REPORT
OF THE COUNCIL OF FAO

Hundred and Sixty-second Session
Rome, 1 July 2019
COUNCIL
(as from 1 July 2019)

Independent Chairperson of the Council: Mr Khalid Mehmood

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Introductory Items

1. The 162nd Session of the Council was held in Rome on 1 July 2019 under the chairmanship of Mr Khalid Mehboob, Independent Chairperson of the Council.

Adoption of the Agenda

2. The Council noted the Declaration of Competence and Voting Rights presented by the European Union and adopted the Agenda for the Session. The Agenda is given in Appendix A to this Report.

Election of three Vice-Chairpersons

3. The Council elected three Vice-Chairpersons for the Session: Mr Gunter Walkner (Austria); Ms María Cristina Boldorini (Argentina); Mr Abdul Malik Melvin Castelino Bin Anthony (Malaysia).

Election of Committees

Election of the Chairperson and Twelve Members of the Programme Committee

4. In conformity with the General Rules of the Organization, the Council elected the following to the Programme Committee for the period July 2019 – July 2021:

| Chairperson: | Mr Hans Hoogeveen | (Netherlands) |
| Members: | 
| Argentina | (Ms María Cristina Boldorini) |
| Canada | (Ms Jennifer Fellows) |
| Chile | (Ms Tamara Villanueva) |
| China | (Mr Ni Hongxing) |
| France | (Ms Delphine Borione) |
| Iran (Islamic Republic of) | (Mr Mohammad Hossein Emadi) |
| Jordan | (Mr Salah Yousef Ahmad Al-Tarawneh) |
| Malaysia | (Mr Muhammad Rudy Khairudin Mohd Nor) |
| Mali | (Ms Traore Kone) |
| New Zealand | (Mr Don Syme) |
| United Kingdom | (Ms Terri Sarch) |
| Zambia | (Mr Kayoya Masuhwa) |

Election of the Chairperson and Twelve Members of the Finance Committee

5. In conformity with the General Rules of the Organization, the Council elected the following to the Finance Committee for the period July 2019 – July 2021:5,6

| Chairperson: | Ms Imelda Smolcic | (Uruguay) |

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1 CL 162/1; CL 162/INF/1; CL 162/PV/1
2 CL 162/PV/1
3 CL 162/3; CL 162/LIM/1; CL 162/PV/1
4 CL 162/3; CL 162/LIM/2; CL 162/PV/1
5 Three Members (Canada, United Kingdom, United States of America) chose to dissociate from consensus on the election of Mr Vladimir Kuznetsov (Russian Federation) as a member of the Finance Committee; CL 162/PV/1
6 Two Members (China and Russian Federation) rebutted the disassociation of Canada, United Kingdom and United States of America of the election of Mr Vladimir Kuznetsov (Russian Federation); CL 162/PV/1
Members: Australia (Ms Lynda Hayden) 
Bangladesh (Mr Manash Mitra) 
Brazil (Mr Rodrigo Estrela de Carvalho) 
Egypt (Mr Haitham Abdelhady) 
Ethiopia (Mr Mitiku Tesso Jebessa) 
Germany (Mr Heiner Thofern) 
Japan (Mr Toru Hisazome) 
Mexico (Mr Benito Santiago Jiménez Sauma) 
Niger (Ms Rahila Rabiou Tahirou) 
Russian Federation (Mr Vladimir Kuznetsov) 
Sudan (Mr Sid Ahmed Alamain Hamid Alamain) 
United States of America (Mr Emily Katkar) 

**Election of the Chairperson and Seven Members of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters**

6. In conformity with the General Rules of the Organization, the Council elected the following to the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters for the period July 2019 – July 2021:

**Chairperson:** Ms Daniela Rotondaro (San Marino) 

**Members:** 
Fiji (Mr Esala Nasayi) 
Gabon (Mr Charles Essonghe) 
Jordan (Mr Ali Albsoul) 
Nicaragua (Ms Mónica Robelo Raffone) 
Philippines (Mr Theodore Andrei Bauzon) 
Spain (Mr Rafael Osorio de Rebellón) 
United States of America (Ms Emily Katkar) 

**Other Matters**

**Matters Arising out of the Conference Session**

7. The Council noted matters arising from the 41st Session of the Conference, and from the 162nd Session of the Council, which required furtherance. It noted that these would be reviewed by appropriate governing bodies, and/or would be considered at the forthcoming Informal Meeting of the Independent Chairperson of the Council with the Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons of the Regional Groups. Such matters include processes relating to governing bodies, such as voting procedures, working methods, and regional representation; as well as those related to agroecology, antimicrobial resistance, biodiversity, and establishment of corporate awards and prizes.

**Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO**

8. Presentations were made on the following topics:

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7 CL 162/3; CL 162/LIM/3; CL 162/PV/1  
8 CL 162/PV/1  
9 CL 162/INF/3; CL 162/PV/1
• United Nations Biodiversity Conference and Outcome of the 7th Session of the Plenary of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES);

• UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration;

• Outcomes of the Basel, Rotterdam, and Stockholm Conventions (BRS) Conference of the Parties (29 April – 10 May 2019), Geneva

**Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2019-20**

9. The Council noted the Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions for 2019 and the Provisional Calendar for 2020, as set out in *Appendix C* to this Report.

**Provisional Agenda for the 163rd Session of the Council (2-6 December 2019)**

10. The Council reviewed the draft Provisional Agenda for its 163rd Session.

11. The Council took note of the request for the topic of Rome-based Agencies collaboration to be considered by the 163rd Session of the Council.

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10 CL 162/2; CL 162/PV/1
11 CL 162/INF/2; CL 162/PV/1
Appendix A

Agenda for the 162nd Session of the Council

Introductory Items
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CL 162/3  Membership of the Programme Committee, Finance Committee and Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters

CL 162 INF Series

CL 162/INF/1  Statement of Competence and Voting Rights submitted by the European Union and its Member States
CL 162/INF/2  Provisional Agenda for the 163rd Session of the Council (December 2019)
CL 162/INF/3  Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO
CL 162/INF/4  Note on the Methods of Work of the Council

CL 162 LIM Series

CL 162/LIM/1  Election of the Chairperson and Members of the Programme Committee
CL 162/LIM/2  Election of the Chairperson and Members of the Finance Committee
CL 162/LIM/3  Election of the Chairperson and Members of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters
### Appendix C

Calendar of FAO/IFAD/WFP Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2019-20

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Orthodox Easter: 28 April 2019
Ramadan: 6 May – 4 June 2019
Eid Al-Fitr: 5 June 2019
Eid Al-Adha: 12 August 2019

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

Easter: 12 April 2020
Orthodox Easter: 19 April 2020
Ramadan: 24 April – 23 May 2020
Eid Al-Fitr: 24 May 2020
Eid Al-Adha: 31 July 2020
PROGRAMME COMMITTEE
(July 2019 - July 2021)

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(Uruguay)

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Egypt (Mr Haitham Abdelhady)
Ethiopia (Mr Mitiku Tessejebeessa)
Germany (Mr Heiner Thofern)
Japan (Mr Toru Hisazome)
Mexico (Mr Benito Santiago Jiménez Sauma)
Niger (Ms Rahla Rabhou Tahirou)
Sudan (Mr Sidd Ahmed Almain Hamid Almain)
United States of America (Ms Emily Katkar)

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL MATTERS
(July 2019 - July 2021)

Chairperson
Ms Daniela Rotondaro
(San Marino)

Members
Fiji (Ms Esala Nasayi)
Gabon (Mr Charles Essonghe)
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WFP EXECUTIVE BOARD 2019

Term of office expiring

Elected by FAO Council
Elected by ECOSOC

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Angola (A) 1
Argentina (C)
Canada (D)
Congo (A)
Germany (D)
Pakistan (B)

Egypt (A)
Luxembourg (D) 1
Saud Arabia (B)
Spain (D) 1
Sudan (A)

31 December 2020
Algeria (A)
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Brazil (C)
Equatorial Guinea (A) 1
Ireland (D)
Poland (E)

China (B)
Guatemala (C)
Hungary (E)
Japan (D)
Lesotho (A)
United Kingdom (D)

31 December 2021
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Kuwait (B) 1
Mexico (C) 2
Netherlands (D)
Nigeria (A) 8
United States of America (D)

Burkina Faso (A)
Iran (Islamic Republic of) (B)
Republic of Korea (B)
Sweden (D)
Switzerland (D)
Russian Federation (E)

1 Angola and Zimbabwe reached an agreement to share an FAO Council-elected seat, with Zimbabwe serving in 2017 and 2018, and Angola serving in 2019.
2 Colombia and Mexico reached an agreement to share an ECOSOC-elected seat, with Mexico serving in 2017 and Colombia serving in 2018 and 2019.
3 Greece and Norway resigned their seats effective 31 December 2018 and Luxembourg and Spain will complete their respective terms of office from 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019.
4 Rotating seat occupied by a country of List A (2018-2020) held by Equatorial Guinea.
5 Afghanistan and India reached an agreement to share an FAO Council-elected seat, with Afghanistan serving in 2019 and India serving in 2020 and 2021.
6 Kuwait and Afghanistan reached an agreement to share an FAO Council-elected seat, with Kuwait serving in 2019 and 2020 and Afghanistan serving in 2021.
7 Mexico and Peru reached an agreement to share an FAO Council elected seat, with Mexico serving in 2019 and Peru serving in 2020 and 2021.
8 Côte d’Ivoire and Nigeria reached an agreement to share an FAO Council-elected seat, with Nigeria serving in 2019 and Côte d’Ivoire serving in 2020 and 2021.
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