding the status of the Regional Conferences. The Council noted that, insofar as the Regional Conferences would consider proposals for their Rules of Procedure only at their sessions of 2012, the Regional Groups would have time to review the proposals.

57. The Council endorsed a proposal that the CCLM should, at its forthcoming session, review proposals for amendment of Rule XXXV.4 of the GRO regarding the preparation of the provisional agendas of Regional Conferences.

58. The Council urged the CCLM and the Finance Committee to reach agreement on a document on the terms of reference and composition of the Ethics Committee at their sessions in the spring of 2011.

59. The Council requested that amendments to the Financial Regulations for the implementation of IPSAS be on the agenda of the 92nd Session of the CCLM (March 2011).

60. The Council noted that the CCLM had adopted its Rules of Procedure, contained in *Appendix D* to this Report, which would be inserted in the Basic Texts of the Organization.

61. The Council endorsed the proposal that a number of corrections, as set out in *Appendix E* to this Report, be administratively made to the Basic Texts. In doing so, the Council considered that the proposed references to the Strategic Framework and to the Medium Term Plan in Rule XXXVIII.2(g) of the GRO, which the CCLM had recommended, should be discussed further. The Council also noted that, as indicated in the report of the CCLM, a number of documents would be inserted in the Basic Texts. In this connection, the Council recalled that document CFS 2009/2 Rev.2 entitled "Reform of the Committee on World Food Security" would be inserted in Volume II of the Basic Texts in accordance with Conference Resolution 14/2009.

62. The Council noted that, as requested by the IPA, the CCLM had reviewed its draft Multi-year Programme of Work. The Council concurred with the view of the CCLM that its Multi-year Programme of Work had to take account of distinct features of the statutory functions of the

¹² CL 140/6; CL 140/6 Add.1; CL 140/PV/5; CL 140/PV/7.

Committee, as per Rule XXXIV.7 of the GRO, insofar as the CCLM held sessions to consider items referred to it as necessary and, in general, there were no standing or recurrent items on its agenda to be examined at pre-established dates. The Council noted that the CCLM intended to keep the matter under review at its future sessions.

Other matters arising from the Report of the 91st Session of the CCLM

(i) *Amendment to Rule XII.11 of the General Rules of the Organization*

63. The Council endorsed a proposal to amend Rule XII.11 of the GRO to reflect a practice followed by the Conference whereby, in an election for an elective place, other than the election of the Director-General, if there were more than two candidates and none obtained the required majority of the votes cast, successive ballots would be held and the candidate with the lowest number of votes for each ballot would be eliminated.

64. The Council endorsed the following Draft Conference Resolution, and agreed to forward it to the Conference for approval:

Draft Resolution for the Conference

Amendment to the General Rules of the Organization

THE CONFERENCE,

Recalling that the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (CCLM) at its 91st Session examined some inconveniences arising out of the procedures set out in Rule XII.11 of the General Rules of the Organization whereby “*in any election for one elective place, other than that of the Director-General, if a candidate fails on the first ballot to obtain a majority of the votes cast, successive ballots shall be taken at such time or times as the Conference or Council shall decide, until a candidate obtains such a majority,*” insofar as they could lead to an inconclusive number of ballots, and proposed an amendment to the General Rules of the Organization for approval by the Conference at its session in 2011;

Noting that the Council at its 140th Session endorsed the amendment proposed by the CCLM, and recommended that Rule XII.11 of the General Rules of the Organization be amended in order to ensure that in an election for one elective place in which there were more than two candidates, the candidate having obtained the lowest number of votes at each ballot would be eliminated;

Having considered the text of the amendment to the General Rules of the Organization proposed by the Council at its 140th Session;

Decides to adopt the following amendment to Rule XII.11 of the General Rules of the Organization:

“11. *In an election for one elective place, other than that of the Director-General, if a candidate fails on the first ballot to obtain a majority of the votes cast, successive ballots shall be taken until a candidate obtains such a majority, provided that in an election for one elective place in which there are more than two candidates, the candidate having received the lowest number of votes at each ballot shall be eliminated.*”

(ii) *Changes in the Terms of Reference of the Commission for Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture of Latin America and the Caribbean (COPESCAALC)*

65. The Council noted that the issue of the proposed changes to the Terms of Reference of COPESCAALC had been under consideration by the Commission and the CCLM. The Council also noted that the CCLM had reviewed and agreed with the conclusions of a study on the legal implications of the references in the revised Statutes of COPESCAALC to the Code of Conduct on Responsible Fisheries, and recommended that they should be made available to the Commission.

66. The Council adopted the following Resolution amending the terms of reference of COPESCAALC:

Resolution 1/140

***Commission for Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture of Latin America and the Caribbean
(COPESCAALC)***

THE COUNCIL,

Recognizing that the Council at its 70th Session, which took place in Rome from 29 November to 9 December 1976, established the Commission for Inland Fisheries of Latin America (COPESCAL), through Resolution 4/70;

Bearing in mind that COPESCAL has operated in an effective manner since its creation in 1976 and that, as a result of the experience it has gained over the years, the need has arisen to introduce a series of changes to its statutes;

Recognizing the proven importance not only of inland fisheries but also of aquaculture for Latin America, and the need to continue activities for the further development of these sectors;

Taking note that the 11th Session of COPESCAL, held in Manaus, Brazil, from 1 to 4 September 2009, had agreed to change the name and statutes of COPESCAL to better reflect reality;

- 1) **Approves**, under Article VI.1 of the Constitution, the change of the name of COPESCAL to “Commission for Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture of Latin America and the Caribbean – COPESCAALC”, hereinafter “the Commission”, and
- 2) **Approves** its revised Statutes, set out in *Appendix F* to this Report.

(Adopted on 3 December 2010)

(iii) *Amendment to the Agreement for the Establishment of a Regional Animal Production and Health Commission for Asia and the Pacific*

67. The Council noted that the CCLM had endorsed a proposed amendment to Article X of the Agreement for the Establishment of a Regional Animal Production and Health Commission for Asia and the Pacific, and that the Commission had adopted that amendment at its 34th Session held in October 2010.

68. The Council adopted the following Resolution approving the amendment to Article X of the Agreement for the Establishment of a Regional Animal Production and Health Commission for Asia and the Pacific:

Resolution 2/140

***Amendment to the Agreement for the Establishment of a Regional Animal Production and Health
Commission for Asia and the Pacific***

THE COUNCIL,

Considering the proposal made by the Regional Animal Production and Health Commission for Asia and the Pacific at its 33rd Session (Pokhara, Nepal, 26-28 October 2009) to amend Article X of the Agreement;

Having considered the advice of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters during its 91st Session (Rome, 21-22 September 2010);

Noting that the Regional Animal Production and Health Commission for Asia and the Pacific at its 34th Session (Phuket, Thailand, 25-27 October 2010), adopted the amendment to the Agreement under which it had been established;

Considering further that, under Article XVII.3 of the Agreement, amendments to the Agreement require the approval of the Council;

Approves the following amendment to the Agreement for the Establishment of a Regional Animal Production and Health Commission for Asia and the Pacific:

ARTICLE X

Secretariat

The Director-General of the Organization shall provide the Secretary and Staff of the Commission who, for administrative purposes, shall be responsible to him. They shall be appointed under the same terms and conditions as the staff of the Organization. ~~The Secretary of the Commission shall be a veterinarian.~~¹³

(Adopted on 3 December 2010)

(iv) *Amendment to the Statutes of the European Inland Fisheries Advisory Commission*

69. The Council noted that, following deliberations over a number of years, the European Inland Fisheries Advisory Commission (EIFAC), at its 26th Session in May 2010 had agreed to change the name and Statutes of the Commission.

