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Hundred and Fifty-first Session  
Rome, 23-27 March 2015

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## Introductory Items<sup>1</sup>

1. The 151<sup>st</sup> Session of the Council was held in Rome from 23 to 27 March 2015 under the Chairpersonship of Mr Wilfred Ngirwa, Independent Chairperson of Council.

## Procedure of the Session

### Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable<sup>2</sup>

2. The Council noted the Declaration of Competence and Voting Rights presented by the European Union and, after a statement by the Director-General, Mr José Graziano da Silva, adopted the Agenda and Timetable for the Session as amended. The Agenda is given in *Appendix A* to this Report.

### Election of three Vice-Chairpersons, and Designation of the Chairperson and Members of the Drafting Committee<sup>3</sup>

3. The Council elected three Vice-Chairpersons for its Session: Mr Amr Mostafa Kamal Helmy (Egypt), Mr Neil Briscoe (United Kingdom) and Mr Godfrey Magwenzi (Zimbabwe).

4. The Council elected Mr Vimlendra Sharan (India) as Chairperson of the Drafting Committee with the following membership: Afghanistan, Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Brazil, China, Egypt, Gabon, Germany, Iceland, India, Japan, Pakistan, Russian Federation and the United States of America.

## Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters

### Medium Term Plan 2014-17 (reviewed) and Programme of Work and Budget 2016-17<sup>4</sup>

5. The Council considered the Medium-Term Plan 2014-17 (reviewed) and the Programme of Work and Budget 2016-17 (MTP/PWB) and endorsed the recommendations of the Programme and Finance Committees and of their Joint Meeting.

6. Regarding the proposals to improve FAO's financial health, liquidity and reserves, the Council:

- a) encouraged the further active participation of the Secretariat in the UN Common System's search for an optimum and practicable solution to the complex matter of the After Service Medical Cost (ASMC) liability;
- b) requested the Secretariat to continue in its efforts to contain the costs of medical insurance, including through changing FAO's cost-sharing arrangements of health insurance premiums between the Organization and plan participants; and
- c) for the 2016-17 biennium, recommended that the Conference continue to follow the previously approved approach of partial funding of USD 14.1 million towards the ASMC past service liability.

7. Regarding the substance of the proposals in the MTP/PWB, and having considered the additional information provided by the Secretariat, the Council:

- a) underlined the importance of continuity in the strategic direction of the Organization in the Medium Term Plan;
- b) supported the proposed Programme of Work and noted that further clarifications would be provided by the Secretariat for consideration by Members, including further information on how gender as a cross-cutting issue was reflected throughout the Programme of Work and Budget;

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<sup>1</sup> CL 151/PV/1; CL 151/PV/7

<sup>2</sup> CL 151/1; CL 151/INF/1 Rev.1; CL 151/INF/3; CL 151/PV/1; CL 151/PV/7

<sup>3</sup> CL 151/PV/1; CL 151/PV/7

<sup>4</sup> C 2015/3; C 2015/3 Information Note 1; C 2015/3 Information Note 2; C 2015/3 Information Note 3; C 2015/3 Information Note 4; C 2015/3 Information Note 5; CL 151/3 paras. 19-21; CL 151/4 para. 5; CL 151/5 paras.4-6; CL 151/PV/2; CL 151/PV/6; CL 151/PV/7

- c) appreciated the identification of proposed areas of emphasis, de-emphasis and savings and welcomed the proposed reallocation of USD 14.2 million to higher priority areas;
  - d) welcomed the proposal to source an additional USD 6.1 million in 2016-17 through extra-budgetary resources to be used exclusively to strengthen the TCP programme in support to Small Island Developing States, particularly to adapt to the effects of climate change;
  - e) supported the organizational restructuring proposals and emphasized the importance of consolidation of decentralization efforts in order to reinforce the holistic work of the Organization;
  - f) appreciated the proposal for a more proactive and tailored approach in respect of middle-income countries;
  - g) encouraged the continued use of partnerships to enable the Organization to leverage its comparative advantages; and
  - h) encouraged the continued review of capacity and location of human resources and skills mix for optimal delivery of the programme of work.
8. Regarding the budget level for 2016-17, the Council:
- a) welcomed the update of the cost increase estimates and the identification of areas for further savings and efficiency gains provided by the Secretariat;
  - b) agreed the funding of the proposed USD 6.1 million increase of the Technical Cooperation Programme (TCP) by, on an exceptional basis, extra-budgetary resources in 2016-17;
  - c) agreed that the TCP appropriation in the PWB 2018-19 would be in line with Conference Resolution 9/89 in order to make every effort to restore the resources available to TCP to the former level of 14 percent of the total Regular Programme budget;
  - d) appreciating that the transformational changes undertaken at FAO since 2012 had resulted in a more efficient and effective Organization, agreed on the importance of full flexibility for the Director-General in identification of unidentified further efficiency gains and savings;
  - e) recommended that Conference approve the draft Conference Resolution set out in *Appendix C* to this Report; and
  - f) noted that the budget level contained therein would allow full delivery of the Programme of Work.

**Report of the Joint Meeting of the 117<sup>th</sup> Session of the Programme Committee and the 157<sup>th</sup> Session of the Finance Committee (11 March 2015)<sup>5</sup>**

9. The Council endorsed the report of the Joint Meeting, welcomed improvements in language balance and underlined the importance of continuing efforts, particularly for those languages for which progress lagged behind.

**Report of the 117<sup>th</sup> Session of the Programme Committee (9-13 March 2015)<sup>6</sup>**

10. The Council endorsed the report of the 117<sup>th</sup> Session of the Programme Committee, and:
- a) welcomed the good progress and results achieved in implementation of the Programme of Work during the 2014-15 biennium as outlined in the Mid-term Review Synthesis Report – 2014 (PC 117/5-FC 157/7), and stressed the importance of effective monitoring of results, and of continued efforts for delivery of the Regional Initiatives;
  - b) endorsed the recommendations for the finalization of the terms of reference for the independent evaluation of the evaluation function, including due care and attention to the role of the Office of Evaluation, and looked forward to receiving its final report, along with the views of Management and the Programme Committee;
  - c) welcomed the progress presented in the follow-up report to the Evaluation of FAO's role in investment for food security and nutrition, agriculture and rural development, noting the

<sup>5</sup> CL 151/5; CL 151/PV/1; CL 151/PV/7

<sup>6</sup> CL 151/4; CL 151/PV/1; CL 151/PV/7



importance of further strengthening partnerships with financing institutions and other UN agencies; and

- d) welcomed the progress presented in the follow-up report to the Evaluation of FAO's Regional and Subregional Offices for Europe and Central Asia, welcoming the establishment of "One-FAO" and the Gender Network.

### **Report of the 157<sup>th</sup> Session of the Finance Committee (9-13 March 2015)<sup>7</sup>**

11. The Council approved the Report of the 157<sup>th</sup> Session of the Finance Committee, and in particular:
- a) urged all Member Nations to make timely and full payment of assessed contributions to ensure that FAO continued to meet the operating cash requirements for the Programme of Work;
  - b) recommended that the Draft Resolution on the FAO Scale of Contributions for 2016-17, presented in paragraph 12 of document CL 151/3, as set out in *Appendix D* to this Report, be submitted to the 39<sup>th</sup> Session of the Conference in June 2015 for adoption;
  - c) noted with satisfaction the progress made in implementing the approved Programme of Work and Budget 2014-15, as presented in the Mid-Term Review Synthesis Report – 2014 (PC 117/5-FC 157/7);
  - d) noted that the Finance Committee had authorized forecasted budgetary Chapter transfers arising from implementation of the Programme of Work 2014-15 in favour of Chapters 2, 5, 8, and 10 from budgetary Chapters 1, 3, 4, 6, 9, 11 and 12;
  - e) endorsed the new FAO Cost Recovery Policy as presented in Annex 1 of document FC 157/10, including the introduction of an Indirect Support Cost Rate of 7 percent, and looked forward to the Finance Committee's monitoring of implementation of the Policy;
  - f) noted the significant progress made in the field of Human Resources Management in the Organization;
  - g) noted the ongoing recruitment efforts to adjust the Organization's vacancy rates to a level required to enable requisite flexibility, encouraged the Secretariat to fill key positions to ensure the Organization's core competencies and delivery of the Programme of Work, and noted the Finance Committee would receive further information in this regard;
  - h) noted the Finance Committee would consider a full financial report on ICN2; and
  - i) recalling previous guidance provided by the Governing Bodies on the provision of appropriate financial and administration autonomy to Article XIV Bodies, the Council noted the implementation to date and looked forward to Management's report on the matter from time to time.

