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Security Expenditure Facility – Amendments to Financial Regulations

(Extract from the Report of the Hundred and Twenty-ninth Council Session)

(November 2005)¹

1. The Council endorsed the following draft Resolution, including the new Financial Regulation 6.12, and transmitted it to the Conference for consideration and adoption.

THE CONFERENCE,

Recalling, the Director-General's proposal to establish a Security Expenditure Facility grouping in a new Chapter of the Programme of Work and Budget expenditures directly related to headquarters and field security in FAO, as a means of strengthening the existing financial framework for planning, monitoring and accountability for improved security of staff and assets of the Organization;

Noting in particular, that the Finance Committee, at its Hundred-and-ninth Session (Rome, 9-13 May 2005), recognised the need for consolidated and comprehensive coverage for security costs within a single budgetary provision and for financial flexibility through a funding mechanism which could be supplemented by voluntary contributions, and supported the Director-General's proposal to establish a Security Expenditure Facility as a means of grouping all staff and non-staff costs directly related to headquarters and field security in a new Chapter 9 of the Programme of Work and Budget;

¹ CL 129/5; CL 129/PV4

Noting further the deliberations of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees of 11 May 2005 concerning the proposal for the creation of an additional Chapter 9 to the Programme of Work and Budget and the establishment of a Security Expenditure Facility;

Recalling that the Council, at its Hundred and Twenty-eighth Session (Rome, 20-25 June 2005), concurred with the creation of an additional Chapter 9 to the Programme of Work and Budget and the establishment of a Security Expenditure Facility;

Considering that the Finance Committee, at its Hundred and Tenth Session (Rome, 19-23 September 2005) and Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters, at its Seventy-ninth Session (Rome, 11-12 October 2005), reviewed the proposed amendments to Financial Regulation VI;

Noting that the Council, at its Hundred and Twenty-ninth Session (Rome, 16-18 November 2005), agreed to transmit to the Conference, for approval, the proposed amendments to Financial Regulation VI;

Decides:

- a. to establish a Security Expenditure Facility consisting of a separate budgetary Chapter and a Security Account;
 - b. to designate Chapter 9 of the Programme of Work and Budget for the purposes of defining and authorising security expenditures, including staff and non-staff security provisions and expenditures at headquarters and in the field to ensure the Organization's compliance with United Nations security policies;
 - c. to establish a Security Account through the following addition of Financial Regulation 6.12 to the Financial Regulations of the Organization:
- 6.12. There shall be established:
- (a) a Security Account, which shall be used for the purpose of managing activities which involve security expenditure defined as being:
 - (i) expenditures on headquarters security provisions;
 - (ii) expenditures on field security provisions to ensure in particular the Organization's participation in the UN security management system and compliance with its provisions for field security;
 - (b) the sources of funds shall be:
 - (i) Regular Programme Appropriations approved by the Conference;
 - (ii) voluntary contributions;
 - (c) expenditures of a capital nature, defined as expenditures with a useful life in excess of FAO's financial period of two years that also meet the definition of security expenditures as per sub-paragraph (a) above, shall be funded from the Security Account;
 - (d) the balance of funds in Chapter 9 of the budget at the end of each financial period shall be transferred to the Security Account for use in a subsequent financial period.