70. The Council adopted the following Resolution:

Resolution 3/140

European Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture Advisory Commission (EIFAAC)

THE COUNCIL,

Recalling Resolution 2/26 of 1957 which established the European Inland Fisheries Advisory Commission (EIFAC) under Article VI.1 of the FAO Constitution;

Recognizing that during more than half a century, the Commission has done valuable work as the only management-oriented, knowledge-based and officially recognized forum for European inland fisheries and aquaculture;

Recognizing the proven importance not only of inland fisheries but also of aquaculture for Europe and the need to continue activities in further developing these sectors;

Bearing in mind that despite external political, social, economic, financial and environmental factors, no change has been introduced to the mandate of the Commission since its establishment, and only marginal alterations to its institutional structure and processes have been implemented;

Taking into consideration that the European Inland Fisheries Advisory Commission at its 26th Session (Zagreb, Croatia, May 2010) unanimously agreed on a revised text of its constituent instrument and invited the Council to approve it to strengthen EIFAC in promoting the effective long-term sustainable development, utilization, restoration and responsible management of European inland fisheries and aquaculture;

Taking note that the 25th Session of EIFAC (Antalya, Turkey, 21-28 May 2008) had agreed to change the name of EIFAC by introducing aquaculture to recognize its importance to the countries in Europe and to properly reflect the activities of EIFAC;

Decides to approve the revised Statutes of the European Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture Advisory Commission (EIFAAC) as set out in *Appendix G* to this Report:

(Adopted on 3 December 2010)

¹³ Deletions are indicated using ~~struck out text~~.

71. The Council noted that the CCLM would examine at its next session issues related to proposed access by Members to reports of the Office of the Inspector-General and to the Whistleblower Protection Policy.

Governance Matters

Multi-year Programme of Work of the Council ¹⁴

72. In line with the IPA, the Council reviewed its draft Multi-year Programme of Work (MYPOW) 2010-13.

73. A number of amendments were made to the proposed text during the discussion, and the Council approved the agreed revised text of its MYPOW 2010-13, as included in *Appendix H*, noting that it should remain a living document, to be adjusted as needed based on lessons learned in the course of its implementation.

Immediate Plan of Action Progress Report ¹⁵

74. The Council took note of the useful information provided in CL 140/14 and discussed proposals on presentation, content and format of the next progress report to the CoC-IEE at its February 2011 session. It acknowledged the difficulties in summarizing progress reporting on the IPA, and requested that a more balanced approach be achieved between quantitative and qualitative information in future progress reports on IPA implementation, covering a longer time period so that Members could clearly understand if the FAO reform was on track.

75. The Council welcomed the satisfactory progress in the six thematic areas of the FAO Reform and the tangible benefits that were recognized to be achieved from IPA implementation and underscored the importance of planned Culture Change initiatives.

76. The Council welcomed the comprehensive Risk Assessment undertaken by Management and the timely corrective measures taken by the Director-General to improve internal IPA programme governance effectiveness and to strengthen IPA programme management. It urged Management to undertake the necessary measures to address project level risks so that the expected benefits of the IPA could be realized.

77. The Council noted the information provided on 2010 IPA expenditure, and the confirmation that all 2010-11 costs and savings would remain at the level of the approved appropriation and the preliminary estimates on the 2012-13 IPA programme.

78. The Council requested that further information on the estimated 2012-13 IPA programme costs, including for the new IPA implementation initiatives proposed for the biennium to be provided to the Finance Committee at its special session to be convened in early 2011.

Open-ended Working Group on measures designed to increase the efficiency of Governing Bodies, including representation ¹⁶

79. The Council welcomed the progress made so far by the Open-ended Working Group (OEWG) on measures designed to increase the efficiency of Governing Bodies, including representation, noted the efforts of the Independent Chairperson of Council in this regard, and endorsed the proposals on timing and accuracy of documentation for Governing Body meetings, as contained in the Annex to document CL 140/19.

80. The Council encouraged the OEWG to continue examining the issues falling within its mandate in the spirit of understanding and consensus.

¹⁴ CL 140/18; CL 140/18-Rev.1; CL 140/PV/4; CL 140/PV/5; CL 140/PV/7.

¹⁵ CL 140/14; CL 140/PV/4; CL 140/PV/7.

¹⁶ CL 140/19; CL 140/PV/5; CL 140/PV/7.

81. In order to have a fully informed discussion at the next meeting of the OEWG, the Council urged the Secretariat to prepare a document detailing the financial implications of all the different measures proposed.

Note on the Methods of Work of the Council¹⁷

82. The Council reviewed the revised *Note on the Methods of Work of the Council* and proposed amendments thereto. As this matter was closely linked with the ongoing discussions in the OEWG, the Council agreed that the revised *Note* should be discussed at the next meeting of the OEWG in February 2011, then forwarded to the CCLM before final review and adoption at the 141st Session of Council (11-15 April 2011).

Arrangements for the 37th Session of the Conference (25 June - 2 July 2011)¹⁸

Arrangements for the Session and Provisional Agenda

83. The Council agreed to submit to the Conference for approval the Provisional Agenda and the Arrangements outlined in document CL 140/12, and in particular recommended that:

- a) two Commissions be established to examine, respectively: (i) Substantive and Policy Matters in Food and Agriculture; and (ii) Programme and Budgetary Matters;
- b) the deadline for receipt of nominations for election to the Council be set at 12:00 hours on Monday, 27 June 2011, and the election be held on Friday, 1 July 2011.

Deadline for Nominations for the Post of Independent Chairperson of the Council

84. The Council decided to establish a deadline for the receipt of nominations for the Office of Independent Chairperson of the Council at 12:00 hours on Monday 11 April 2011.

Nomination of the Chairperson of the Conference and the Chairpersons of Commission I and Commission II

85. The Council noted that consultations had taken place among delegations and that there was consensus on nominating His Excellency Teferra Derebew, Minister for Agriculture and Rural Development, Ethiopia, as Chairperson of the Conference. Furthermore, it agreed that the Chairperson of Commission I be from a country not within the G77 Group and the Chairperson of Commission II be from a country from the G77 Group.

86. The Council agreed:

- to defer decision on the composition of the General Committee, the Credentials Committee and the Resolutions Committee until its 141st Session (April 2011);
- to recommend to the Conference that Palestine be invited to the Conference in an observer capacity;
- to recommend to the Conference that the theme of the General Debate at the 37th Session be "The Vital Role of Women in Agriculture and Rural Development".

Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2010-2012¹⁹

87. The Council took note of the draft Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions for 2012, and of amendments to the Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions for 2010 as reproduced in *Appendix I* to this Report.

88. The Council approved the Calendar for 2011 as reproduced in *Appendix I* to this Report.

89. The Council agreed that:

¹⁷ CL 140/20; CL 140/PV/5; CL 140/PV/7.

¹⁸ CL 140/12; CL 140/PV/6; CL 140/PV/7.

¹⁹ CL 140/LIM/2; CL 140/PV/6; CL 140/PV/7.

- an additional session of the Finance Committee dedicated to WFP matters be held on 8 and 9 February 2011;
- no FAO meeting should be held on Eid-El-Fitr and Eid Al-Adha in accordance with Resolution 52/214 and Resolution 52/468 of the UN General Assembly; and
- future Calendars of FAO/IFAD/WFP Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions should also reflect the IFAD Replenishment meetings, as well as sessions of IFAD Audit and Evaluation Committees.

90. The Council noted the rolling nature of the Calendar, and agreed that any additional amendments to the 2011 Calendar would be introduced through consultation with the Independent Chairperson of Council.

Other Matters

Election of Six Members of the WFP Executive Board ²⁰

91. In accordance with Resolution 6/99 adopted by the 30th Session of the FAO Conference on 13 November 1999, the Council elected six members from the following lists to the WFP Executive Board for a term of office of three years (1 January 2011 to 31 December 2013).

<i>List</i>	<i>Members</i>
A	Cameroon South Africa
B	Saudi Arabia
C	Haiti
D	Canada Germany

92. The Council took note that Switzerland would resign from the WFP Executive Board on 31 December 2010, and agreed that Ireland would occupy this List D seat for the remainder of the term of office to 31 December 2011.