### **Synthesis of Evaluations of FAO Regional and Subregional Offices<sup>8</sup>**

12. The Council welcomed the document on the Synthesis of Evaluations of FAO Regional and Subregional offices, as well as the views of Management on the recommendations contained therein. It noted that the full Synthesis Report was available from the Office of Evaluation.

13. The Council endorsed the document, and the three recommendations contained therein, and requested that it be submitted to the Conference.

14. The Council recommended to the 39<sup>th</sup> Session of the Conference that, in respect of Recommendation 1, an independent review be undertaken and its findings be submitted, along with views of Management, to the 153<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Council (November-December 2015), through the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees.

15. The Council supported the request of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees for a further short document outlining "common critical issues" of the five Evaluations undertaken between 2009 and 2013 to be prepared for consideration by the Programme Committee.

<sup>7</sup> CL 151/3; CL 151/LIM/2; CL 151/PV/1; CL 151/PV/2; CL 151/PV/7

<sup>8</sup> C 2015/10; C 2015/10 Sup.1; CL 151/5 paras. 7-9; CL 151/PV/2; CL 151/PV/7

## Constitutional and Legal Matters

### Report of the 100<sup>th</sup> Session of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (23-24 February 2015)<sup>9</sup>

16. The Council approved the report of the 100<sup>th</sup> Session of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters.
17. In particular, the Council:
- a) noted the CCLM's review of the 2014 annual report of the Ethics Committee, recalled that in 2016 the relevant Governing Bodies of FAO would have to determine whether the Ethics Committee should be established on a permanent basis and looked forward to the implementation of the Financial Disclosure programme;
  - b) noted the guidance provided by the CCLM on the proposed amendments to the Convention Placing the International Poplar Commission within the Framework of FAO (IPC Convention) set out in Appendix I of document CL 151/2 and acknowledged that further negotiations would be required and that the CCLM would review again the draft amendments prior to referral to the Council and Conference in 2017; and
  - c) endorsed the proposal of the CCLM that an editorial adjustment be made to the Spanish version of Rule XXXIV, paragraph 13 of the General Rules of the Organization (GRO) to bring it in line with the other language versions.

## Governance Matters

### Address by Candidates for the Post of Director-General<sup>10</sup>

18. The sole candidate for the post of Director-General for the period 1 August 2015 to 31 July 2019, Mr José Graziano da Silva, addressed the Council.

### Assessment of Governance Reforms, including consideration of the Independent Review Report<sup>11</sup>

19. The Council welcomed the final report of the Independent Review of FAO Governance Reforms (C 2015/25), and expressed appreciation for the input made by the Open-ended Working Group and for the work of the Independent Chairperson of the Council in compiling the Assessment of FAO Governance Reforms table in document C 2015/26.
20. The Council took note of views and suggestions expressed on Article XIV bodies contained in the Report of the Joint Meeting of the 117<sup>th</sup> Session of the Programme Committee and the 157<sup>th</sup> Session of the Finance Committee.
21. The Council endorsed the proposed Recommendations and Actions in Section II of the Assessment of Governance Reforms, including the amendment to Recommendation 4 proposed by the Joint Meeting, and decided to submit them and the draft Resolution in Section III to the Conference for approval.
22. The Council also decided that the following changes be made to the Assessment table:
- a) the proposed action under Recommendation 2 should read "Recommendation accepted" and that the word "sought" be replaced by "required" in the same section.

<sup>9</sup> CL 151/2; CL 151/PV/5; CL 151/PV/7

<sup>10</sup> CL 151/7; C 2015/7; CL 151/PV/5; CL 151/PV/7

<sup>11</sup> C 2015/25; C 2015/26; CL 151/5 para. 10; CL 151/PV/3; CL 151/PV/7

## Arrangements for the 39<sup>th</sup> Session of the Conference<sup>12</sup>

### *Draft Timetable for the Session*

23. The Council agreed to submit the tentative Timetable set out in CL 151/8 to the Conference for approval.

### *Nomination of the Chairperson and the Vice-Chairpersons of the Conference and the Chairpersons of the Commissions of the Conference*

24. In accordance with Rule XXIV.5(b) of the GRO, the Council noted that consultations had taken place among delegations and that there was consensus on nominating Mr Le Mamea Ropati Mualia, Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Agriculture Store Corporation of Samoa as Chairperson of the Conference.

25. The Council agreed to submit to the Conference the following nominations for the office of Vice-Chairperson of the Conference:

- Mr Claudio Javier Rozenzwaig (Argentina)
- Mr Serge Tomasi (France)
- Mr Majid Dehghan-Shoar (Islamic Republic of Iran)

26. Furthermore, the Council agreed to put the following nominations before the Conference:

- Chairperson of Commission I: Mr Luca Fratini (Italy)
- Chairperson of Commission II: Mr Abdelbaset Ahmed Aly Shalaby (Egypt)

### *Nomination of Seven Members of the General Committee*

27. In accordance with Rule XXIV.5(b) GRO, the Council agreed to put the following nominations before the Conference:

- Australia
- Cameroon
- Canada
- China
- Iraq
- Nicaragua
- Slovakia

### *Nomination of Nine Members of the Credentials Committee*

28. In accordance with Rule XXIV.5(b) GRO, the Council agreed to put the following nominations before the Conference:

- Cuba
- Eritrea
- Indonesia
- New Zealand
- Oman
- Republic of Korea
- San Marino
- Thailand
- United States of America

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<sup>12</sup> CL 151/8; CL 151/PV/5; CL 151/PV/7

### **Council Multi-year Programme of Work 2015-18<sup>13</sup>**

29. The Council reviewed and approved its Multi-year Programme of Work (MYPOW) 2015-18, set out in *Appendix E* to this report.

30. The Council agreed that the comments and observations made by Members would be noted and tabled at the Informal Meetings of the Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons of the Regional Groups that would take place prior to the session of the Council in June 2015.

### **Status of Implementation of Decisions taken at the 150<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council (1-5 December 2014)<sup>14</sup>**

31. The Council took note of the status of implementation of decisions taken at its 150<sup>th</sup> (December 2014) and 149<sup>th</sup> Sessions (June 2014).

### **Other Matters**

#### **Follow-up to the Second International Conference on Nutrition (ICN2) (Rome, 19-21 November 2014)<sup>15</sup>**

32. The Council took note of the measures taken in follow-up to the Second International Conference on Nutrition (ICN2) and welcomed the progress made in response to the commitments of the Rome Declaration on Nutrition and the recommendations contained in the Framework for Action.

33. The Council expressed satisfaction with the follow-up action taken within the Organization, in particular the:

- a) mainstreaming of nutrition as a cross-cutting theme under the reviewed Strategic Framework, with a dedicated outcome in the Medium Term Plan 2014-17 (reviewed) and Programme of Work and Budget 2016-2017;
- b) identification of priority activities to be carried out by FAO during the period 2015 to 2017 in support of ICN2 outcomes;
- c) establishment of the Action for Nutrition Trust Fund to support governments in transforming ICN2 commitments into concrete actions. In this regard, the Council encouraged resource partners to make voluntary contributions to the Trust Fund; and
- d) plans for regular reporting on ICN2 follow-up to the FAO Governing Bodies.

