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**APPLICATIONS FROM INTERNATIONAL NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS
FOR OBSERVER STATUS WITH CODEX**

(Prepared by the Codex Secretariat in collaboration with FAO)

1. Following the presentation of the document *Applications from International Non-Governmental Organizations For Observer Status with Codex*¹ and the subsequent discussion regarding the interpretation of the FAO's *Strategy for Private Sector Engagement (2021-2025)* on the application process, CCEXEC82 requested the Codex Secretary and FAO to clarify this issue as soon as possible.
2. After extensive consultations, FAO advised the Codex Secretariat to continue to apply the existing rules established in the Procedural Manual (PM) and the relevant texts of FAO and WHO, noting at the same time that broader discussions on Observer Status in FAO governing bodies and other statutory bodies were still ongoing between FAO and its Members.
3. Applications received during this period would therefore be presented at the next session of CCEXEC (CCEXEC84). The Codex Secretariat will keep CCEXEC informed of developments.

¹ CX/EXEC 22/82/6