Programme Implementation Report 2008-2009 ²¹

93. The Council appreciated the improved presentation format and content of the Programme Implementation Report 2008-2009, and endorsed the document for transmission to Conference.

94. The Council recognized that the PIR 2008-09 was the last such report under the previous FAO planning framework, and that future implementation reports would measure progress against the results in the new Strategic Framework 2010-19. The Council stressed the importance of future PIRs as a key accountability instrument under the new results-based monitoring and reporting system. The Council requested that the Secretariat continue to refine the format and content of the new PIR, which should include:

- a) the achievement of Organizational Results, as measured by indicators and related targets;
- b) lessons learned to improve future performance and programming, including through evaluations, and
- c) use of resources from all funding sources applied to the achievement of the Organizational Results.

²⁰ CL 140/10; CL 140/LIM/4; CL 140/PV/4; CL 140/PV/7.

²¹ C 2011/8; CL 140/PV/4; CL 140/PV/7.

Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO²²

95. A presentation on the Outcome of the G20 Seoul Summit and the Role of FAO in Action Points on Food Security and Price Volatility was made, informing the Council that FAO was already working in close partnership with other international organizations on the issues raised by the G20 and was therefore well-placed to respond to the requests by the G20 on issues pertaining to food security and the threats posed by price volatility.

96. As required by the IPA, presentations were also made on the following subjects:

- High-level Plenary Meeting of the 65th Session of the United Nations General Assembly and Rome-based collaboration;
- FAO membership of Leading Group on Innovative Financing for Development;
- Participation in international agricultural fora regarding child labour, youth employment and the eradication of poverty;
- Road Map for Scaling-Up Nutrition (SUN);
- Forthcoming developments in the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change;
- Global Forum of Agricultural Research and reform process of the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research.

Appointment of the Deputy Director-General (Knowledge)²³

97. The Director-General informed the Council that he intended to appoint a new Deputy Director-General (Knowledge), Ms M. Ann Tutwiler.

98. The Council unanimously confirmed the appointment of Ms Tutwiler as Deputy Director-General for Knowledge of FAO.

Any Other Matters²⁴

99. The Council reviewed the draft Provisional Agenda for its 141st Session (April 2011), set out in document CL 140/INF/8.

100. The Council requested that the Secretariat prepare a paper on the terms and conditions for the appointment of the Director-General for submission to the 141st Session of the Council (April 2011)²⁵, to allow Members the opportunity to consider it in a timely manner, taking into consideration financial implications as part of the budgetary process.

101. On the question of International Years of Commodities, it was suggested that the subject be considered by an informal working group to be set up by the Independent Chairperson of the Council.

²² CL 140/INF/6; CL 140/INF/6/Add.1; CL 140/PV/6; CL 140/PV/7.

²³ CL 140/LIM/3; CL 140/PV/6; CL 140/PV/7.

²⁴ CL 140/INF/8; CL 140/PV/6; CL 140/PV/7.

²⁵ The paper would be submitted through the CCLM and the Finance Committee.

APPENDIX A

Agenda for the Hundred and Fortieth Session of the Council

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2. Election of three Vice-Chairpersons, and Designation of the Chairperson and Members of the Drafting Committee

II. Programme Committee and Finance Committee

3. Report of the Joint Meeting of the 104th Session of the Programme Committee and the 135th Session of the Finance Committee (27 October 2010)
4. Report of the 104th Session of the Programme Committee (25-29 October 2010)
 - 4.1 Priorities for the technical work of the Organization in the 2012-13 biennium
5. Reports of the 133rd (31 May-1 June 2010), 134th (21-22 October 2010) and 135th (25-29 October 2010) Sessions of the Finance Committee

III. Regional Conferences

6. Programme and budget matters arising from Regional Conferences Reports:
 - 6.1 Report of the 31st Session of the Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean (Panama City, Panama, 26-30 April 2010)
 - 6.2 Report of the 26th Session of the Regional Conference for Africa (Luanda, Angola, 3-7 May 2010)
 - 6.3 Report of the 27th Session of the Regional Conference for Europe (Yerevan, Armenia, 13-14 May 2010)
 - 6.4 Report of the 30th Session of the Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific (Gyeongju, Republic of Korea, 27 September-1 October 2010)

IV. Technical Committees

7. Programme and budget matters arising from Technical Committees Reports:
 - 7.1 Report of the 68th Session of the Committee on Commodity Problems (14-16 June 2010)
 - 7.2 Report of the 22nd Session of the Committee on Agriculture (16-19 June 2010)

- 7.3 Report of the 20th Session of the Committee on Forestry (4-8 October 2010)
 - Fourteenth World Forestry Congress 2015
- 7.4 Report of the 36th Session of the Committee on World Food Security (11-14 and 16 October 2010)

V. Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters

8. Report of the 91st Session of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (20-22 September 2010)

VI. Governance Matters

9. Multi-year Programme of Work of the Council
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APPENDIX D**Rules of Procedure of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters**

**Rule I
Officers**

1. At its first session held after the election of the Chairperson and the Members by the Council, the Committee shall elect a Vice-Chairperson from among the representatives of its Members, who shall remain in office until the election of a new Vice-Chairperson. The Vice-Chairperson's term of office shall terminate at the end of the Committee's term of office. If the Vice-Chairperson is prevented from exercising functions for the remainder of the term of office, due to resignation, disability, death, or for any other reason, the Committee shall elect a new Vice-Chairperson from among the representatives of its Members for the remainder of the vacated term of office.
2. The Chairperson or, in his or her absence, the Vice-Chairperson shall preside at meetings of the Committee and exercise such other functions as may be required to facilitate its work. In the absence from any meeting of the Chairperson and the Vice-Chairperson, the Committee shall elect one of the representatives of its Members to take the chair.
3. If the Chairperson of the Committee is prevented from exercising functions for the remainder of the term of office, due to resignation, disability, death, or for any other reason, those functions shall be assumed by the Vice-Chairperson until the election by the Council, at its first session following the occurrence of the vacancy, of a new Chairperson. The new Chairperson shall be elected for the remainder of the vacated term of office.

**Rule II
Sessions and Meetings**

1. The Committee shall hold sessions as provided in Rule XXXIV, paragraph 7 of the General Rules of the Organization.
2. Any number of separate meetings may be held during each session of the Committee.
3. The meetings of the Committee shall be open to silent observers, unless otherwise decided by the Committee. Silent observers shall not take part in any debates.
4. The sessions of the Committee shall be held at the seat of the Organization, or at another place in pursuance of a decision of the Council. Before the date and place of a session are determined, the representatives of the Members will be consulted to the extent possible.
5. Notice of the date and place of each session shall be communicated to all representatives of Members of the Committee as early as possible in advance of the session.
6. If the representative of a Member of the Committee is expected to be unable to attend a session, or if due to incapacity, death or any other reason that representative is prevented from exercising functions for the remainder of the term for which the Member that he or she represents has been elected, that Member shall inform the Director-General and the Chairperson as soon as

possible, and may designate a substitute representative who shall have the qualifications and experience referred to in paragraph 1 of Rule XXXIV of the General Rules of the Organization.

7. Presence of representatives of a majority of the Members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum for any formal action by the Committee.

Rule III

Agenda

1. The Director-General, in consultation with the Chairperson of the Committee, shall prepare a provisional agenda for any session of the Committee. Every effort shall be made to circulate to all representatives of Members of the Committee, as early as possible in advance of that session, the provisional agenda and the documents to be considered by the Committee at the session.

2. Any representative of a Member of the Committee may, up to 14 days before the start of a session, request the Director-General to insert an item in the provisional agenda. The Director-General shall thereupon circulate the proposed item, together with any necessary papers, to all representatives of the Members of the Committee.

3. The first item on the provisional agenda shall be the adoption of the agenda.

4. The Committee in session may amend the agenda by the deletion, addition, or modification of any item, provided that no matter referred to it by the Council, or on the request of the Conference, shall be omitted from the agenda as adopted.