34. With regard to follow-up action taken in collaboration with partners, the Council noted with appreciation the:

- a) request made to the UN Secretary General for the UN General Assembly to endorse the Rome Declaration on Nutrition and the Framework for Action and to consider declaring a Decade of Action on Nutrition from 2016 to 2025; the collaboration between FAO and WHO on the substantive contents of the proposed Decade of Action on Nutrition; and looked forward to its consideration by the UN General Assembly;
- b) efforts made to improve UN system coordination and collaboration on nutrition, through the strengthening of existing mechanisms;
- c) ongoing development by FAO, in cooperation with other UN partners, of a coherent mechanism for monitoring progress on implementation of the ICN2 outcomes, efforts for identifying potential areas for inclusion of nutrition in the proposed Sustainable Development Goals, with a view to reflecting ICN2 outcomes in the Post-2015 Development Agenda; and
- d) advocacy initiatives aimed at promoting and amplifying the food security and nutrition messages of ICN2 through Expo Milano 2015.

<sup>13</sup> CL 151/6; CL 151/PV/5; CL 151/PV/7

<sup>14</sup> CL 151/LIM/3; CL 151/PV/5; CL 151/PV/7

<sup>15</sup> CL 151/9; CL 151/PV/3; CL 151/PV/7

### **Status Report on Antimicrobial Resistance<sup>16</sup>**

35. The Council welcomed the Status Report on Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) and FAO's engagement across different sectors within the Organization. In particular, the Council:

- a) welcomed with appreciation the effort of FAO to work within the tripartite partnership with WHO and OIE and technically contribute to the WHO led process in drafting the Global Action Plan with regard to antimicrobial resistance;
- b) agreed that AMR is of medical, agricultural and environmental concern because of its high social, economic and environmental impact;
- c) acknowledged the importance of curbing AMR, and understanding the prudent use and governance of antimicrobials especially at policy levels, and encouraged science-based risk management approaches; and
- d) requested the ICC to circulate to all Members a revised version of the draft Conference Resolution contained in document C 2015/28 incorporating the amendments proposed, in track change mode, and views expressed by Council Members for review and finalization, as appropriate, by an informal Meeting of the Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons, accompanied by two representatives, of the Regional Groups to be convened by the ICC prior to submission to the 39<sup>th</sup> FAO Conference for adoption.

### **Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2015-16<sup>17</sup>**

36. The Council took note of the following amendment to the Calendar for 2015:

- a) the 101<sup>st</sup> Session of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (CCLM), previously scheduled from 28 to 30 September 2015, had been rescheduled from 21 to 23 October 2015.

37. The Council took note and approved the proposed amendments to the Calendar for 2016 (set out in *Appendix F* to this Report):

- a) the Committee on Agriculture (COAG) had been rescheduled to take place in September 2016, and the Committee on Commodity Problems (CCP) a week earlier; and
- b) the 33<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Regional Conference for the Near East had been rescheduled by one day from 18 to 22 April 2016, instead of from 17 to 21 April 2016.

38. The Council also took note that the Informal Regional Conference for North America would take place in Ottawa from 21 to 22 March 2016.

### **Provisional Agenda for the 152<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Council (15 June 2015)<sup>18</sup>**

39. The Council endorsed the Provisional Agenda of its 152<sup>nd</sup> Session (15 June 2015).

### **Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO<sup>19</sup>**

40. The Council appreciated presentations made on the following topics:

- i) Global *peste des petits ruminants* (PPR) Control and Eradication Programme;
- ii) Outcome of the 20<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Parties (COP20) of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) (Lima, 1-12 December 2014);
- iii) Outcome of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Plenary of the Inter-governmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) (Bonn, 12-17 January 2015);
- iv) Outcome of the 46<sup>th</sup> Session of the UN Statistical Commission (New York, 3-6 March 2015);
- v) XIV World Forestry Congress (Durban, 7-11 September 2015);  
3<sup>rd</sup> UN Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III) (October 2016); and
- vi) Social Protection Inter-Agency Cooperation Board (SPIAC-B).

<sup>16</sup> C 2015/28; CL 151/4 para. 6; CL 151/PV/4; CL 151/PV/7

<sup>17</sup> CL 151/LIM/1; CL 151/PV/5; CL 151/PV/7

<sup>18</sup> CL 151/INF/2; CL 151/PV/5; CL 151/PV/7

<sup>19</sup> CL 151/INF/4; CL 151/PV/7

### **Working Methods of the Council<sup>20</sup>**

41. The Council welcomed the initiatives taken by the Secretariat to improve the methods of work of the Council, and encouraged further improvements.

### **Statement by a Representative of the FAO Staff Bodies<sup>21</sup>**

42. Mr Juan Coy for the Association of Professionals in FAO (AP-in-FAO) made a statement on behalf of the FAO Staff Representative Bodies.

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<sup>20</sup> CL 151/INF/5; CL 151/PV/5; CL 151/PV/7

<sup>21</sup> CL 151/PV/7

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## **Appendix A**

### **Agenda for the 151<sup>st</sup> Session of the Council**

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#### **Procedure of the Session**

1. Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable
2. Election of three Vice-Chairpersons, and Designation of the Chairperson and Members of the Drafting Committee

#### **Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters**

3. Medium Term Plan 2014-17 (Reviewed) and Programme of Work and Budget 2016-17
4. Report of the Joint Meeting of the 117<sup>th</sup> Session of the Programme Committee and the 157<sup>th</sup> Session of the Finance Committee (11 March 2015)
5. Report of the 117<sup>th</sup> Session of the Programme Committee (9-13 March 2015)
6. Report of the 157<sup>th</sup> Session of the Finance Committee (9-13 March 2015)
  - 6.1 Status of Contributions and Arrears
  - 6.2 Scale of Contributions 2016-17
7. Synthesis of Evaluations of FAO Regional and Subregional Offices

#### **Constitutional and Legal Matters**

8. Report of the 100<sup>th</sup> Session of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (23-24 February 2015)

#### **Governance Matters**

9. Address by Candidates for the Post of Director-General
10. Assessment of Governance Reforms, including consideration of the Independent Review Report
11. Arrangements for the 39<sup>th</sup> Session of the Conference (including tentative timetable - Recommendations to the Conference)
12. Council Multi-year Programme of Work 2015-18
13. Status of implementation of decisions taken at the 150<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council (1-5 December 2014)

#### **Other Matters**

14. Follow-up to the Second International Conference on Nutrition (Rome, 19-21 November 2014) (ICN2)
15. Status report on Antimicrobial Resistance
16. Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2015-16
17. Provisional Agenda for the 152<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Council (15 June 2015)
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19. Working Methods of the Council
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CL 151/2	Report of the 100 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (23-24 February 2015)
CL 151/3	Report of the 157 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Finance Committee (9-13 March 2015)
CL 151/4	Report of the 117 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Programme Committee (9-13 March 2015)
CL 151/5	Report of the Joint Meeting of the 117 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Programme Committee and the 157 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Finance Committee (11 March 2015)
CL 151/6	Council Multi-year Programme of Work 2015-18
CL 151/7	Address by Candidates to the Council for the Post of Director-General
CL 151/8	Arrangements for the 39 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Conference (6-13 June 2015)
CL 151/9	Follow-up of the Second International Conference on Nutrition (Rome, 19-21 November 2014)
 <b>CL 152 Series</b>	
CL 152/3	Membership of the Programme Committee, Finance Committee and Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters
 <b>C 2015 Series</b>	
C 2015/3	Medium Term Plan 2014-17 (reviewed) and Programme of Work and Budget 2016-17
C 2015/3 Web Annex	Web Annex VIII: List of scheduled sessions
C 2015/3 - Information Note 1	Cost increase assumptions and estimates – Additional information and update
C 2015/3 - Information Note 2	Further efficiency gains and savings
C 2015/3 - Information Note 3	Reducing staff costs – ICSC review of staff compensation package
C 2015/3 - Information Note 4	Programmatic areas of emphasis and de-emphasis in 2016-17
C 2015/3 - Information Note 5	Use of FAO's Technical Cooperation Programme to help Small Island Developing States adapt to climate change
C 2015/7	Appointment of the Director-General (Note by the Secretary-General of the Conference and Council)
C 2015/10	Synthesis of Evaluations of FAO Regional and Subregional Offices
C 2015/10 Sup.1	Synthesis of Evaluations of FAO Regional and Subregional Offices - Management views

