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Item 2 of the Provisional Agenda

COMMISSION ON GENETIC RESOURCES FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

WORKING GROUP ON ANIMAL GENETIC RESOURCES FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

Third Session

Rome, 31 March to 2 April 2004

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA AND TIMETABLE

1. Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair(s)

In accordance with its statutes, "the Working Group shall elect its Chairperson and one or more Vice-Chairpersons from among the representatives of Members of the Working Group at the beginning of each session. These officers shall remain in office until the next session of the Working Group and shall be eligible for re-election".

Appointment of the *Rapporteur*

The Working Group may also wish to appoint a *Rapporteur*.

2. Adoption of the agenda and timetable

A provisional agenda and timetable is in *Appendix 1* to the present document, for consideration by the Working Group.

3. Review of the progress in the preparation of the first *Report on the State of the World's Animal Genetic Resources*

At its Eighth Session, the Commission agreed that FAO should “coordinate the development of a country-driven *Report on the State of the World's Animal Genetic Resources*. During its Ninth Session, the Commission accepted the process for preparing the first *Report on the State of the World's Animal Genetic Resources*, on the basis of Country Reports, which should be used to develop the *Report on Strategic Priorities for Action*. The Commission emphasized the need to complete the first *Report on the State of the World's Animal Genetic Resources* by 2006. The Commission also stressed the need to involve relevant international organizations and non-government organizations in the preparation of the first *Report*.

The Commission considered the possibility of completing the process for the development of the first *Report on the State of the World's Animal Genetic Resources* at a first international technical conference on animal genetic resources, and decided to keep this possibility under review for a decision later on. It agreed that the Intergovernmental Technical Working Group on Animal Genetic Resources should meet to continue guiding the *Report on the State of the World's Animal Genetic Resources*.

Document CGRFA/WG-AnGR-3/04/2 describes in detail the progress that has been made to prepare the first *Report on the State of the World's Animal Genetic Resources*, for the consideration of the Working Group. Significant redeployment of Regular Programme resources has occurred in order to support the process, and the extrabudgetary funds that are required to complete the process are indicated.

Document CGRFA/WG-AnGR-3/04/2 Add. 1 presents a draft outline of the of the *Report on the State of the World's Animal Genetic* and the *Report on Strategic Priorities for Action* for consideration by the Working Group. The *Report on Strategic Priorities for Action* is intended to present preliminary findings to the Commission, prior to the Completion of the first *Report on the State of the World's Animal Genetic Resources* in 2006.

The Working Group may wish to make recommendations on the revised process and timetable for completing the preparation of the *Report on the State of the World's Animal Genetic*, including the convening of a first intergovernmental conference on animal genetic resources to conclude the process. It may also wish to make suggestions to improve the outline for the first *Report* as well as outline for the *Report on Strategic Priorities for Action*. In the light of the detailed analysis of extrabudgetary needs, without which this process cannot be completed, the Working Group may wish to give guidance on the possible mobilization of these funds.

4. Review of activities, and progress in the implementation of the Global Strategy for the Management of Farm Animal Genetic Resources

At its Eighth Session, in April 1999, the Commission agreed that the Working Group should review activities and progress in the implementation of the Global Strategy for the Management of Farm Animal Genetic Resources. At its Ninth Regular Session, the Commission agreed that the Working Group should continue guiding the further development of the Global Strategy for the Management of Farm Animal Genetic Resources. It agreed that there was an urgent need for action, including training, technical support and research, to assist developing countries and countries with economies in transition to conserve their animal genetic resources, and better use these resources to enhance agricultural production and productivity.

Document CGRFA/WG-AnGR-3/04/3 reports on progress in developing and implementing the constituents of the Global Strategy. The Working Group may wish to review in detail progress in these activities with a view to recommending priorities to the Commission. Several areas for development are suggested for consideration by the Working Group, including establishment of regional focal points; advancement of a decision support tool to assist developing countries

enhance their capacity to achieve sustainable intensification; further development of DAD-IS; establishment of a monitoring system for animal genetic resources, and a review of barriers to the use of available biotechnologies by developing countries for the use, development and conservation of animal genetic resources.

The Working Group may wish to make recommendations to the Commission on priority actions required during the 2004/2005 and 2006/2007 biennia, and on the tasks that the Working Group could undertake for the Commission.

5. **Other business**

6. **Adoption of the Report of the Working Group**

APPENDIX 1

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

Date & Time	Agenda Item No.	Title	Working Documents
Wednesday, 31 March 2004			
14:30-14:40	1.	Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair(s), and election of the <i>Rapporteur</i>	
14:40-15:00	2.	Adoption of the agenda and timetable	CGRFA/WG-AnGR- 3/04/1 Add. 1
15:00-17:30	3.	Review of progress in the preparation of the first <i>Report on the State of the World's Animal Genetic Resources</i>	CGRFA/WG-AnGR- 3/04/2
Thursday, 1 April 2004			
09:00-12:30		Review of progress in the preparation of the first <i>Report on the State of the World's Animal Genetic Resources</i>	CGRFA/WG-AnGR- 4/04/2 Add. 1 <i>continued</i>
14:30-17:30	4.	Review of activities, and progress in the implementation of the Global Strategy for the Management of Farm Animal Genetic Resources	CGRFA/WG-AnGR- 4/04/3
	5.	Other business	
Friday, 2 April 2004			
09:30-12:30		Side events	
14:30-17:30	6.	Adoption of the Report of the Working Group	