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AGENDA NOTES

1. The Thirty-fifth Session of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS) will open at 9.30 hours on Wednesday, 14 October 2009, at FAO headquarters. Provision has been made for the Session to continue up to Saturday, 17 October 2009 for the approval of the final report, with a one day interruption on 16 October on the occasion of World Food Day.

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II. REFORM OF CFS

2. Under this item the Committee will consider a discussion document with proposals to Reform CFS developed by the CFS Bureau assisted by the Contact Group. It is anticipated that the outcome of this session will include clear recommendations to strengthen CFS that will be submitted to the FAO Conference in November for possible endorsement.

3. Various timetables, procedures and formats have been attempted to monitor the implementation of the World Food Summit Plan of Action through the CFS. All have experienced a number of difficulties. How to monitor and report on progress towards eliminating hunger and food insecurity is being examined within the context of CFS reform and will be addressed in the reform document to be considered by the 35th Session of CFS. The outcome should include a decision by the Committee regarding the role of the “new CFS” in monitoring and reporting as well as whether or not reports will be submitted in 2010, and if so, what form they will take.

III. FINANCIAL CRISIS AND IMPACT ON FOOD SECURITY

4. This session will include a brief presentation of the highlights from SOFI (2009) possibly followed by a facilitated discussion on the key issues in a multi-stakeholder type forum (similar to the Special Event that was held during the 34th Session on “High Prices and Food Security: Issues and Policy Responses”). The expected result is key policy recommendations relevant to all partners to address the impact of the financial crisis on food security.

IV. FOLLOW-UP TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON AGRARIAN REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (ICARRD)

5. The Committee will consider an analytical document which highlights the importance of secure access to land and other natural resources for alleviating poverty and hunger, the broad challenges currently facing tenure reform, and outlines FAO actions in this regard, especially regarding the development of voluntary guidelines on tenure reform. This session will include a brief overview of the document, followed by a discussion on the key issues raised. The outcome of the session will include recommendations that CFS may wish to endorse to strengthen support for tenure reform.

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