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## Appendix C

### Draft Resolution for the Conference

### Budgetary Appropriations 2016-17

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#### THE CONFERENCE,

**Having considered** the Director-General's Programme of Work and Budget;

**Having considered** the proposed total net appropriation of USD 1,035,749,000 for the financial period 2016-17 at the 2014-15 rate of Euro 1= USD 1.30 which assumes US dollar and Euro expenditure equal to USD 546,399,000 and Euros 376,423,000;

**Having considered** that the above net appropriation is equivalent to USD 1,005,635,000 at the budget rate of Euro 1 = USD 1.22 established for 2016-17 after translation of the Euro portion;

1. **Approves** the Programme of Work proposed by the Director-General for 2016-17 as follows:

a) Appropriations are voted at a rate of Euro 1 = USD 1.22 for the following purposes:

		<b>USD</b>
Chapter 1:	Contribute to the eradication of hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition	83,652,000
Chapter 2:	Increase and improve provision of goods and services from agriculture, forestry and fisheries in a sustainable manner	202,401,000
Chapter 3:	Reduce rural poverty	64,787,000
Chapter 4:	Enable more inclusive and efficient agricultural and food systems	105,451,000
Chapter 5:	Increase the resilience of livelihoods to threats and crises	50,206,000
Chapter 6:	Technical Quality, Knowledge and Services	58,619,000
Chapter 7:	Technical Cooperation Programme	138,131,000
Chapter 8:	Outreach	74,685,000
Chapter 9:	Information Technology	35,516,000
Chapter 10:	FAO Governance, Oversight and Direction	81,248,000
Chapter 11:	Efficient and Effective Administration	73,635,000
Chapter 12:	Contingencies	600,000
Chapter 13:	Capital Expenditure	16,892,000
Chapter 14:	Security Expenditure	22,485,000
	Unidentified further efficiency gains and savings	(2,673,000)
	<b>Total Appropriation (Net)</b>	<b>1,005,635,000</b>
Chapter 15:	Transfer to Tax Equalization Fund	90,100,000
	<b>Total Appropriation (Gross)</b>	<b>1,095,735,000</b>

b) The appropriations (net) voted in paragraph (a) above minus estimated Miscellaneous Income in the amount of USD 5,000,000 shall be financed by assessed contributions from Member Nations of USD 1,000,635,000 to implement the Programme of Work. Such contributions shall be established in US dollars and Euro and shall consist of USD 541,399,000 and Euro 376,423,000. This takes into account a split of 54% US dollars

and 46% Euro for the appropriations (net) and of 100% US dollars for Miscellaneous Income.

- c) An additional amount of USD 14,100,000 shall also be financed by assessed contributions from Member Nations to fund the After-service Medical Coverage (ASMC) past service liability. The contributions shall be established in US dollars and Euro, taking into account a split of 33% US dollars and 67% Euro, and shall therefore amount to USD 4,653,000 and Euro 7,743,000.
  - d) The total contributions due from Member Nations to implement the approved Programme of Work and to fund the amortization of ASMC shall amount to USD 546,052,000 and Euro 384,166,000. Such contributions due from Member Nations in 2016 and 2017 shall be paid in accordance with the scale of contributions adopted by the Conference at its Thirty-ninth session.
  - e) In establishing the actual amounts of contributions to be paid by individual Member Nations, a further amount shall be charged through the Tax Equalization Fund for any Member Nation that levies taxes on the salaries, emoluments and indemnities received by staff members from FAO and which are reimbursed to the staff members by the Organization. An estimate of USD 8,500,000 has been foreseen for this purpose.
2. **Authorizes** the Director-General, notwithstanding Financial Regulation 4.2, to use any unspent balance of the 2014-15 appropriations for any additional expenditures of a one-time nature associated with consolidation of transformational change.
  3. **Requests** the Director-General to propose adjustments to the Programme of Work for the unidentified further efficiency gains and savings referred to in paragraph 1(a) above and amounting in aggregate to USD 2,673,000, which are currently not reflected in the chapter structure, for consideration by the Programme and Finance Committees and approval by the Council at its 153<sup>rd</sup> Session in December 2015, noting that both within chapter transfers and transfers from one chapter to another required to implement the proposals during the biennium will be handled in accordance with Financial Regulation 4.5.
  4. **Appeals** to the UN General Assembly to consider the need for greater vigilance with regards to increases in staff costs across the UN Common System, particularly within the context of the ongoing comprehensive review being undertaken by the International Civil Service Commission.
  5. **Recommends** that the TCP appropriation in the PWB 2018-19 should be in line with Conference Resolution 9/89.
  6. **Encourages** Members to provide voluntary contributions to facilitate achievement of the Strategic Objectives and implementation of the integrated Programme of Work under the results framework.

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**Appendix D**  
**Draft Resolution for the Conference**  
**Scale of Contributions for 2016-17**

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**THE CONFERENCE**

**Having noted** the recommendations of the Hundred and Fifty-first Session of the Council;

**Confirming** that as in the past, FAO should follow the United Nations Scale of Assessments subject to adaptation for the different membership of FAO;

**Decides** that the FAO Scale of Contributions for 2016-17 should be derived directly from the United Nations Scale of Assessments in force during 2015;

**Adopts** for use in 2016 and 2017 the Scale as set out below.

(2014-2015 Scale shown for comparative purposes)

	Proposed Scale <sup>1</sup>	Actual Scale <sup>2</sup>
Member Nation	2016-17	2014-15
Afghanistan	0.005	0.005
Albania	0.010	0.010
Algeria	0.137	0.137
Andorra	0.008	0.008
Angola	0.010	0.010
Antigua and Barbuda	0.002	0.002
Argentina	0.432	0.432
Armenia	0.007	0.007
Australia	2.074	2.074
Austria	0.798	0.798
Azerbaijan	0.040	0.040
Bahamas	0.017	0.017
Bahrain	0.039	0.039
Bangladesh	0.010	0.010
Barbados	0.008	0.008
Belarus	0.056	0.056

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<sup>1</sup> Derived directly from the UN Scale of Assessments for 2013-2015 as adopted by General Assembly Resolution 67/238 of 21 December 2012

<sup>2</sup> Derived directly from the UN Scale of Assessments for 2013-2015 as adopted by General Assembly Resolution 67/238 of 21 December 2012

Belgium	0.998	0.998
Belize	0.001	0.001
Benin	0.003	0.003
Bhutan	0.001	0.001
Bolivia	0.009	0.009
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0.017	0.017
Botswana	0.017	0.017
Brazil	2.934	2.934
Brunei Darussalam	0.026	0.026
Bulgaria	0.047	0.047
Burkina Faso	0.003	0.003
Burundi	0.001	0.001
Cabo Verde	0.001	0.001
Cambodia	0.004	0.004
Cameroon	0.012	0.012
Canada	2.985	2.985
Central African Republic	0.001	0.001
Chad	0.002	0.002
Chile	0.334	0.334
China	5.149	5.149
Colombia	0.259	0.259
Comoros	0.001	0.001
Congo	0.005	0.005
Cook Islands	0.001	0.001
Costa Rica	0.038	0.038
Côte d'Ivoire	0.011	0.011
Croatia	0.126	0.126
Cuba	0.069	0.069
Cyprus	0.047	0.047
Czech Republic	0.386	0.386
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	0.006	0.006
Democratic Republic of the Congo	0.003	0.003
Denmark	0.675	0.675
Djibouti	0.001	0.001
Dominica	0.001	0.001
Dominican Republic	0.045	0.045

