

Chair's Aide-Mémoire

Meeting of the Conference Committee for IEE Follow-up (CoC-IEE)

Friday 5 June 2009

Mohammad Saeid Noori-Naeini, Chair

Review and adoption of the Report of the CoC-IEE on amendments to Basic Texts for the implementation of the Immediate Plan of Action

1. Members noted that the draft *Report of the CoC-IEE on amendments to Basic Texts for the implementation of the Immediate Plan of Action* (IPA) was structured in accordance with the agreed format and included two parts: (i) the main body of the Report (www.fao.org/uploads/media/DraftBasicTextsReportEnglish.pdf), containing the proposed amendments recommended by the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (CCLM) at its 84th, 85th and 86th sessions in February and May 2009; and (ii) an addendum (www.fao.org/uploads/media/AddendumBTCOCReportK5137AddIE.pdf) comprising further proposed amendments subsequently recommended by the CCLM at its 87th session (25-26 May 2009). Members also noted that the two pieces will be consolidated in the final Report, which should include additional proposed amendments on outstanding matters (*Ethics Committee* and *Statutory Bodies, conventions, treaties, Codex*) expected to be examined by the CCLM in September 2009.
2. The CoC-IEE, acknowledging with appreciation the intensive work carried out by the CCLM, and satisfied that the recommended amendments to the Basic Texts were in line with the IPA, as also recognized by Working Group II at its 24 March, 21 May and 3 June meetings, endorsed the draft *Report of the CoC-IEE on amendments to Basic Texts for the implementation of the Immediate Plan of Action*, on the understanding that:
 - the proposed amendments to the Charter for the Office of Evaluation are not yet final: the Charter will be further reviewed by the Programme Committee in July and submitted to the Council for approval in September. Thus the ultimate recommended text of the Charter will be contained in the final version of the Report of the CoC-IEE;
 - the proposed amendments regarding the reform of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS), endorsed by the CCLM at its 87th session at the request of a Member Nation, whereby the CFS shall assist the Conference and report to it, were not specifically called for in the IPA. Therefore they will not be included in the *Report of CoC-IEE on amendments to Basic Texts for the Implementation of the IPA*. Accordingly, they will be removed from the addendum to the Report¹.
3. One Member suggested that adjustments be made to a few recommended amendments to the Basic Texts. The proposed adjustments will be submitted to the CCLM for consideration at its forthcoming session in September 2009.

¹ Specifically, the parts to be removed from the addendum are:

- paragraph 12, under the heading: Committee on World Food Security;
- from the Appendix: under the heading A. Amendments to the Constitution, the proposed amendments regarding the Committee on World Food Security.

Annex

Agenda for the meeting

1. Chair's introduction
2. Review and adoption of the CoC-IEE Report on amendments to Basic Texts