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CONFERENCE

Thirty-fourth Session

Rome, 17 - 24 November 2007

ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

1. Rule XXII of the General Rules of the Organization (GRO) sets out the provisions for the nomination and election of Member Nations to the FAO Council.
2. The term of office of Council Members is for three years.
3. The Council has forty-nine seats, of which sixteen fall vacant in each of two successive calendar years and seventeen in the third calendar year.
4. The seats to be filled at the Thirty-fourth Session of the Conference comprise 17 which fall vacant at the conclusion of that Session and 16 which fall vacant on 31 December 2008.

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5. The present composition of the Council is listed below and the seats in the first two columns will come up for election as indicated in (a) and (b).

Seats falling vacant at
conclusion of Thirty-fourth
Conference Session,
November 2007

Algeria
Bolivia
Brazil
Cameroon
Canada
Cape Verde
Cuba
Eritrea
Mali
Malta
Mexico
Netherlands
Oman
Slovenia
Trinidad and Tobago
United Arab Emirates
United States of America

Seats falling vacant on
31 December 2008

Australia
Côte d'Ivoire
Egypt
El Salvador
France
India
Indonesia
Italy
Lebanon
Madagascar
Nigeria
Pakistan
Saudi Arabia
Sweden
United Kingdom
Zambia

Seats falling vacant at
conclusion of Thirty-fifth
Conference Session,
November 2009

Bangladesh
Chile
China
Ethiopia
Gabon
Germany
Iran (Islamic Republic of)
Japan
Malaysia
Moldova
Panama
Republic of Korea
South Africa
Thailand
Ukraine
Uruguay

- a) For the period November 2007 to 31 December 2010 the distribution of the 17 seats to be filled by region is given below along with the Member Nations which have occupied those seats:

Region	Country occupying seat
Africa (5)	Algeria, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Eritrea, Mali
Asia (0)	
Europe (3)	Malta, Netherlands, Slovenia
Latin America and the Caribbean (5)	Bolivia, Brazil, Cuba, Mexico, Trinidad and Tobago
Near East (2)	Oman, United Arab Emirates
North America (2)	Canada, United States of America
Southwest Pacific (0)	

- b) For the period 1 January 2009 to November 2011 the distribution of the 16 seats to be filled by region is given below along with the Member Nations which have occupied those seats:

Region	Country occupying seat
Africa (4)	Côte d'Ivoire, Madagascar, Nigeria, Zambia
Asia (3)	India, Indonesia, Pakistan
Europe (4)	France, Italy, Sweden, United Kingdom
Latin America and the Caribbean (1)	El Salvador
Near East (3)	Egypt, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia
North America (0)	
Southwest Pacific (1)	Australia

6. Under the terms of Rule XXII-10 GRO, each nomination for election to a seat on the Council must be made in writing and supported by the delegates of two Member Nations other than the delegate of the Member Nation nominated, and the nomination must be for a specific region. Rule XXII-10(a) GRO specifies that the Conference, as soon as possible after the opening of its session and in any case before the end of the third day of the session, i.e. Monday, 19 November 2007 shall, on the recommendation of its General Committee, "decide the date of the election and the date by which nominations for election to the Council must be submitted". The procedure to be followed in submitting these nominations is outlined in Rule XXII-10(b) and (c) GRO. Rule XXII-10(d) GRO further specifies that the General Committee shall communicate the valid nominations received to the Conference at least three working days before the date selected for the election.

7. The Hundred and Thirty-second Session of the Council (June 2007) recommended that the Conference set Friday, 23 November 2007 as the date for the election, with 12.00 hours on Saturday, 17 November 2007 as the deadline by which nominations should be submitted.

8. The distribution of FAO Member Nations by region for Council election purposes at the time of going to print, is given in Appendix A.

9. A nomination form is given in Appendix B.

Appendix A**FAO MEMBER NATIONS BY REGION FOR COUNCIL ELECTION PURPOSES****I. AFRICA**

(Member Nations: 48 - Council seats: 12)

Algeria	Ethiopia	Niger
Angola	Gabon	Nigeria
Benin	Gambia	Rwanda
Botswana	Ghana	Sao Tome and Principe
Burkina Faso	Guinea	Senegal
Burundi	Guinea-Bissau	Seychelles
Cameroon	Kenya	Sierra Leone
Cape Verde	Lesotho	South Africa
Central African Republic	Liberia	Swaziland
Chad	Madagascar	Togo
Comoros	Malawi	Tunisia
Congo	Mali	Uganda
Côte D'ivoire	Mauritania	United Republic of Tanzania
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Mauritius	Zambia
Equatorial Guinea	Morocco	Zimbabwe
Eritrea	Mozambique	
	Namibia	

II. ASIA

(Member Nations: 23 - Council seats: 9)