Rule IV

Voting and Proceedings

1. Each representative of a Member of the Committee shall have one vote.

2. Decisions of the Committee shall be taken by consensus. Where efforts to reach consensus have failed, the Committee shall decide by a majority of the votes cast.

3. The Chairperson of the Committee does not represent a region or a country and shall not vote. A Vice-Chairperson acting as Chairperson or the representative of a Member who takes the chair in accordance with Rule I, paragraph 2 of these Rules may continue to represent a region or a country. When a Vice-Chairperson acts as Chairperson or the representative of a Member takes the chair in accordance with Rule I, paragraph 2 of these Rules, decisions of the Committee shall be taken by consensus.

4. Upon the request of any representative of a Member, voting shall be by roll call, in which case the vote of each representative shall be recorded.

5. When the Committee so decides, voting shall be by secret ballot.

6. The provisions of Rule XII of the General Rules of the Organization shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to all matters which are not specifically dealt with under this Rule.

Rule V
Records and Reports

1. At each session, the Committee shall approve a report embodying its conclusions, recommendations and decisions, including, when requested, a statement of minority views. Such other records for its own use as the Committee may on occasion decide shall also be maintained.
2. Where necessary, appropriate arrangements will be made for safeguarding the confidential nature of documents used by the Committee.

Rule VI
Expenses

1. The travelling expenses of the Chairperson and the representative of each Member of the Committee properly incurred in travelling, by the most direct route, from the Chairperson's or representative's duty station, to the site of the Committee session and return to the duty station, shall be borne by the Organization.
2. Travelling expenses and subsistence allowances shall be payable in accordance with the travel regulations of the Organization.

Rule VII
Suspension of Rules

Any Rule of Procedure of the Committee may be suspended by the Committee, provided that 24 hours' notice of the proposal for the suspension has been given, and that the suspension is not incompatible with the Constitution and the General Rules of the Organization. The notice period may be waived if no representative of a Member objects.

APPENDIX E

**Correction of Errors and Editorial Adjustments to the General Rules of the Organization
(GRO)**

Rule XXV, paragraph 3(a) of the GRO

“3. At its session held immediately after a regular session of the Conference, the Council shall:

*(a) elect the Chairpersons and Members of the Programme Committee, ~~and the Finance Committee, and the Members of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters;~~
(...)”¹*

Paragraph 10 of Rules XXVI and XXVII of the GRO

“10. The Chairperson and the representatives of Members of the Committee shall be reimbursed for the cost of their travel expenses, properly incurred in travelling, by the most direct route, from their duty station to the site of the Committee session and return to their duty station. They shall also be paid a subsistence allowance while attending sessions of the Committee, in accordance with the travel regulations of the Organization.”

Rule XXIX, paragraph 10 of the GRO

“Rule XXIX

Committee on Commodity Problems

(...)

10. The Committee may, when necessary, establish subcommittees, intergovernmental commodity groups and ad hoc subsidiary bodies, subject to the necessary funds being available in the relevant chapter of the approved budget of the Organization. It may include in the membership of such subcommittees and ad hoc subsidiary bodies Member Nations which are not Members of the Committee and Associate Members. Membership of intergovernmental commodity groups established by the Committee shall be open to all Member Nations and Associate Members of the Organization, and the Council may admit to membership of such groups States which, while not Member Nations or Associate Members of the Organization, are members of the United Nations, any of its specialized agencies or the International Atomic Energy Agency. ~~It may authorize the Director-General to invite at their request States which, while not Member Nations or Associate Members of the Organization, are members of the United Nations, any of its specialized agencies or the International Atomic Energy Agency, to attend consultations, convened under paragraph 1(d) of Rule XXIV of the General Rules of the Organization, on individual commodities and participate in the discussions, with the right to vote and to hold office. Former Member Nations of the Organization which have withdrawn leaving arrears of contributions shall not be admitted to membership in intergovernmental commodity groups or attend consultations on individual commodities until such time as they have paid up all such arrears or the Conference has~~

¹ Proposals regarding insertions are indicated using underlined italics and deletions are indicated using ~~struck out text~~.

approved an arrangement for the settlement thereof, or unless the Council, in special circumstances, decides otherwise with respect to such admission.”

Rule XXXII, paragraph 6(d) of the GRO

“d) review specific matters relating to agriculture and livestock, food and nutrition referred to the Committee by the Conference, the Council or the Director-General, or placed by the Committee on its agenda at the request of a Member Nation in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Committee, and make recommendations as may be appropriate.”

Rule XXXIV paragraph 9 of the GRO

“9. In considering items referred to it under paragraphs 6 7 and 7 8, the Committee may make recommendations and give advisory opinion, as appropriate.”

Rule XXXVI, paragraph 2 of the GRO

“Rule XXXVI

Commissions, Committees and Working Parties

1. Commissions, committees and working parties set up in pursuance of Article VI of the Constitution may establish subcommissions, subcommittees or subsidiary working parties either to perform a substantive part of their functions or to carry out a specific task. Associate Members may participate in the deliberations of such subcommissions, subcommittees or subsidiary working parties but shall not hold office or have the right to vote.

*~~2. The first paragraph of this Rule shall be interpreted in conformity with the provisions of Rule XXIV, paragraph 1(d)(v) of these Rules.~~
(following paragraphs to be renumbered)”*

Rule XXXVIII paragraph 2(g) of the GRO

“Rule XXXVIII

Functions of the Director-General

(...)

2. In particular, the Director-General shall, in accordance with these Rules and the Financial Regulations, and provided that he reports to the Council or Conference as appropriate on all matters involving policy issues:

(...)

g) prepare:

i) in the light of guidance given by the Conference and Council at previous sessions and by regional and technical conferences, commissions or committees, ~~a summary~~ a draft Programme of Work and Budget for consideration by the Programme and Finance Committees, other appropriate organs of the Organization, and the Council; and

ii) in the light of the observations by the aforementioned Committees and organs and by the Council, a draft Programme of Work and Budget for submission to the Conference.

APPENDIX F

Statutes of the Commission for Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture of Latin America and the Caribbean (COPESCAALC)

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Commission is to promote the management and sustainable development of inland fisheries and aquaculture in accordance with the principles and rules of the Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries of FAO.

In addition, the Commission shall:

- a) foster the development of inland fisheries and aquaculture as an instrument of support to food security;
- b) pay special attention to subsistence inland fisheries and small-scale aquaculture;
- c) be able to establish coordination and cooperation relations with other international organizations in thematic areas of mutual interest.

Interpretation and application of these statutory provisions shall take place in accordance with the principles and rules of the Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries and its related instruments.

2. Membership

The Commission shall be open to all Member Nations and Associate Members of the Organization which are serviced by the Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean. It shall be composed of those eligible Member Nations and Associate Members which notify the Director-General of their desire to be considered as Members.

3. Functions

The functions of the Commission are:

- a) to support the formulation of national and regional policies and plans for the management and development of inland fisheries and aquaculture, with due consideration of the social, economic, cultural and environmental aspects of the Member Nations;
- b) to promote and coordinate studies for the management and sustainable development of inland fisheries and aquaculture, as well as national and regional programmes of research and development related to such activities;
- c) to foster the sustainable development of subsistence inland fisheries and small-scale aquaculture;
- d) to promote, at regional level, activities aimed at protecting ecosystems related to inland fisheries and aquaculture, including, as the case may be, appropriate restocking actions;
- e) to promote application of the ecosystems approach and implementation of adequate certification and biosafety measures in inland fisheries and aquaculture;
- f) to identify the social, institutional and economic factors that hold back the development of inland fisheries and aquaculture, and recommend measures that will contribute to improving the quality of life of stakeholders;
- g) to collaborate in the management and the economic and social assessment of recreational inland fishing and its development;
- h) to promote the implementation of good management practices and sustainable technologies in inland fisheries and aquaculture, in accordance with the Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries;

- i) to promote good post-catch and post-harvest practices, and good marketing practices for products of inland fisheries and aquaculture, in accordance with internationally accepted sanitary and food safety standards;
- j) to contribute to the building of institutional capacity and to the development of human resources through training, extension and technology transfer in areas of competence of the Commission, in collaboration with national and regional institutions;
- k) to assist in the generation, dissemination and exchange of data, information and statistics on inland fisheries and aquaculture;
- l) to help Member Nations, upon their request, with the management and sustainable use of transboundary stocks under their respective national jurisdictions;
- m) to collaborate with Member Nations in the formulation of national and regional plans and projects to be executed in cooperation with those Member Nations, and with other sources of international cooperation, in order to attain the objectives set out in the previous paragraphs;
- n) to promote the updating and harmonization of national legislations on inland fisheries and aquaculture;
- o) to mobilize monetary and non-monetary resources to facilitate the activities of the Commission and to create, if necessary, one or more trust funds to receive voluntary contributions for that purpose;
- p) to foster collaboration among Member Nations of the Commission, and between the latter and international bodies;
- q) to draw up the Commission's plan of work; and
- r) to perform any other functions related to the management and sustainable development of inland fisheries and aquaculture in the region.

