Council

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Rome, 5-9 December 2016

Membership of the WFP Executive Board

Suggested Action by the Council

In accordance with FAO Conference Resolution 7/2011, the Council is required to elect six FAO Member Nations to the WFP Executive Board for a term of office of three years (1 January 2017 - 31 December 2019) to fill the following seats:

- 2 seats from List A
- 1 seat from List B
- 1 seat from List C
- 2 seats from List D

The attached nomination form should be completed by Member Nations wishing to stand for the above seats and submitted to the Secretary-General of the Conference and Council (Room A-139) by **12.00 hours on Monday, 28 November 2016.**

Queries on the substantive content of this document may be addressed to:

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1. For purposes of election to the Board, FAO Member Nations are divided into five separate lists (A, B, C, D and E) as shown on the FAO Council Web page under "Additional Information": http://www.fao.org/about/meetings/council/cl155/documents/en/

2. The Council is required to elect six members for a term of office expiring on 31 December 2019 to replace the ones whose term ends on 31 December 2016, i.e. Canada (D), Colombia (C), Equatorial Guinea (A), Germany (D), Saudi Arabia (B) and South Africa (A).

3. Outgoing members are eligible for re-election.

4. A nomination form is given in Appendix A.

5. Letters from the Coordinators of Lists A, C and D countries regarding agreements reached within the Lists are attached as Appendices B, C, D, E and F.

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¹ Brazil stepped down on 31 December 2015 and Guatemala was elected to fill this seat from 1 January 2016.
Guatemala agreed to step down on 31 December 2016 (see Appendix B).

² This seat rotates between lists A, B and C as follows: List B (2015-2017) held by Iran (Islamic Republic of), List A (2018-2020) and List C (2021-2023).

³ The Republic of Korea resigned effective 31 December 2015 and the ECOSOC elected China to fill the seat from 1 January 2016.

⁴ Guatemala stepped down from this seat on 31 December 2015 and Panama was endorsed to complete the remainder of the term from 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2017.

⁵ See Appendix C.

⁶ See Appendix E.

⁷ See Appendix F.
Appendix A
Nomination Form for the WFP Executive Board

To be submitted by 12.00 hours on Monday, 28 November 2016

To: The Secretary-General of the Conference and Council  Date: ......................
Room A-139E

The Delegate of .................................. (FAO Member Nation)

(Signature) .......................................  

Wishes to nominate .......................................................... for List 1/ 
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for election to a seat on the WFP Executive Board for the term of office 
1 January 2017 - 31 December 2019.

The Delegate of ..............................(FAO Member Nation)

(Signature) .......................................  

accepts this nomination

1/ Insert A, B, C or D as appropriate. Seats to be filled for 2017-19 are: 
2 from List A, 1 from List B, 1 from List C, and 2 from List D.
Note Verbale

The Permanent Representation of the Republic of Nicaragua to the United Nations in Rome, in its capacity as President ad interim of the Latin American and Caribbean Group (GRULAC), presents its compliments to the Conference, Council and Protocol Affairs Division and has the honour to inform that, based on agreements reached with the Permanent Representations of Brazil and Guatemala (on 2 December 2014), GRULAC has agreed to present the candidature of the Esteemed Permanent Representation of the Republic of Guatemala for a seat on the Executive Board of the WFP corresponding to List C for the year 2016, on the understanding that during this year it will hold the Presidency of the Executive Board of the WFP.

The Permanent Representation also informs that the Permanent Representation of Brazil will hold the above-mentioned seat for the WFP Executive Board period corresponding to the years 2015 and 2017.

The Permanent Representation kindly requests that note is taken of the terms of these agreements and that the corresponding bodies are duly notified.

The Permanent Representation of the Republic of Nicaragua to the United Nations in Rome avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Conference, Council and Protocol Affairs Division of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations the assurance of its highest consideration.