Ecuador	0.044	0.044
Egypt	0.134	0.134
El Salvador	0.016	0.016
Equatorial Guinea	0.010	0.010
Eritrea	0.001	0.001
Estonia	0.040	0.040
Ethiopia	0.010	0.010
Fiji	0.003	0.003
Finland	0.519	0.519
France	5.594	5.594
Gabon	0.020	0.020
Gambia	0.001	0.001
Georgia	0.007	0.007
Germany	7.142	7.142
Ghana	0.014	0.014
Greece	0.638	0.638
Grenada	0.001	0.001
Guatemala	0.027	0.027
Guinea	0.001	0.001
Guinea-Bissau	0.001	0.001
Guyana	0.001	0.001
Haiti	0.003	0.003
Honduras	0.008	0.008
Hungary	0.266	0.266
Iceland	0.027	0.027
India	0.666	0.666
Indonesia	0.346	0.346
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	0.356	0.356
Iraq	0.068	0.068
Ireland	0.418	0.418
Israel	0.396	0.396
Italy	4.449	4.449
Jamaica	0.011	0.011
Japan	10.834	10.834
Jordan	0.022	0.022
Kazakhstan	0.121	0.121

Kenya	0.013	0.013
Kiribati	0.001	0.001
Kuwait	0.273	0.273
Kyrgyzstan	0.002	0.002
Lao People's Democratic Republic	0.002	0.002
Latvia	0.047	0.047
Lebanon	0.042	0.042
Lesotho	0.001	0.001
Liberia	0.001	0.001
Libya	0.142	0.142
Lithuania	0.073	0.073
Luxembourg	0.081	0.081
Madagascar	0.003	0.003
Malawi	0.002	0.002
Malaysia	0.281	0.281
Maldives	0.001	0.001
Mali	0.004	0.004
Malta	0.016	0.016
Marshall Islands	0.001	0.001
Mauritania	0.002	0.002
Mauritius	0.013	0.013
Mexico	1.842	1.842
Micronesia (Federated States of)	0.001	0.001
Monaco	0.012	0.012
Mongolia	0.003	0.003
Montenegro	0.005	0.005
Morocco	0.062	0.062
Mozambique	0.003	0.003
Myanmar	0.010	0.010
Namibia	0.010	0.010
Nauru	0.001	0.001
Nepal	0.006	0.006
Netherlands	1.654	1.654
New Zealand	0.253	0.253
Nicaragua	0.003	0.003
Niger	0.002	0.002



Nigeria	0.090	0.090
Niue	0.001	0.001
Norway	0.851	0.851
Oman	0.102	0.102
Pakistan	0.085	0.085
Palau	0.001	0.001
Panama	0.026	0.026
Papua New Guinea	0.004	0.004
Paraguay	0.010	0.010
Peru	0.117	0.117
Philippines	0.154	0.154
Poland	0.921	0.921
Portugal	0.474	0.474
Qatar	0.209	0.209
Republic of Korea	1.994	1.994
Republic of Moldova	0.003	0.003
Romania	0.226	0.226
Russian Federation	2.438	2.438
Rwanda	0.002	0.002
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0.001	0.001
Saint Lucia	0.001	0.001
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0.001	0.001
Samoa	0.001	0.001
San Marino	0.003	0.003
Sao Tome and Principe	0.001	0.001
Saudi Arabia	0.864	0.864
Senegal	0.006	0.006
Serbia	0.040	0.040
Seychelles	0.001	0.001
Sierra Leone	0.001	0.001
Singapore	0.384	0.384
Slovakia	0.171	0.171
Slovenia	0.100	0.100
Solomon Islands	0.001	0.001
Somalia	0.001	0.001
South Africa	0.372	0.372

South Sudan	0.004	0.004
Spain	2.973	2.973
Sri Lanka	0.025	0.025
Sudan	0.010	0.010
Suriname	0.004	0.004
Swaziland	0.003	0.003
Sweden	0.960	0.960
Switzerland	1.047	1.047
Syrian Arab Republic	0.036	0.036
Tajikistan	0.003	0.003
Thailand	0.239	0.239
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	0.008	0.008
Timor-Leste	0.002	0.002
Togo	0.001	0.001
Tonga	0.001	0.001
Trinidad and Tobago	0.044	0.044
Tunisia	0.036	0.036
Turkey	1.328	1.328
Turkmenistan	0.019	0.019
Tuvalu	0.001	0.001
Uganda	0.006	0.006
Ukraine	0.099	0.099
United Arab Emirates	0.595	0.595
United Kingdom	5.180	5.180
United Republic of Tanzania	0.009	0.009
United States of America	22.000	22.000
Uruguay	0.052	0.052
Uzbekistan	0.015	0.015
Vanuatu	0.001	0.001
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	0.627	0.627
Viet Nam	0.042	0.042
Yemen	0.010	0.010
Zambia	0.006	0.006
Zimbabwe	0.002	0.002

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## Appendix E

### Council Multi-year Programme of Work Revised version covering the 2015-18 period

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#### I. Overall Objective for the Council

The Council provides the Conference with precise, balanced and timely guidance on strategies, priorities, programmes and budget for the Organization, as well as constitutional, organizational, administrative and financial matters. In accordance with the Basic Texts and Conference Resolution 8/2009, the Council also plays a dynamic role in the development of the Strategic Framework, the Medium Term Plan (MTP) and the Programme of Work and Budget (PWB) of the Organization and has an oversight and monitoring function over the implementation of governance decisions. In particular, the Council has a major role in deciding and advising on matters pertaining to the implementation of the PWB. The Council also elects the members of the Programme Committee, Finance Committee and Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters biennially and six members of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme annually and provides clear assessments on the world food and agriculture situation and related matters which may have been referred to the Council. It operates efficiently and effectively in a results-based manner, holding its sessions in keeping with the rolling work plan outlined in Section II G below, and with the *Note on Methods of Work of the Council*.

#### II. Results

##### A. Strategy and priority setting, and budget planning

Result: Conference decisions on strategies, priorities, programmes and budget for the Organization, as well as on the status of world food and agriculture, are aligned with and follow Council guidance based on FAO's Strategic Objectives as reflected in its Programme of Work and Budget.

Indicators and targets:

- Conference report reflects the recommendations made by Council on the Strategic Framework, Medium Term Plan (MTP) and Programme of Work and Budget (PWB).
- In reviewing and approving the budget of the Organization, the Conference has at its disposal an explicit recommendation from the Council on the alignment between strategies, priorities and work programmes with the proposed budget of the Organization<sup>1</sup>.
- Council guidance on world food and agriculture issues receives Conference approval.
- Conference approves the provisional agenda recommended to it by Council.

Outputs: Clear and precise decisions taken and recommendations made to Conference reflecting membership priorities for addressing agriculture and food security issues in the context of FAO's Strategic Objectives, as reflected in its MTP and PWB and recommendations made to Conference.

Activities:

- Review and assessment of the recommendations made by the FAO Governing bodies, in particular review and assessment of the recommendations made by the Finance and Programme Committees and their Joint Meetings regarding the Strategic Framework, MTP and PWB, and clear recommendations thereon to Conference.

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<sup>1</sup> Basic Texts, Volume II, Section D, Resolution 8/2009, *Implementation of the Immediate Plan of Action regarding the Council*

- Review and assessment of the recommendations made by the Technical Committees on technical priorities and budget matters.
- Review and assessment of the recommendations made by the Regional Conferences on regional priorities and budget matters.
- Assessment of major issues pertaining to the world food and agriculture situation as necessary.
- Decisions on any adjustments to the PWB.
- Recommendations to Conference on the Programme and Budget Resolutions, including the content and level of the budget.
- Recommendation of the main theme of the general debate at the Conference session.
- Recommendation of the provisional agenda of the Conference session.
- Development of a set of Members' priorities as an organizational work plan.

Working methods:

- Informal coordination meetings of the Chairpersons and Secretariats of the Finance and Programme Committees, Regional Conferences and Technical Committees, facilitated by the Independent Chairperson of Council.
- Informal consultation meetings of the Chairpersons of the Regional Groups and senior members of the Secretariat, facilitated by the Independent Chairperson of Council.
- Regular contacts between the Independent Chairperson of Council and FAO Management.