4. Subsidiary bodies

- a) The Commission may establish an Executive Committee and such other subsidiary bodies as may be required for the effective discharge of its functions.
- b) The establishment of any subsidiary body shall be subject to the determination by the Director-General that the necessary funds are available in the relevant chapter of the budget of the Organization. Before taking any decision involving expenditure in connection with the establishment of subsidiary bodies, the Commission must have before it a report from the Director-General on the administrative and financial implications thereof.

5. Reports

The Commission shall submit to the Director-General reports on its activities and recommendations at appropriate intervals so as to enable the Director-General to take them into consideration when preparing the draft Programme of Work and Budget of the Organization or other submissions to the Organization's Governing Bodies. The Director-General shall bring to the attention of the Conference through the Council any recommendations adopted by the Commission which have policy implications or which affect the programme or finances of the Organization. Copies of each report of the Commission will be circulated to Member Nations and Associate Members of the Organization and international organizations for their information as soon as they become available.

6. Secretariat and expenses

- a) The Secretary of the Commission shall be appointed by the Director-General and shall be administratively responsible to him. The expenses of the Secretariat of the Commission shall be determined and paid by the Organization within the limits of the relevant appropriations in the approved budget of the Organization.
- b) With a view to promoting the development of inland fisheries and aquaculture, the Organization may also establish trust funds comprising voluntary contributions from the Members of the Commission or from private or public sources, and the

Commission may advise on the use of such funds which shall be administered by the Director-General in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the Organization.

- c) Expenses incurred by representatives of Members of the Commission, their alternates or advisers, when attending sessions of the Commission or its subsidiary bodies, as well as the expenses of observers at sessions, shall be borne by the respective governments or organizations.

7. Observers

- a) Any Member Nation or Associate Member of the Organization that is not a Member of the Commission but has an interest in the development of inland fishery or aquaculture in the region of Latin America and the Caribbean may, upon prior request, be invited by the Director-General to attend meetings of the Commission or its subsidiary bodies in an observer capacity.
- b) States which, while not Member Nations or Associate Members of the Organization, are Members of the United Nations, any of its Specialized Agencies or the International Atomic Energy Agency may, upon their request, and with the approval of the Council of the Organization, be invited to attend meetings of the Commission or its subsidiary bodies in an observer capacity in accordance with the provisions relating to the granting of observer status to nations adopted by the Conference of the Organization.

8. Participation of international organizations

Participation of international organizations in the work of the Commission and relations between the Commission and such organizations shall be governed by the relevant provisions of the Constitution and the General Rules of the Organization, as well as the rules on relations with international organizations adopted by the Conference or Council of the Organization.

9. Rules of Procedure

The Commission may adopt and amend its own rules of procedure which shall be in conformity with the Constitution and the General Rules of the Organization and with the Statement of Principles Governing Commissions and Committees adopted by the Conference. The rules of procedure and amendments thereto shall come into force upon approval by the Director-General.

APPENDIX G

**Statutes of the European Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture Advisory Commission
(EIFAAC)**

1. General objective of the Commission

Without prejudice to the sovereignty of its members, the Commission shall:

- a) promote the sustainable development, utilization, conservation, management, protection and restoration of European inland fisheries and aquaculture resources, including commercial and recreational fisheries and aquaculture, based on the best available scientific advice and the application of an ecosystem approach, the precautionary approach and the need to safeguard biodiversity;
- b) identify and address strategic issues for European inland fisheries and aquaculture and provide advice and recommendations on future policies, measures and related actions needed to address the issues in a rapid and accountable manner as requested by Members;
- c) provide advice to managers/decision makers of inland fisheries and aquaculture as requested based on scientific, social, economic, legal and other factors;
- d) serve as a forward-looking international platform for the collation, validation, dissemination and consideration of information on common challenges and opportunities to European inland fisheries and aquaculture, and to this end, inter alia, proactively identify:
 - relevant scientific, social, economic, legal, statistical and other information and make recommendations for decision makers, taking into account the need to protect and preserve the aquatic ecosystems; and
 - common problems and solutions, and harmonized approaches as appropriate.

2. General principles

The Commission shall have due regard for and promote the application of the objectives and principles stated in the 1995 FAO Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries, including the precautionary and ecosystem approaches, and in its related technical guidelines on inland fisheries and aquaculture development, and other relevant international instruments.

3. Area of competence

The area of competence of the Commission shall extend to the inland waters and areas within the territorial boundaries of its Members and transboundary water basins bordering those areas.

4. Focus of competence

The mandate of the Commission shall extend to all aquatic organisms and their related environment.

5. Members

Membership in the Commission shall be open to all European Members of the Organization.

6. Functions of the Commission

The functions of the Commission shall be to:

- a) promote and advise its Members and FAO on the sustainable utilization, conservation, management protection and restoration of European inland fisheries and aquaculture resources based on the best available scientific advice and the application of an ecosystem approach, the precautionary approach and the need to safeguard biodiversity;
- b) identify and address strategic issues for European inland fisheries and aquaculture and provide advice and recommendations on future policies, measures and related actions needed to address the issues as requested by Members and FAO;
- c) promote, coordinate and, as appropriate, undertake the collation, validation, exchange and dissemination of scientific, biological, socio-economic, legal and environmental data and information, including information on common challenges and solutions to European inland fisheries and aquaculture, as well as their analysis or study;
- d) initiate and/or carry out programmes or projects aimed at:
 - i) increasing the efficiency and sustainable productivity of fisheries and aquaculture;
 - ii) advising on the conservation and management of inland fisheries and aquaculture resources;
 - iii) protecting resources from pollution and habitat degradation;
 - iv) facilitating the restoration of degraded habitats and depleted resources;
- e) keep under review the state of the inland fisheries and aquaculture resources of its Members;
- f) encourage education and training including as appropriate by the promotion and the organization of seminars, workshops and other fora;
- g) promote liaison and cooperation among its Members;
- h) enhance communication and consultation with civil society organizations concerned with inland commercial and recreational fisheries and aquaculture;
- i) seek funds and other resources for possible projects outside the Organization's Regular budget and establish, as appropriate, a trust fund for voluntary contributions; and
- j) carry out such other activities as may be necessary for the Commission to achieve its objectives and functions.

7. Institutions

1. Meetings of the Commission shall be held at least once every two years. Intersessional decisions may be taken regarding specific projects through a written procedure.

2. The Commission shall consist of the following Committees:

- a) Management Committee with authority to address organizational, financial, administrative and strategic issues, facilitate the approval of project proposals by the Commission and initiate and monitor the implementation of a long-term strategy; and

- b) Technical and Scientific Committee with authority to make, evaluate and recommend project proposals to the Management Committee, develop terms of reference for projects and monitor project implementation against the terms of reference,

which shall have such membership, additional functions and Rules of Procedure that the Commission may define.

3. The establishment of any subsidiary body shall be subject to the determination by the Director-General that the necessary funds are available in the relevant chapter of the budget of the Organization. Before taking any decision involving expenditure in connection with the establishment of subsidiary bodies the Commission must have before it a report from the Director-General on the administrative and financial implications thereof.