Bangladesh	Kazakhstan	Philippines
Bhutan	Lao People's	Republic of Korea
Cambodia	Democratic Republic	Sri Lanka
China	Malaysia	Thailand
Democratic People's	Maldives	Timor-Leste
Republic of Korea	Mongolia	Uzbekistan
India	Myanmar	Viet Nam
Indonesia	Nepal	
Japan	Pakistan	

III. EUROPE

(Member Nations: 46 - Council seats: 10)

Albania	Georgia	Poland
Armenia	Germany	Portugal
Austria	Greece	Romania
Azerbaijan	Hungary	Russian Federation ¹
Belarus	Iceland	San Marino
Belgium	Ireland	Serbia
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Israel	Slovakia
Bulgaria	Italy	Slovenia
Croatia	Latvia	Spain
Cyprus	Lithuania	Sweden
Czech Republic	Luxembourg	Switzerland
Denmark	Malta	The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Estonia	Moldova	Turkey
Finland	Monaco	Ukraine
France	Netherlands	United Kingdom
	Norway	

Applicant Members: Principality of Andorra, Republic of Montenegro

Member Organization: European Community

IV. LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

(Member Nations: 33 - Council seats: 9)

Antigua and Barbuda	Dominican Republic	Paraguay
Argentina	Ecuador	Peru
Bahamas	El Salvador	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Barbados	Grenada	Saint Lucia
Belize	Guatemala	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Bolivia	Guyana	Suriname
Brazil	Haiti	Trinidad And Tobago
Chile	Honduras	Uruguay
Colombia	Jamaica	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
Costa Rica	Mexico	
Cuba	Nicaragua	
Dominica	Panama	

¹ Subject to confirmation by the 34th Session of the FAO Conference.

V. NEAR EAST

(Member Nations: 21 - Council seats: 6)

Afghanistan	Kuwait	Somalia
Bahrain	Kyrgyzstan	Sudan
Djibouti	Lebanon	Syrian Arab Republic
Egypt	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	Tajikistan
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Oman	Turkmenistan
Iraq	Qatar	United Arab Emirates
Jordan	Saudi Arabia	Yemen

VI. NORTH AMERICA

(Member Nations: 2 - Council seats: 2)

Canada
United States of America

VII. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

(Member Nations: 16 - Council seats: 1)

Australia
Cook Islands
Fiji
Kiribati
Marshall Islands
Micronesia (Federated States of)
Nauru
New Zealand
Niue
Palau
Papua New Guinea
Samoa
Solomon Islands
Tonga
Tuvalu
Vanuatu

Appendix B**NOMINATION FORM FOR COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

(To be submitted by 12.00 hours on Saturday, 17 November 2007)

Date:

To: Secretary-General of the Conference and Council
Room B202
Via delle Terme di Caracalla
00153 Rome

The Delegate of and the Delegate of

(Signature)..... (Signature)

wish to nominate

for election to a seat on the Council for the Region of
for the following term of office:

- a) November 2007 - 31 December 2010*
- b) 1 January 2009 – November 2011*

The Delegate of accepts this nomination.

* Delete if not applicable. Candidates who are unsuccessful in the election to fill the vacancy or vacancies occurring in the first calendar year shall be included among the candidates for election to the vacancy or vacancies occurring at the end of the second calendar year, except where they voluntarily withdraw.

RULE XXII-10 OF THE GENERAL RULES OF THE ORGANIZATION

10. (a) As soon as possible after the opening of the Conference session, and in any case before the end of the third day of the session, the Conference, on the recommendation of its General Committee, shall decide the date of the election and the date by which nominations for election to the Council must be submitted, in accordance with subparagraph (c) below.
- (b) Each nomination shall be made for a specific region as determined by the Conference, indicating the term of office to which it applies, subject to the provisions of subparagraph (g) of this paragraph. No nomination shall be made for a term that includes a period for which the Member Nation concerned is already in office.
- (c) Each nomination shall be supported, in writing, by the delegates of two Member Nations to the Conference other than the delegate of the Member Nation nominated and shall be accompanied by a formal written acceptance of the nomination by the delegate of the Member Nation nominated. Any nomination reaching the Secretary-General of the Conference and Council after the date and time determined by the Conference for the submission of nominations shall not be valid.
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- (g) The election of Council Members shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 9 (b) and 12 of Rule XII, one election being held to fill simultaneously all the vacancies occurring in each region in each of the calendar years referred to in paragraph 1 of this Rule. Should the number of Member Nations standing for election in a particular region be equal to the total number of vacancies occurring in both calendar years, one election may be held to fill simultaneously all these vacancies, and the allocation of candidates to the vacancies occurring in each year may be settled, where necessary, by mutual agreement or by the Conference by such methods as it may decide to adopt. Candidates who are unsuccessful in the election to fill the vacancy or vacancies occurring in the first calendar year shall be included among the candidates for election to the vacancy or vacancies occurring at the end of the second calendar year, except where they voluntarily withdraw.