## **B. Monitoring implementation of governance decisions**

Result: Advise Conference through decisions on governance that directly support FAO's Strategic Objectives and regularly monitor the implementation of those decisions.

Indicators and targets:

- Timely implementation of governance decisions taken by Conference and Council is monitored by the Council, and this is reflected in the Conference report.
- The recommendations on measures designed to increase the efficiency of Governing Bodies are reviewed and assessed by Council before submission to Conference.

Outputs: Clear and precise decisions taken and recommendations made to Conference reflecting the Council's assessment of the implementation of governance decisions.

Activities:

- Review and assessment of governance decisions of Council.
- Review and assessment of the recommendations made by the Open-ended Working Group on measures designed to increase the efficiency of Governing Bodies, including representation.<sup>2</sup>
- Review of the Multi-year Programmes of Work (MYPOW) of the Governing Bodies, and assessment of related progress reports.
- Recommendations and decisions on the need to convene Ministerial Meetings as necessary.
- Review and assessment of issues regarding treaties, conventions and agreements that are within the framework of FAO.
- Review of developments in other fora of importance for the mandate of FAO.
- Review of the outcome of the Independent Review of governance reforms to inform the final assessment by the 39<sup>th</sup> Session of the Conference in June 2015.

Working methods:

- Feedback method to Conference via reports on implementation of governance decisions.
- Informal coordination meetings of the Chairpersons and Secretariats of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (CCLM), Finance and Programme Committees, Regional Conferences and Technical Committees, facilitated by the Independent Chairperson of Council.

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<sup>2</sup> C 2011/28

- Informal consultation meetings of the Chairpersons of the Regional Groups and senior members of the Secretariat, facilitated by the Independent Chairperson of Council.
- Regular contacts between the Independent Chairperson of Council and FAO Management.
- Advice from the Statutory Bodies through the Technical Committees.

### **C. Exercise of oversight functions**

Result: Well-functioning legal, ethics, financial and administrative frameworks, policies and systems are in place and regularly monitored by Council.

Indicators and targets:

- The Organization operates within its legal, financial and administrative framework.
- Transparent, independent and professional evaluation of the Organization's performance, as well as audit and ethics oversight.
- The elections mandated by the Basic Texts are held within the set deadlines.
- Policies are implemented and systems function in accordance with existing rules and standards.
- The proposed calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other main sessions conforms with the schedule of sessions for the implementation of the Programming, Budgeting and Results-based Monitoring System.

Outputs: Clear and precise decisions and recommendations made to Conference ensuring the well-functioning of FAO's legal, ethical, financial and administrative frameworks.

Activities:

- Review and assessment of the Finance Committee recommendations and decisions regarding budgetary performance and programme, budgetary transfers and the Organization's financial situation, including resource mobilization and voluntary contributions.
- Review and assessment of the Finance Committee recommendations regarding ethics and audit, both internal and external.
- Review and assessment of the Finance Committee recommendations regarding policies and systems, both in Headquarters and Decentralized Offices, for human resources, administrative and business processes, contracting and purchasing, and information and communication technology.
- Review and assessment of the Programme and Finance Committee recommendations on strategic evaluations and the Programme Implementation Report.
- Review and assessment of the CCLM recommendations on constitutional and legal matters.
- Independent Evaluation of the evaluation function every six years (first review in 2016) – report to Management and the Council together with the recommendations of the Programme Committee.

Working methods:

- Advice from the Finance and Programme Committees and their Joint Meetings, and from the CCLM.
- In-depth review of one substantive issue related to FAO's Strategic Framework to be chosen by the Council once every two years.
- Regular contacts between the Independent Chairperson of Council and FAO Management.

### **D. Monitoring and Evaluation of Management performance**

Result: Management performance targets are regularly reviewed and monitored by Council.

Indicators and targets:

- Performance of Management is in line with established performance targets.
- Adjustments are made to performance targets as necessary.

Outputs: Clear and precise decisions taken, and recommendations made to Conference.

Activities:

- Monitoring of the performance of Management against established performance targets in the framework of the results-based budgeting and management system, based on the MTP/PWB and on the reports of the Finance and Programme Committees and their Joint Meetings.
- Programme Implementation Report.
- Review of the contribution of extra-budgetary resources to the Organizational Results framework.
- On a periodic basis, organize the transparent, professional and independent evaluation of the Organization's performance in contributing to its planned outcomes and impacts.
- Review of the Programme and Finance Committees recommendations for adjustment of PWB implementation.
- Recommendations of the Programme Committee on Strategic Evaluations and their subsequent follow-up.

Working methods:

- Regular contacts between the Independent Chairperson of Council and FAO Management.
- Informal seminars and consultations among Members.
- Presentations by the Secretariat on management strategies and policies to Council.
- Informal briefing by the FAO staff representatives bodies.

## **E. Work planning and working methods**

Results: Council operates efficiently, in a proactive and inclusive way, according to established work plans and improved working methods.

Indicators and targets:

- Council agendas are focused.
- Council reports are concise, consisting mainly of conclusions, decisions and recommendations, and are made available to Members soon after the closure of the session.
- Council documents have a standardized cover page, with a box suggesting the proposed action.
- Council documents are issued 4 weeks before a session opens.

Outputs:

- A MYPOW for Council.
- A Note on Methods of Work of the Council is issued at each session of Council.
- Annual briefing for new Council members.
- Updating of the "Introduction to the FAO Council" document as required.

Activities:

- Preparation of the Council MYPOW, with performance indicators.
- Preparation of a progress report to Conference on the Council MYPOW.
- Regular review of the methods of work of Council, including performance measures.
- Review of the status of implementation of Council decisions.
- Study and comparison of the governance of other international organizations in view of introducing potential improvements in the operating procedures of Council and the implementation of its MYPOW.

Working methods:

- Structured and focused deliberations during Council sessions.
- Efficient drafting arrangements for Council reports, based on the conclusions made by the Independent Chairperson of Council in closing and summing up each item.
- Regular inter-sessional activities, determined according to their interest, and level of priority.
- As appropriate, strengthen human and financial resources mobilized by the Secretariat for the implementation of, and follow up to, the MYPOW.

- Informal meetings of the Chairpersons of the Regional Groups and senior members of the Secretariat, facilitated by the Independent Chairperson of Council.
- Regular contacts between the Independent Chairperson of Council and FAO Management.

### F. Outstanding IPA Actions

The 144<sup>th</sup> Session of Council (June 2012) requested that the MYPOW include IPA actions which had not been completed:

IPA Action No. and Description		End-date	
	The Council		
2.18	The Council shall make a clear recommendation to Conference on the Programme and Budget Resolution including the budget level	For attention by Members	Pending.
	Further Actions to Improve the Effectiveness of FAO Governance		
2.74	The Conference will assess the workings of the governance reforms, including the role and functioning of the Regional Conferences with an independent review as an input to this process.	June 2015	See document C 2015/25 – <i>Independent Review of FAO Governance Reforms - Final Report</i> and C 2015/26 – <i>Assessment of the Independent Review of FAO Governance Reforms</i>
	Appointment and Term of Office of the Director-General		
2.100	c) The FAO Conference will consider for approval desirable qualifications for the post of Director-General developed by the CoC-IEE in 2009.	For attention by Members	Pending.
	Governing body follow-up		
4.4	... any changes found desirable in the size and regional representation in the membership of the Council and propose with advice from the CCLM any necessary changes in the Basic Texts to the 2009 Session of the Conference;	For attention by Members	Pending.