4. The Secretary of the Commission shall be appointed by the Director-General and shall be administratively responsible to him.

8. Reporting

Copies of reports of the Commission shall be circulated to Members of the Commission and to other Member Nations and Associate Members of the Organization and international organizations for their information as soon as they become available. The activities of the Commission shall be reported to COFI as appropriate. The Commission shall submit to the Director-General reports on its activities and recommendations at such appropriate intervals as to enable the Director-General to take them into consideration when preparing the Programme of Work and Budget and other submissions to the Governing Bodies. Recommendations of the Commission having policy or programme and budgetary implications shall be reported to the Conference or Council, as the case may be, through COFI.

9. Observers

1. Any Member Nation or Associate Member of the Organization that is not a member of the Commission may, upon its request, be represented in an observer capacity at meetings of the Commission.

2. States which, while not Members of the Organization, are members of the United Nations, any of its Specialized Agencies or the International Atomic Energy Agency may, upon their request, and with the approval of the Commission be represented in an observer capacity in accordance with the provisions adopted by the Conference of the Organization relating to the granting of observer status to Nations.

3. The Commission shall provide for the participation of intergovernmental and, on request, international non-governmental organizations having special competence in the field of activity of the Commission in its meetings as observers in accordance with its Rules of Procedure.

4. Participation of international organizations in the work of the Commission and relations between the Commission and such organizations shall be governed by the relevant provisions of the Constitution and General Rules of the Organization as well as the rules on relations with international organizations adopted by the Conference and Council of the Organization.

5. Rules for the participation of observers shall be established in the Rules of Procedure.

10. Rules of Procedure

The Commission may adopt and amend its own rules of procedure which shall be in conformity with the Constitution and General Rules of the Organization and with the Statement of Principles Governing Commissions and Committees adopted by the Conference. The rules of procedure and amendments thereto shall come into force upon approval by the Director-General.

11. Cooperation with International Organizations

The Commission shall coordinate and cooperate closely with other relevant international organizations on matters of common interest, and such coordination and cooperation shall be carried out in accordance with the relevant rules and procedures of the Organization.

12. Performance assessment and review

Three years after the approval by Council of this Resolution an evaluation shall be made of the work undertaken against the objectives and functions of EIFAAC, including appropriate recommendations.

APPENDIX H

Council Multi-year Programme of Work 2010-13

I. Overall Objective for the Council

The Council provides the Conference with precise, balanced and timely guidance on strategies, priorities, programmes and budget for the Organization, as well as constitutional, organizational, administrative and financial matters. The Council also provides clear assessments on the world food and agriculture situation and exercises its oversight and monitoring functions in accordance with the Basic Texts of the Organization, including Conference Resolution 8/2009. It operates efficiently and effectively in a results-based manner, holding its sessions in keeping with the rolling workplan outlined in the Appendix, and with the *Note on Methods of Work of the Council*.

II. Results

A. Strategy and priority setting, and budget planning

Result: Conference decisions on strategies, priorities, programmes and budget for the Organization, as well as on the status of world food and agriculture, are based on Council guidance.

Indicators and targets:

- Conference report reflects the recommendations made by Council on the Strategic Framework, Medium Term Plan (MTP) and Programme of Work and Budget (PWB).
- In examining and adopting the budget of the Organization, the Conference has at its disposal an explicit recommendation by Council regarding the level of the budget.
- Council guidance on world food and agriculture issues receives Conference approval.
- Conference approves the provisional agenda recommended to it by Council.

Outputs: Clear and precise decisions taken, and recommendations made to Conference.

Activities:

- Review and assessment of the recommendations made by the Finance and Programme Committees and their Joint Meetings regarding the Strategic Framework, MTP and PWB, and clear recommendations thereon to Conference.
- Review and assessment of the recommendations made by the Technical Committees on technical priorities and budget matters.
- Review and assessment of the recommendations made by the Regional Conferences on regional priorities and budget matters.
- Assessment of major issues pertaining to the world food and agriculture situation as necessary.
- Decisions on any adjustments to the PWB.
- Recommendations to Conference on the Programme and Budget Resolution, including the content and level of the budget.
- Recommendation of the main theme of the general debate at the Conference session.
- Recommendation of the provisional agenda of the Conference session.

Working methods:

- Informal coordination meetings of the Chairpersons and Secretariats of the Finance and Programme Committees, Regional Conferences and Technical Committees, facilitated by the Independent Chairperson of Council.
- Informal consultation meetings of the Chairpersons of the Regional Groups and senior members of the Secretariat, facilitated by the Independent Chairperson of Council.
- Regular contacts between the Independent Chairperson of Council and FAO Management.

B. Monitoring implementation of governance decisions

Result: Implementation of decisions on governance matters is regularly monitored by Council.

Indicators and targets:

- Timely implementation of governance decisions taken by Conference and Council is monitored by the Council, and this is reflected in the Conference report.
- The recommendations on measures designed to increase the efficiency of Governing Bodies are reviewed and assessed by Council before submission to Conference.

Outputs: Clear and precise decisions and resolutions taken, and recommendations made to Conference.

Activities:

- Review and assessment of governance decisions of Council.
- Review and assessment of the recommendations made by the Open-ended Working Group on measures designed to increase the efficiency of Governing Bodies, including representation.
- Review of the Multi-Year Programmes of Work (MYPOW) of the Governing Bodies, and assessment of related progress reports.
- Recommendations and decisions on the convening of Ministerial Meetings as necessary.
- Review and assessment of issues regarding treaties, conventions and agreements that are within the framework of FAO.
- Review of developments in other fora of importance for the mandate of FAO.

Working methods:

- Informal coordination meetings of the Chairpersons and Secretariats of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (CCLM), Finance and Programme Committees, Regional Conferences and Technical Committees, facilitated by the Independent Chairperson of Council.
- Informal consultation meetings of the Chairpersons of the Regional Groups and senior members of the Secretariat, facilitated by the Independent Chairperson of Council.
- Regular contacts between the Independent Chairperson of Council and FAO Management.
- Advice from the Statutory Bodies through the Technical Committees.

C. Exercise of oversight functions

Result: Well functioning legal, ethics, financial and administrative frameworks, policies and systems are in place and regularly monitored by Council.

Indicators and targets:

- The Organization operates within its legal, financial and administrative framework.
- Transparent, independent and professional evaluation of the Organization's performance, as well as audit and ethics oversight.
- The elections mandated by the Basic Texts are held within the set deadlines.
- Policies are implemented and systems function in accordance with existing rules and standards.
- The proposed calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other main sessions conforms the schedule of sessions for the implementation of the Programming, Budgeting and Results-based Monitoring System.

Outputs: Clear and precise decisions taken, and recommendations made to Conference.

Activities:

- Review and assessment of the Finance Committee recommendations and decisions regarding budgetary performance and programme, budgetary transfers and the Organization's financial situation, including resource mobilization and voluntary contributions.
- Review and assessment of the Finance Committee recommendations regarding ethics and audit, both internal and external.
- Review and assessment of the Finance Committee recommendations regarding policies and systems, both in Headquarters and Decentralized Offices, for human resources, administrative and business processes, contracting and purchasing, and information and communication technology.
- Review and assessment of the Programme and Finance Committee recommendations on independent evaluations.
- Review and assessment of the CCLM recommendations on constitutional and legal matters.

Working methods:

- Advice from the Finance and Programme Committees and their Joint Meetings, and from the CCLM.
- In-depth review of one substantive issue to be chosen by the Council once every two years.
- Regular contacts between the Independent Chairperson of Council and FAO Management.

D. Monitoring of IPA implementation and further steps in the Reform process

Results: Overall progress in implementation of the Immediate Plan of Action is regularly monitored by Council.

Indicators and targets:

- Management reports on progress in IPA implementation timely submitted to all Council sessions.
- The recommendations made by Council on IPA implementation are reflected in the 2011 CoC-IEE Report on the IPA to the Conference, and endorsed by Conference in 2011. After 2011, recommendations related to the IPA are made to Conference.

