REPORT

OF THE COUNCIL OF FAO

Hundred and Thirty-fourth Session
Rome, 26 November 2007
COUNCIL

(until 31 December 2008)

Independent Chairperson of the Council: Mohammed Saeid Noori-Naeini

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INTRODUCTION

1. The Hundred and Thirty-fourth Session of the Council was held in Rome on 26 November 2007, under the Chairpersonship of Mohammed Saeid Noori-Naeini, Independent Chairperson of the Council.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

2. The Council adopted the Agenda as given in Appendix A of this Report.

ELECTION OF THREE VICE-CHAIRPERSONS

3. The Council elected as Vice-Chairpersons for the session: Zulkifli Bin Idris (Malaysia), Eudoro Jaén Esquivel (Panama) and Christer Wretborn (Sweden).
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4. In conformity with the General Rules of the Organization, the Council elected the following to the Programme Committee for the period November 2007 to November 2009:

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5. In conformity with the General Rules of the Organization, the Council elected the following to the Finance Committee for the period November 2007 to November 2009:

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3 CL 134/LIM/1; CL 134/PV/1.
4 CL 134/LIM/2; CL 134/PV/1.
France (Jean-Jacques Soula)
Germany (Eckhard W. Hein)
Mexico (Jorge Eduardo Chaen Charpentier)
Pakistan (Aamir Ashraf Khawaja)
Panama (Eudoro Jaen Esquivel)
Uganda (Robert Sabiiti)
United States of America (Lee Brudvig)

ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL MATTERS

6. In conformity with the General Rules of the Organization, the Council elected the following seven Member Nations to the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters for the period November 2007 to November 2009:

Chile
Gabon
Indonesia
Lesotho
Netherlands
Syria
United States of America

5 CL 134/LIM/3; CL 134/PV/1.
WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME

ELECTION OF SIX MEMBERS OF THE WFP EXECUTIVE BOARD

7. In accordance with the Resolution 6/99 adopted by the Thirtieth Session of the FAO Conference on 13 November 1999, the Council was required to elect six members of the WFP Executive Board from among FAO Member Nations for the period 1 January 2008 to 31 December 2010.

8. The Council then elected the following members from the following lists to the WFP Executive Board for a term of office of three years (1 January 2008 to 31 December 2010).

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       | Germany |

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6 CL 134/LIM/4; CL 134/INF/3; CL 134/PV/1.
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9. The Council noted that there were no matters arising out of the Thirty-fourth Session of the Conference for the decision of this session of the Council.

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12. Taking note of Mr Harcharik’s retirement on 31 December 2007, the Director-General and the Council expressed their appreciation for his many years of service with FAO, and wished him every success in his future endeavours.

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7 CL 134/PV.
8 CL 134/2-Rev.1; CL 134/PV/1.
9 CL 134/2-Rev.1; CL 134/PV/1.
10 CL 134/PV/1.
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AGENDA FOR THE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL

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Président indépendant
Presidente Independiente

: Mohammad Saeid NOORI-NAEENI (Iran, Islamic Republic of)

نواب الرئيس
Vice-Chairpersons
Vice-présidents
Vicepresidentes

: Dato’Dr Zulkifli Bin IDRIS (Malaysia)
: Eudoro Jaén ESQUIVEL (Panama)
: Christer WRETBORNE (Sweden)
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MEMBRES DU CONSEIL
MIEMBROS DEL CONSEJO

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Representative
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Counsellor (Agriculture)
Alternate Permanent Representative to FAO
Rome

Alternate(s)
Ms Fiona BARTLETT
Counsellor (Agriculture) Designate
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
Canberra

BANGLADESH

Representative
Ms Nasrin AKHTER
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Rome

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Représentant permanent adjoint auprès de la FAO
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Maria Isabel CADIMA PAZ
Consejera
Representante Permanente Alterno ante la FAO
Roma

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Eid Al-Fitr: 21 Sept 09  
Eid Al-Adha: 28 Nov 09

APRC: Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific  
ARC: Regional Conference for Africa  
C: Conference  
CCCLM: Committee for Constitutional and Legal Matters  
CCP: Committee on Commodity Problems  
CFS: Committee on World Food Security  
CL: Council  
COAG: Committee on Agriculture  
COFI: Committee on Fisheries  
COFO: Committee on Forestry  
ECOSOC: Economic and Social Council (1: Organizational session opens; 2: Substantive session opens)  
ERC: Regional Conference for Europe  
FC: Finance Committee  
IFAD/EB: IFAD Executive Board  
IFAD/GC: IFAD Governing Council  
LARC: Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean  
NERC: Regional Conference for the Near East  
PC: Programme Committee  
UNGA: United Nations General Assembly (Opening)  
WFD: World Food Day  
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WFC: World Forestry Congress  
CODEX: Codex Alimentarius Commission
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