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APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE ORGANIZATION

1. The Director-General wishes to inform the Council that he received a formal application for membership of the Organization from the Principality of Andorra, on 19 October 2005, in the form of a letter dated 18 October 2005 (Appendix A), signed by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. The application was communicated by Circular Letter G/CA 11/1 of 9 November 2005 to FAO Member Nations by the Director-General in pursuance of his responsibilities under Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization.
2. Pending a decision by the Conference on this application and pursuant to Rule XXV.11 of the General Rules of the Organization and paragraphs B-1, B-2 and B-5 of the "Statement of Principles relating to the Granting of Observer Status to Nations", the Council is requested to authorize the Director-General to invite the applicant country to participate, in an observer capacity, in appropriate Council meetings as well as regional and technical meetings of the Organization which may be of interest to it.

APPENDIX A

**THE MINISTER
OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
OF THE PRINCIPALITY OF ANDORRA**

Andorra la Vella, 18 October 2005

**His Excellency
Mr Jacques Diouf
Director-General**
Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
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Rome
Italy

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you herewith that the Andorran Government requests that the Principality of Andorra be admitted as a member of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, subject to parliamentary approval. In accordance with Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization, I should therefore be grateful if you could submit this application for membership to the 33rd session of the Conference of FAO which will be held in Rome in November 2005.

Once parliamentary approval and the instrument of acceptance have been issued, the Andorran Government will be a position to accept the obligations of membership of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as defined in the Constitution of FAO and will fulfil those obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

[signed]

Juli Minoves Triquell
Minister of Foreign Affairs,
Culture and Cooperation