Outputs: Clear and precise recommendations and decisions in a specific report to Conference.

Activities:

- Review and assessment of Management reports on progress in IPA implementation.

- Review and assessment of IPA-related recommendations made by the Finance and Programme Committees and their Joint Meetings, CCLM, Regional Conferences and Technical Committees.

Working methods:

- Use of the documentation produced for CoC-IEE meetings.
- Informal seminars and consultations among Members.

E. Monitoring of Management performance

Result: Management performance targets are regularly reviewed and monitored by Council.

Indicators and targets:

- Performance of Management is in line with established performance targets.
- Adjustments are made to performance targets as necessary.

Outputs: Clear and precise decisions taken, and recommendations made to Conference.

Activities:

Monitoring of the performance of Management against established performance targets in the framework of the results-based budgeting and management system, based on the MTP/PWB and on the reports of the Finance and Programme Committees and their Joint Meetings.

- Review of the contribution of extra-budgetary resources to the Organizational Results framework.
- On a periodic basis, organize the transparent, professional and independent evaluation of the Organization's performance in contributing to its planned outcomes and impacts.
- Review of the Programme and Finance Committees recommendations for adjustment of PWB implementation.

Working methods:

- Regular contacts between the Independent Chairperson of Council and FAO Management.
- Informal seminars and consultations among Members.

F. Work planning and working methods

Results: Council operates efficiently, in a proactive and inclusive way, according to established work plans and improved working methods.

Indicators and targets:

- Council agendas are focused.
- Council reports are concise, consisting mainly of conclusions, decisions and recommendations, and are made available to Members soon after the closure of the session.
- Council documents have a standardized cover page, with a box suggesting the proposed action.
- Council documents are provided 4 weeks before a session commences.

Outputs:

- A MYPOW for Council.
- A revised Note on Methods of Work of the Council.

Activities:

- Preparation of the Council MYPOW, with performance indicators.
- Preparation of a progress report to Conference on the Council MYPOW.
- Regular review of the methods of work of Council, including performance measures.
- Review of the status of implementation of Council decisions.
- Study and comparison of the governance of other international organizations in view of introducing potential improvements in the operating procedures of Council and the implementation of its MYPOW.

Working methods:

- Structured and focused deliberations during Council sessions.
- Efficient drafting arrangements for Council reports.
- Regular inter-sessional activities, determined according to their interest, and level of priority.
- As appropriate, strengthen human and financial resources mobilized by the Secretariat for the implementation of, and follow up to, the MYPOW.
- Informal meetings of the Chairpersons of the Regional Groups and senior members of the Secretariat, facilitated by the Independent Chairperson of Council.
- Regular contacts between the Independent Chairperson of Council and FAO Management.

Appendix

Sessions and Work plan of Council

1. The Council shall hold at least five sessions in a biennium as follows:
 - a) two sessions in the first year of the biennium;
 - b) one session not less than 60 days before the regular session of the Conference, at which the Council shall in particular make recommendations to Conference on the Strategic Framework (every four years), MTP and PWP;
 - c) one session immediately after the regular session of the Conference, at which the Council shall in particular elect the Chairpersons and Members of the Programme Committee, Finance Committee and CCLM; and
 - d) one session towards the end of the second year of the biennium.
2. In 2010-13, the indicative rolling work plan of Council shall be as outlined in the following tables, and shall be adjusted as and when required by the Council.
3. At its sessions, the Council shall review a document on the status of implementation of decisions taken at its previous session.
4. At the end of each session, the Council shall review its provisional agenda for the following session.
5. Substantive issues which shall be regularly addressed at Council sessions include the following items:
 - Audit, ethics and other oversight issues;
 - Human resources;
 - Resource mobilization, including voluntary contributions;
 - Decentralization issues;
 - Contracting and purchasing issues;
 - Information and communication technology issues;
 - Independent evaluations;
 - United Nations system-wide developments regarding oversight issues impacting on FAO.

140th Session of the Council, 29 November - 3 December 2010

Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters

1. Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (October 2010)
2. Report of the Programme Committee (October 2010)
3. Priorities for the technical work of the Organization in the 2012-13 biennium
4. Reports of the Finance Committee (June and October 2010)
5. Programme Implementation Report 2008-2009

Regional Conferences

6. Report of the Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean (April 2010)
7. Report of the Regional Conference for Africa (May 2010)
8. Report of the Regional Conference for Europe (May 2010)
9. Report of the Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific (September - October 2010)

Technical Committees and Committee on World Food Security

10. Report of the Committee on Commodity Problems (June 2010)
11. Report of the of the Committee on Agriculture (June 2010)
12. Report of the Committee on Forestry (October 2010)
13. Report of the Committee on World Food Security (October 2010)

Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters

14. Report of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (September 2010)

Governance Matters

15. Immediate Plan of Action Implementation Progress Report
16. Multi-year Programme of Work of the Council
17. Report of the Open-ended Working Group on measures designed to increase the efficiency of Governing Bodies, including representation
18. Note on the Methods of Work of the Council
19. Arrangements for the 37th Session of the FAO Conference (including provisional agenda and Council recommendation on a major theme for the general debate at Conference)
20. Status of implementation of Council decisions

Other Matters

21. Election of Six Members of the WFP Executive Board
22. Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO
23. Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2010-2011
24. Provisional agenda for the following session of Council
25. Working methods of Council

141st Session of the Council, 11-15 April 2011
<p><i>Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review of Medium Term Plan and Programme of Work and Budget (2012-2013) – Recommendation to Conference on budget level 2. Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (March 2011) 3. Reports of the Programme Committee (February and March 2011) 4. Report(s) of the Finance Committee (March 2011)
<p><i>Regional Conferences</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Report of the Regional Conference for the Near East (December 2010)
<p><i>Technical Committees</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Report of the Committee on Fisheries (January-February 2011)
<p><i>Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Report of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (March 2011)
<p><i>Governance Matters</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. Address by Candidates for the Post of Director-General 9. Immediate Plan of Action Implementation Progress Report 10. Report of the Open-ended Working Group on measures designed to increase the efficiency of Governing Bodies, including representation 11. Arrangements for the 37th Session of the Conference (including tentative timetable) – Recommendations to Conference 12. Vision for the Structure and Functioning of Decentralized Offices 13. Status of implementation of Council decisions
<p><i>Other Matters</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 14. Annual Report of the WFP Executive Board on its Activities in 2010 15. Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2011-2012 16. Provisional agenda for the following session of Council, and substantive issue to be addressed at the 144th Session of Council 17. Working methods of Council

142nd Session of the Council, 4-5 July 2011
<p><i>Election of Committees</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Election of the Chairperson and Twelve Members of the Programme Committee 2. Election of the Chairperson and Twelve Members of the Finance Committee 3. Election of the Chairperson and Seven Members of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters
<p><i>Other Matters</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Matters Arising out of the Conference Session 5. Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO 6. Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2011-2012 7. Provisional agenda for the following session of Council 8. Working methods of Council

143rd Session of the Council, 21-25 November 2011

Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters

1. Approval of Adjustments to the Programme of Work 2012-13
2. Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (October 2011)
3. Report of the Programme Committee (October 2011)
4. Report of the Finance Committee (October 2011)

Committee on World Food Security

5. Report of the Committee on World Food Security (October 2011)

Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters

6. Report of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (September 2011)

Governance Matters

7. Immediate Plan of Action Implementation Progress Report
8. Progress Reports on Multi-year Programmes of Work of the
 - Finance Committee
 - Programme Committee
 - CCLM
9. Status of implementation of Council decisions

Other Matters

10. Election of Six Members of the WFP Executive Board
11. Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO
12. Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2012-2013
13. Provisional agenda for the following session of Council
14. Working methods of Council

144th Session of the Council, June 2012

Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters

1. Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (April 2012)
2. Report of the Programme Committee (April 2012)
3. Report of the Finance Committee (April 2012)