### **G. Sessions and Work plan of Council**

1. The Council shall hold at least five sessions in a biennium as follows:
  - a) two sessions in the first year of the biennium;
  - b) one session not less than 60 days before the regular session of the Conference, at which the Council shall in particular make recommendations to Conference on the Strategic Framework (every four years), MTP and PWB;
  - c) one session immediately after the regular session of the Conference, at which the Council shall in particular elect the Chairpersons and members of the Programme Committee, Finance Committee and CCLM; and
  - d) one session towards the end of the second year of the biennium.
2. The indicative rolling work plan of Council shall be as outlined in the following tables, and shall be adjusted as and when required by the Council, including inclusion of effective dates for sessions of bodies reporting to it, hence the “t.b.d” label (“to be determined”) added to some entries.
3. At its sessions, the Council shall review a document on the status of implementation of decisions taken at its previous session.
4. At the end of each session, the Council shall review its provisional agenda for the following session.
5. Substantive issues which shall be regularly addressed at Council sessions include the following items:
  - Audit, ethics and other oversight issues;
  - Human resources;
  - Resource mobilization, including voluntary contributions;
  - Decentralization issues;
  - Contracting and purchasing issues;
  - Information and communication technology issues;
  - Strategic evaluations and management responses;
  - United Nations system-wide developments regarding oversight issues impacting on FAO.



<b>152<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Council, June 2015</b>
<p><b>Election of Committees</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Election of the Chairperson and Twelve Members of the Programme Committee</li> <li>2) Election of the Chairperson and Twelve Members of the Finance Committee</li> <li>3) Election of the Chairperson and Seven Members of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters</li> </ol>
<p><b>Other Matters</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4) Matters Arising out of the Conference Session</li> <li>5) Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO</li> <li>6) Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2015-2016</li> <li>7) Provisional Agenda for the following session of Council</li> </ol>
<b>153<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Council, November/December 2015</b>
<p><b>Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Approval of Adjustments to the Programme of Work and Budget 2016-17</li> <li>2) Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (October 2015)</li> <li>3) Report of the Programme Committee (October 2015)</li> <li>4) Report of the Finance Committee (October 2015)</li> </ol>
<p><b>Committee on World Food Security</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5) Report of the Committee on World Food Security (October 2015)</li> </ol>
<p><b>Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6) Report of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (September 2015)</li> </ol>
<p><b>Governance Matters</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7) Multi-year Programmes of Work of the <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finance Committee</li> <li>• Programme Committee</li> <li>• CCLM</li> <li>• Regional Conferences</li> <li>• Technical Committees</li> <li>• Council</li> </ul> </li> <li>8) Council Multi-year Programme of Work 2016-19</li> <li>9) Status of implementation of Council decisions</li> </ol>
<p><b>Other Matters</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10) World Food Programme: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Election of Six Members of the WFP Executive Board; and</li> <li>ii) Annual Report of the WFP Executive Board on its activities in 2014</li> </ol> </li> <li>11) Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO</li> <li>12) Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2015-2017</li> <li>13) Provisional Agenda for the following session of Council</li> <li>14) Working Methods of Council</li> </ol>

<b>154<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council, June 2016</b>
<p><b>Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters</b></p> <p>1) Programme Implementation Report 2014-2015            2) Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (...2016) (t.b.d.)            3) Report of the Programme Committee (...2016) (t.b.d.)            4) Report of the Finance Committee (...2016) (t.b.d.)</p>
<p><b>Regional Conferences</b></p> <p>5) Report of the Regional Conference for Africa (...2016) (t.b.d.)            6) Report of the Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific (...2016) (t.b.d.)            7) Report of the Regional Conference for the Europe (...2016) (t.b.d.)            8) Report of the Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean (...2016) (t.b.d.)            9) Report of the Regional Conference for the Near East (...2016) (t.b.d.)            10) Report on the Informal Regional Conference for North America (...2016) (t.b.d.)</p>
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<p><b>Governance Matters</b></p> <p>12) Council Multi-year Programme of Work 2016-19            13) Status of implementation of Council decisions</p>
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<b>155<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council, November/December 2016</b>
<p><b>Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters</b></p> <p>1) Review of the Strategic Framework            2) Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (...2016) (t.b.d.)            3) Report of the Programme Committee (...2016) (t.b.d.)            4) Report of the Finance Committee (...2016) (t.b.d.)</p>
<p><b>Technical Committees and Committee on World Food Security</b></p> <p>5) Report of the Committee on Agriculture (...2016) (t.b.d.)            6) Report of the Committee on Commodity Problems (...2016) (t.b.d.)            7) Report of the Committee on Fisheries (...2016) (t.b.d.)            8) Report of the Committee on Forestry (...2016) (t.b.d.) (including sub-item on World Forestry Congress)            9) Report of the Committee on World Food Security (...2016) (t.b.d.)</p>
<p><b>Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters</b></p> <p>10) Report of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (...2016) (t.b.d.)</p>
<p><b>Governance Matters</b></p> <p>11) Arrangements for the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the Conference (including provisional agenda and Council recommendation on a theme for the general debate at Conference)            12) Council Multi-year Programme of Work 2017-20            13) Status of implementation of Council decisions</p>
<p><b>Other Matters</b></p> <p>14) World Food Programme:            i) Election of Six Members of the WFP Executive Board; and            ii) Annual Report of the WFP Executive Board on its activities in 2015            15) Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO            16) Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2016-2018            17) Provisional Agenda for the following session of Council            18) Working Methods of Council</p>

<b>156<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council, April 2017</b>
<p><b>Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Medium Term Plan 2018-21 and Programme of Work and Budget 2018-2019</li> <li>2) Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (...2017) (t.b.d.)</li> <li>3) Report of the Programme Committee (...2017) (t.b.d.)</li> <li>4) Report of the Finance Committee (...2017) (t.b.d.)</li> </ol>
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<p><b>Governance Matters</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6) Arrangements for the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the Conference (including tentative timetable) – Recommendations to Conference</li> <li>7) Council Multi-year Programme of Work 2017-20</li> <li>8) Status of implementation of Council decisions</li> </ol>
<p><b>Other Matters</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9) Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO</li> <li>10) Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2017-2018</li> <li>11) Provisional Agenda for the following session of Council</li> <li>12) Working Methods of Council</li> </ol>

<b>157<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council, June/July 2017</b>
<p><b>Election of Committees</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Election of the Chairperson and Twelve Members of the Programme Committee</li> <li>2) Election of the Chairperson and Twelve Members of the Finance Committee</li> <li>3) Election of the Chairperson and Seven Members of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters</li> </ol>
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<b>158<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council, November/December 2017</b>
<p><b>Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Approval of Adjustments to the Programme of Work and Budget 2018-19</li> <li>2) Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (...2017) (t.b.d.)</li> <li>3) Report of the Programme Committee (...2017) (t.b.d.)</li> <li>4) Report of the Finance Committee (...2017) (t.b.d.)</li> </ol>
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<p><b>Other Matters</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10) World Food Programme: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Election of Six Members of the WFP Executive Board; and</li> <li>ii) Annual Report of the WFP Executive Board on its activities in 2016</li> </ol> </li> <li>11) Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO</li> <li>12) Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2017-2019</li> <li>13) Provisional Agenda for the following session of Council</li> <li>14) Working Methods of Council</li> </ol>

<b>159<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council, June/July 2018</b>
<p><b>Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Programme Implementation Report 2016-2017</li> <li>2) Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (...2018) (t.b.d.)</li> <li>3) Report of the Programme Committee (...2018) (t.b.d.)</li> <li>4) Report of the Finance Committee (...2018) (t.b.d.)</li> </ol>
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<p><b>Governance Matters</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12) Council Multi-year Programme of Work 2018-21</li> <li>13) Status of implementation of Council decisions</li> </ol>
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<b>160<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council, November/December 2018</b>
<p><b>Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (...2018) (t.b.d.)</li> <li>2) Report of the Programme Committee (...2018) (t.b.d.)</li> <li>3) Report of the Finance Committee (...2018) (t.b.d.)</li> </ol>
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<p><b>Governance Matters</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10) Arrangements for the 41<sup>st</sup> Session of the Conference (including provisional agenda and Council recommendation on a theme for the general debate at Conference)</li> <li>11) Council Multi-year Programme of Work 2019-22</li> <li>12) Status of implementation of Council decisions</li> </ol>
<p><b>Other Matters</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>13) World Food Programme: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Election of Six Members of the WFP Executive Board; and</li> <li>ii) Annual Report of the WFP Executive Board on its activities in 2017</li> </ol> </li> <li>14) Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO</li> <li>15) Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2018-2020</li> <li>16) Provisional Agenda for the following session of Council</li> <li>17) Working Methods of Council</li> </ol>



