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COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL MATTERS

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BASIC TEXTS REGARDING THE REFORM OF THE COMMITTEE ON WORLD FOOD SECURITY

RESOLUTION /2009, REFORM OF THE COMMITTEE ON WORLD FOOD SECURITY AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

THE CONFERENCE:

Recalling the proposed constitutional amendments submitted by France to the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (CCLM) and to the Council of the Organization at its Hundred and Thirty-sixth Session, held in Rome, from 15 to 19 June 2009, as contained in document CL 136/LIM/2;

Noting that the Council, at its Hundred and Thirty-sixth Session, took note of the proposed constitutional amendments and mandated the Contact Group of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS) to further discuss these amendments and advise, through the CCLM, the Conference in November to take a decision on the said amendments, in light of the outcome of the discussions of the Contact Group of the CFS;

Noting further that the Director-General gave notice of the proposed amendments to FAO Members in accordance with Article XX, paragraph 4 of the Constitution;

Recalling that the Committee on World Food Security (CFS), at its Thirty-fifth session, held in Rome from 14 to 17 October 2009, approved document CFS 2009/2 rev. 1 “*Reform of the Committee on World Food Security*”;

Recalling also that the CCLM, at its Eighty-ninth session, has reviewed again the proposed amendments to the Constitution in the light of document CFS 2009/2 rev. 1 “*Reform of the Committee on World Food Security*” and the proposed amendments to other Basic Texts of the Organization regarding the status of the CFS and decided to forward the proposed amendments for approval by the Conference, at its Thirty-sixth session to be held in Rome from 18 to 23 November 2009;

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Having considered the text of the amendments to the Constitution proposed by the CCLM in its Eighty-ninth Session;

Having considered further that there is a need to harmonize the proposed amendments to the Constitution for the reform of the CFS with the proposed amendments to the Constitution for the implementation of Resolution 1/2008 “*Adoption of the Immediate Plan of Action (IPA) for FAO Renewal (2009-11)*” and that this task strictly of an editorial nature should be performed by the Secretariat;

1. Decides to adopt the following amendments to the Constitution¹:

“Article III

The Conference

(...)

9. The Conference shall be assisted by a Committee on World Food Security. This Committee shall report to the Conference and to the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA), through the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and the Conference. Its composition and terms of reference shall be governed by rules adopted by the Conference.”

2. Decides to entrust the Secretariat with any tasks of an editorial nature related to the adoption of this amendment and, in particular, the deletion from new Article V, paragraph 6 (b) of the Constitution of the reference to the Committee on World Food Security, which had been proposed in the context of the process for the implementation of the Immediate Plan of Action (IPA) for FAO Renewal (2009-11).

(Adopted on November 2009)

¹ Deletions are indicated using ~~struck out text~~ and insertions are indicated using *underlined italics*.