Regional Conferences

4. Report of the Regional Conference for Africa (January 2012)
5. Report of the Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific (February 2012)
6. Report of the Regional Conference for the Near East (March 2012)
7. Report of the Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean (March 2012)
8. Report of the Regional Conference for Europe (April 2012)

Technical Committees

9. Report of the Committee on Commodity Problems (May 2012)
10. Report of the of the Committee on Agriculture (May 2012)

<i>Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters</i>
11. Report of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (March 2012)
<i>Governance Matters</i>
12. Immediate Plan of Action Implementation Progress Report
13. Status of implementation of Council decisions
<i>Other Matters</i>
14. Annual Report of the WFP Executive Board on its Activities in 2011
15. Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO
16. Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2012-2013
17. Provisional agenda for the following session of Council
18. Working methods of Council

145th Session of the Council, November 2012
<i>Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters</i>
1. Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (October 2012)
2. Report of the Programme Committee (October 2012)
3. Report of the Finance Committee (October 2012)
4. Programme Implementation Report 2010-2011
<i>Technical Committees and Committee on World Food Security</i>
5. Report of the Committee on Fisheries (July 2012)
6. Report of the Committee on Forestry (October 2012)
7. Report of the Committee on World Food Security (October 2012)
<i>Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters</i>
8. Report of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (September 2012)
<i>Governance Matters</i>
9. Immediate Plan of Action Implementation Progress Report
10. Arrangements for the 38 th Session of the Conference (including provisional agenda and Council recommendation on major a theme for the general debate at Conference)
11. Status of implementation of Council decisions
<i>Other Matters</i>
12. Election of Six Members of the WFP Executive Board
13. Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO
14. Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2012-2013
15. Provisional agenda for the following session of Council
16. Working methods of Council

146th Session of the Council, April 2013
<p><i>Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review of Medium Term Plan and Programme of Work and Budget (2014-2015) – Recommendation to Conference on budget level 2. Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (February 2013) 3. Report of the Programme Committee (February 2013) 4. Report of the Finance Committee (February 2013)
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148th Session of the Council, November 2013
<p><i>Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approval of Adjustments to the Programme of Work 2014-15 2. Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (October 2013) 3. Report of the Programme Committee (October 2013) 4. Report of the Finance Committee (October 2013)
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<p><i>Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Report of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (September 2013)

Governance Matters

7. Immediate Plan of Action Implementation Progress Report
8. Multi-year Programmes of Work of the
 - Finance Committee
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 - Regional Conferences
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Other Matters

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APPENDIX I

Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2010-2012

	2010		
JANUARY			
FEBRUARY	131 FC WFP IFAD/GC	1-2 8-12 15-19	
MARCH			
APRIL	132 FC 103 PC IFAD/EB 31 LARC 90 CCLM	12-16 12-16 19-23 26-30 28-29	
MAY	26 ARC 27 ERC 139 CL 133 FC	3-7 10-14 17-21 31/05-1/06	
JUNE	WFP 68 CCP 22 COAG	7-11 14-16 16-19	
JULY	33 CODEX	5-9 (Geneva)	
AUGUST			
SEPTEMBER	IFAD/EB* UNGA 91 CCLM 30 APRC	15-17 14 20-22 27/09-01/10	
OCTOBER	20 COFO 36 CFS* WFD 134 FC* 135 FC 104 PC	4-8 11-14 and 16 15 (Friday) 21-22 25-29 25-29	
NOVEMBER	WFP 140 CL	8-12 29/11-03/12	
DECEMBER	30 NERC IFAD/EB	4-8 13-17	

Easter 4 April 2010
 Ramadan: 11 August - 9 Sept. 2010
 Eid Al-Fitr: 9 September 2010
 Eid Al-Adha: 16 November 2010

APRC	Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific	FC	Finance Committee
ARC	Regional Conference for Africa	IFAD/EB	IFAD Executive Board
C	Conference	IFAD/GC	IFAD Governing Council
CCLM	Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters	IFAD/IX	Replenishment Consultations
CCP	Committee on Commodity Problems	LARC	Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean
CFS	Committee on World Food Security	MM	Ministerial Meeting
CL	Council	NERC	Regional Conference for the Near East
COAG	Committee on Agriculture	PC	Programme Committee
CODEX	Codex Alimentarius Commission	UNGA	United Nations General Assembly (Opening)
COFI	Committee on Fisheries (MM=Ministerial Meeting)	WFD	World Food Day
COFO	Committee on Forestry (MM=Ministerial Meeting)	WFP	World Food Programme Executive Board
ERC	Regional Conference for Europe		

* Change compared to last calendar submitted to Council

		2011		2012
JANUARY	29 COFI	31/01-04/02	27 ARC	30/01-3/02
FEBRUARY	105 PC* 136 FC* 137 FC* WFP IFAD/GC * IFAD/IX(1)* 66 IFAD/EC*	8-9 8-9 10-11 14-18 19-20 21 25	WFP IFAD/GC 31 NERC	13-17 20-24 26/02-01/03
MARCH	92 CCLM 136 FC 106 PC	7-9 21-25 21-25	31 APRC 94 CCLM 32 LARC	12-16 19-21 26-30
APRIL	141 CL 118 IFAD/AC* 67 IFAD/EC*	11-15 18 19-20	IFAD/EB 28 ERC	9-13 16-20
MAY	IFAD/EB*	2-6	138 FC 108 PC 69 CCP 23 COAG	7-11 7-11 21-23 23-26
JUNE	WFP IFAD/ IX(2)* 68 IFAD/EC* 119 IFAD/AC* 37 C	6-10 13-14 16 20 25/06-02/07	WFP 144 CL	4-8 11-15
JULY	142 CL 34 CODEX* 69 IFAD/ EC	4-5 4-9 (Geneva) 12-13	35 CODEX 30 COFI	2-7 (Rome) 9-13
AUGUST				
SEPTEMBER	120 IFAD/AC* IFAD/EB* UNGA 93 CCLM	8 12-16 13 21-23	95 CCLM IFAD/EB UNGA	10-12 10-14 18
OCTOBER	70 IFAD/EC* 137 FC 107 PC WFD 37 CFS IFAD/ IX(3)*	7 10-14 10-14 17 (Monday) 18-22 24-25	21 COFO WFD 38 CFS 139 FC* 109 PC*	1-5 16 (Tuesday) 15-20 29/10-02/11 29/10-02/11
NOVEMBER	WFP 121 IFAD/AC* 143 CL	14-17 18 21-25	WFP 145 CL	5-9 26-30
DECEMBER	71 IFAD/EC* IFAD/EB*	2 12-16	IFAD/EB	10-14

Easter:	24 April 2011	Easter	8 April 2012
Ramadan:	1-30 August 2011	Ramadan:	20 July – 18 Aug. 2012
Eid Al-Fitr:	30 August 2011	Eid Al-Fitr:	19 August 2012
Eid Al-Adha:	6 November 2011	Eid Al-Adha:	26 October 2012

APRC	Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific	FC	Finance Committee
ARC	Regional Conference for Africa	IFAD/AC	IFAD Audit Committee
C	Conference	IFAD/EC	IFAD Evaluation Committee
CCLM	Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters	IFAD/EB	IFAD Executive Board
CCP	Committee on Commodity Problems	IFAD/GC	IFAD Governing Council
CFS	Committee on World Food Security	IFAD/IX	IFAD IX Replenishment Session
CL	Council	LARC	Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean
COAG	Committee on Agriculture	NERC	Regional Conference for the Near East
CODEX	Codex Alimentarius Commission	PC	Programme Committee
COFI	Committee on Fisheries	UNGA	United Nations General Assembly (Opening)
COFO	Committee on Forestry	WFD	World Food Day
ERC	Regional Conference for Europe	WFP	World Food Programme Executive Board

* Change compared to Calendar submitted to the previous Council session

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² Switzerland resigned from the WFP Executive Board on 31 December 2010, and agreed that Ireland would occupy this List D seat for the remainder of the term of office to 31 December 2011.

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