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# CONFERENCE

## Thirty-seventh Session

Rome, 25 June - 2 July 2011

### Arrangements for the 37<sup>th</sup> Session of the FAO Conference (Recommendations to the Conference)

*Extract from the Report of the 140<sup>th</sup> Council Session (29 November-3 December 2010)*

#### 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:
- two Commissions be established to examine, respectively: (i) Substantive and Policy Matters in Food and Agriculture; and (ii) Programme and Budgetary Matters;
  - 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 141<sup>st</sup> 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 37<sup>th</sup> Session be "The Vital Role of Women in Agriculture and Rural Development".