Permanent Representation of the Republic of Nicaragua to FAO-IFAD-WFP
President ad interim GRULAC-ROME

Mr Stephen Dowd
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Appendix C

Kenya Pemanent Representation to
the United Nations Food and Agriculture
Organization in Rome

Josephine Wangari Gaita 16th November 2015
Ambassador/Permanent Representative

The Secretary-General of the Conference and Council

FAO COUNCIL 153RD SESSION: ELECTION OF SIX MEMBERS TO
THE WFP EXECUTIVE BOARD

I am writing in my capacity as Chair of the Candidature Committee for the
Africa Group (List A) to advise about the agreement reached within the list
regarding the rotation of seats for the period 1 January 2016 - 31st December
2018.

The agreement is as follows:-

1. Islamic Republic of Mauritania will occupy the seat on the WFP Executive
Board for the period 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2016 (1 year). After
which it will stand down.

2. Republic of Benin will occupy the seat on the WFP Executive Board for the
period 1 January 2017 to 31 December 2018.

I would be grateful if you could communicate this information to the upcoming
Council.

Yours sincerely

Josephine Wangari Gaita
Ambassador/Permanent Representative
Chair of Candidature Committee/ LIST A
Appendix D

Prot. 15/302

Note Verbale

The Permanent Representation of the Republic of Nicaragua to the United Nations in Rome, in its capacity as President ad interim of the Latin American and Caribbean Group (GRULAC), presents its compliments to the Conference, Council and Protocol Affairs Division and has the honour to inform that, based on agreements reached with the Permanent Representations of Mexico, Argentina and Peru, GRULAC has agreed to present the candidature of the Esteemed Permanent Representation of the United Mexican States for a seat on the Executive Board of the WFP corresponding to List C for the year 2016.

The Permanent Representation also informs that the Permanent Representation of Argentina will hold the above-mentioned seat for the WFP Executive Board period corresponding to the year 2017, and the Permanent Representation of Peru will hold the above-mentioned seat in 2018.

The Permanent Representation kindly requests that note is taken of the terms of these agreements and that the corresponding bodies are duly notified.

The Permanent Representation of the Republic of Nicaragua to the United Nations in Rome, in its capacity as President ad interim of the Latin American and Caribbean Group (GRULAC), avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Conference, Council and Protocol Affairs Division of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations the assurance of its highest consideration.

Permanent Representation of the Republic of Nicaragua to FAO-IFAD-WFP
President ad interim GRULAC-ROME

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Note Verbale

The Permanent Representation of Mexico to the United Nations Agencies in Rome, in its capacity as Chair ad interim of the Latin American and Caribbean Group (GRULAC), presents its compliments to the Conference, Council and Protocol Affairs Division of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and has the honour to refer to Note Verbale Prot.15/302 regarding a seat on the Executive Board of the WFP corresponding to List C for the period 2016-2018, submitted by the Chair ad interim of the GRULAC prior to the 153rd Session of the FAO Council (30 November-4 December 2015) and contained in Appendix D of document CL 155/9.

In this regard, the Permanent Representation informs that based on agreement reached within the GRULAC, the Permanent Representation of Peru will fill the above-mentioned seat on the Executive Board of the WFP for the years 2017 and 2018.

The Permanent Representation of Mexico to the United Nations Agencies in Rome, in its capacity as Chair ad interim of the GRULAC, avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Conference, Council and Protocol Affairs Division of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations the assurance of its highest consideration.

24 November 2016

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
Rome

For the attention of: Mr Stephen Dowd
Appendix F

Note Verbale

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The Embassy of the Kingdom of Denmark in its capacity as convenor of WFP list D presents its compliments to the Conference, Council and Protocol Affairs Division as well as the Secretariat to the Council and has the honour, based on agreements reached within list D, to present the candidature of the Esteemed Permanent Representations of Germany and Canada for the two vacant seats on the Executive Board of the WFP corresponding to List D for the years 2017-2019.

We also confirm to the Council that Sweden as per earlier agreement will step down from the WFP Executive Board handing over its seat to Switzerland. Switzerland will occupy the seat from 2017 – 2018.

We kindly inform you that the up-coming allocation of a “floating seat” for list D is still pending the on-going review (2016-2017) internally in list D.

With this note verbale we recall and nullify our Note Verbale of 23 November.

The Embassy of the Kingdom of Denmark avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Conference, Council and Protocol Affairs Division of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations the assurance of its highest consideration.