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Suggested action by the Council

The Council may wish to note the conclusions of the Programme Committee.

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**REPORT OF THE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD (SPECIAL) SESSION OF
THE PROGRAMME COMMITTEE**

Rome, 21 November 2017

Introduction

1. The Committee submitted to the Council the following report of its Hundred and Twenty-third (Special) session.
2. In addition to the Chairperson, His Excellency Johannes Petrus Hoogeveen (Netherlands), the following representatives of Members were present:

H.E. Maria Cristina Boldorini (Argentina)

Mr Muhammad Rudy Khairudin Mohd Nor (Malaysia)

Ms Jennifer Fellows (Canada)

Ms Claudia Elizabeth Guevara de la Jara (Peru)

Mr Marc Mankoussou (Congo)

H.E. François Pythoud (Switzerland)

Mr Toru Hisazome (Japan)

H.E. Marie-Therese Sarch (United Kingdom)

Mr Fiesal Rasheed Salamh Al Argan (Jordan)

Renewal of the Term of Office of the Director, Office of Evaluation (OED)¹

1. In accordance with paragraph 43 of the Charter for the FAO Office of Evaluation, the Programme Committee:
 - a) welcomed the document received by the Secretariat and welcomed the apologies for the late arrival of the proposal at its previous session;
 - b) supported the proposed reappointment of Mr Masahiro Igarashi as Director of Evaluation for a further and final term of four years based on the quantity and quality of the evaluation reports sent to the Committee, his long-time experience in evaluation in the UN system and his performance in this current term of office;
 - c) stressed the importance of the dual reporting line to the Director-General and to the governing bodies, as well as the independence of the position of the Director of Evaluation; and
 - d) looked forward to reviewing a follow-up report on progress on implementing the recommendations of the Independent Evaluation of the Evaluation Function at a future session, if possible at the next session.

¹ PC 123/2