## Appendix F

### Provisional Calendar of FAO/IFAD/WFP Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2015-2016

		2015		2016
<b>JANUARY</b>	15 CGRFA	19-23		
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	WFP IFAD/GC <b>100 CCLM</b>	9-13 15-19 <b>23-24</b>	WFP IFAD/GC <b>34 LARC</b>	8-12 15-19 <b>22-26</b>
<b>MARCH</b>	<b>157 FC</b> <b>117 PC</b> <b>151 CL</b>	<b>9-13</b> <b>9-13</b> <b>23-27</b>	<b>33 APRC</b> <b>102 CCLM</b> <b>4 INARC</b>	<b>7-11</b> <b>14-16</b> <b>21-22</b>
<b>APRIL</b>	IFAD/EB	20-24	<b>29 ARC</b> IFAD/EB <b>33 NERC</b>	<b>4-8</b> 11-15 <b>18-22</b>
<b>MAY</b>	<b>158 FC</b> WFP	<b>11-13</b> 25-29	<b>30 ERC</b> <b>160 FC</b> <b>119 PC</b> WFP <b>154 CL</b>	<b>2-5</b> <b>16-20</b> <b>16-20</b> 23-27 <b>30/5 – 3/6</b>
<b>JUNE</b>	<b>39 C</b> <b>152 CL</b>	<b>6-13</b> <b>15</b>	<b>39 CODEX</b>	<b>27/6-2/7 (Rome)</b>
<b>JULY</b>	38 CODEX	6-11 July (Geneva)	<b>32 COFI</b> <b>23 COFO</b>	<b>11-15</b> <b>18-22</b>
<b>AUGUST</b>				
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	IFAD/EB	14-18	IFAD/EB <b>25 COAG</b>	19-23 <b>26-30</b>
<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>42 CFS</b> <b>WFD</b> <b>101 CCLM</b>	<b>12-17</b> <b>16 (Friday)</b> <b>21-23</b>	<b>71 CCP</b> <b>WFD</b> <b>43 CFS</b> <b>103 CCLM</b>	<b>3-5</b> <b>17 (Monday)</b> <b>17-22</b> <b>24-26</b>
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	<b>159 FC</b> <b>118 PC</b> WFP <b>153 CL</b>	<b>2-6</b> <b>2-6</b> 9-13 <b>30/11-04/12</b>	<b>161 FC</b> <b>120 PC</b> WFP	<b>7-11</b> <b>7-11</b> 14-18
<b>DECEMBER</b>	IFAD/EB	14-18	<b>155 CL</b> IFAD/EB	<b>5-9</b> 12-16

Easter: 5 April 2015  
 Orthodox Easter: 12 April 2015  
 Ramadan: 18 June – 16 July 2015  
 Eid Al-Fitr: 17 July 2015  
 Eid Al-Adha: 23 September 2015

Easter: 27 March 2016  
 Orthodox Easter: 1 May 2016  
 Ramadan: 6 June – 5 July 2016  
 Eid Al-Fitr: 6 July 2016  
 Eid Al-Adha: 11 September 2016

APRC	Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific	COFO	Committee on Forestry
ARC	Regional Conference for Africa	ERC	Regional Conference for Europe
C	Conference	FC	Finance Committee
CCLM	Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters	IFAD/EB	IFAD Executive Board
CCP	Committee on Commodity Problems	IFAD/GC	IFAD Governing Council
CFS	Committee on World Food Security	INARC	Informal Regional Conference for North America
CGRFA	Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture	LARC	Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean
CL	Council	NERC	Regional Conference for the Near East
COAG	Committee on Agriculture	PC	Programme Committee
CODEX	Codex Alimentarius Commission	WFD	World Food Day
COFI	Committee on Fisheries	WFP	World Food Programme Executive Board





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**Term of office expiring**

**Elected by FAO Council**

**Elected by ECOSOC**

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Afghanistan (B)  
Italy (D)  
Mexico (C)  
Philippines (B)  
Uganda (A)  
United States of America (D)

India (B)  
Iraq (B)  
Netherlands (D)  
Russian Federation (E)  
Sierra Leone (A)  
Switzerland (D)

31 December 2016

Canada (D)  
Colombia (C)  
Equatorial Guinea (A)  
Germany (D)  
Saudi Arabia (B)  
South Africa (A)

Burundi (A)  
Cuba (C)  
Ethiopia (A)  
Norway (D)  
Pakistan (B)  
Spain (D)

31 December 2017

Libya (A)  
Iran (Islamic Republic of) (B)<sup>1</sup>  
Brazil (C)  
Australia (D)  
Denmark (D)  
Poland (E)

Japan (D)  
Panama (C)  
Republic of Korea (B)<sup>2</sup>  
Swaziland (A)  
United Kingdom (D)  
Hungary (E)

<sup>1</sup> This seat rotates between lists A, B and C as follows: List B (2015-2017), List A (2018-2020), List C (2021-2023).

<sup>2</sup> At the ECOSOC Coordination and Management Meeting on 12 April 2014 the Republic of Korea was elected to this seat as of 1 January 2015 and an agreement was reached whereby the Republic of Korea would stand down on 31 December 2015 and China would stand for the remainder of the term of office to 31 December 2017.

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Antigua and Barbuda	Guatemala	Portugal
Argentina	Guinea	Qatar
Armenia	Guinea-Bissau	Republic of Korea
Australia	Guyana	Republic of Moldova
Austria	Haiti	Romania
Azerbaijan	Honduras	Russian Federation
Bahamas	Hungary	Rwanda
Bahrain	Iceland	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Bangladesh	India	Saint Lucia
Barbados	Indonesia	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Belarus	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Samoa
Belgium	Iraq	San Marino
Belize	Ireland	Sao Tome and Principe
Benin	Israel	Saudi Arabia
Bhutan	Italy	Senegal
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	Jamaica	Serbia
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Japan	Seychelles
Botswana	Jordan	Sierra Leone
Brazil	Kazakhstan	Singapore
Brunei Darussalam	Kenya	Slovakia
Bulgaria	Kiribati	Slovenia
Burkina Faso	Kuwait	Solomon Islands
Burundi	Kyrgyzstan	Somalia
Cabo Verde	Lao People's Democratic Republic	South Africa
Cambodia	Latvia	South Sudan
Cameroon	Lebanon	Spain
Canada	Lesotho	Sri Lanka
Central African Republic	Liberia	Sudan
Chad	Libya	Suriname
Chile	Lithuania	Swaziland
China	Luxembourg	Sweden
Colombia	Madagascar	Switzerland
Comoros	Malawi	Syrian Arab Republic
Congo	Malaysia	Tajikistan
Cook Islands	Maldives	Thailand
Costa Rica	Mali	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Côte d'Ivoire	Malta	Timor-Leste
Croatia	Marshall Islands	Togo
Cuba	Mauritania	Tokelau
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Czech Republic	Mexico	Tonga
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Micronesia (Federated States of)	Trinidad and Tobago
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Monaco	Tunisia
Denmark	Mongolia	Turkey
Djibouti	Montenegro	Turkmenistan
Dominica	Morocco	Tuvalu
Dominican Republic	Mozambique	Uganda
Ecuador	Myanmar	Ukraine
Egypt	Namibia	United Arab Emirates
El Salvador	Nauru	United Kingdom
Equatorial Guinea	Nepal	United Republic of Tanzania
Eritrea	Netherlands	United States of America
Estonia	New Zealand	Uruguay
Ethiopia	Nicaragua	Uzbekistan
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Finland	Norway	Yemen
France	Oman	Zambia
Gabon	Pakistan	Zimbabwe
Gambia	Palau	
	Panama	

