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# COUNCIL

## Hundred and Sixtieth Session

Rome, 3–7 December 2018

### Status of Implementation of Decisions taken at the 159<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council (4–8 June 2018)

#### Executive Summary

The following table lists decisions taken by Council at its 159<sup>th</sup> Session (4–8 June 2018) and includes a reference to: (i) the relevant paragraph(s) of the Council Report; and (ii) the status of implementation of each decision.

#### Suggested action by the Council

The Council is invited to take note of the information presented in this document.

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STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF DECISIONS TAKEN AT THE 159 <sup>th</sup> SESSION OF THE COUNCIL (4–8 June 2018)	Status of Implementation			C O M M E N T S
	Completed	Ongoing	Not Yet Started	
PROGRAMME OF WORK AND BUDGET				
Programme Implementation Report 2016-17 ----- <i>Reporting Officer: Beth Crawford</i>				
1. The Council (...) <u>encouraged</u> continued progress in achieving equitable geographical representation of staff, and gender parity at professional and senior levels and <u>requested</u> the Secretariat to provide more detailed information on these issues to Members (para 6 f)		X		Submitted to the Finance Committee in November 2018 (FC 173/8; FC 173/10; FC 173/10 Add.1) and to the 160 <sup>th</sup> session of the Council (CL 160/4 Add.1).
2. The Council (...) <u>requested</u> an annual progress report on the funding and activities of the Special Fund for Development Finance Activities (SFDFA) (para 6 h)		X		Progress report to be submitted to the Finance Committee in March 2019.
3. The Council <u>endorsed</u> the Programme Implementation Report 2016-17 and <u>recommended</u> that it be submitted to the Conference in June 2019 for approval (para 7)	X			To be submitted to the Conference in June 2019 for approval.

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REGIONAL CONFERENCES ----- <i>Reporting Officer: Cristina Amaral</i>				
4. The Council also took note of the proposal by Chile for an International Year of Fruits and Vegetables, as endorsed by the 35 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean, as well as the information provided by Estonia to the 31st Session of the Regional Conference for Europe regarding an International Year of Rye, and <u>looked forward</u> to further information in this regard (para 9)	X			Information documents on the two draft proposals, together with the draft resolutions, submitted to the 160 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Council for consideration.
REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL  Report of the Joint Meeting of the 124 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Programme Committee and 170 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Finance Committee (May 2018) ----- <i>Reporting Officer: Rakesh Muthoo</i>				
5. The Council (...) proposal for a high-level event at World Food Day and noted the Concept Note (CL 159/INF/7) setting out detailed information on this event and <u>looked forward</u> to discussing it (para 11)	X			16 October 2018 – World Food Day. 20 September 2018 - Informal Seminar for Permanent Representatives on preparations for the High-level event.

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Report of the 124 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Programme Committee (21-25 May 2018) ----- Reporting Officer: Agustin Zimmermann				
6. The Council (...) <u>welcomed</u> Management’s agreement to pilot joint CPFs with IFAD and WFP and <u>requested</u> a progress update for the next informal joint meeting of the Members of the FAO Council, WFP Executive Board and IFAD Executive Board (para 12 g)			X	To be discussed at future meetings of the Senior Consultative Group.
7. The Council (...) <u>called upon</u> FAO to actively participate in the implementation of the UN development system reform, as guided by the UN General Assembly Resolution 72/279 and <u>encouraged</u> periodical updates (para 12 i)		X		Submitted to the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees in November 2018 (JM 2018.2/3). Discussed at the informal joint meeting of the RBA Principals with the Members of the FAO Council, IFAD Executive Board and WFP Executive Board on 14 September 2018.

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Reports of the 170 <sup>th</sup> (21-25 May 2018) and 171 <sup>st</sup> (29-31 May 2018) Sessions of the Finance Committee ----- <i>Reporting Officer: David McSherry</i>				
8. The Council (...) <u>requested</u> the Secretariat to present a progress report to the next session of the Council on the ongoing efforts to improve the geographic distribution of consultants (para 13 h)		X		Submitted to the Finance Committee in November 2018 (FC 173/9).
9. The Council (...) requested the Director-General to present to the next Council session a detailed action plan on the achievement of equitable geographic distribution and gender parity of FAO staff (para 14)		X		Submitted to the Finance Committee in November 2018 (FC 173/10; FC 173/10 Add.1) and to the 160 <sup>th</sup> session of the Council (CL 160/4 Add.1).

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Report of the 106 <sup>th</sup> Sessions of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (12-14 March 2018)				
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Reporting Officer: Antonio Tavares				
10. The Council (...) noted the Secretariat’s observations on transition between outgoing and incoming administrations and <u>asked</u> that a document on this issue be produced well in time to allow sufficient consultation (para 16 d)				A document was submitted to 107 <sup>th</sup> session of the CCLM in October 2018.
11. Regarding the consultation on selection procedures for the appointment of Secretaries of Article XIV Bodies, the Council (...) <u>urged</u> the ICC to continue these consultations with a view of finding a proposal that is acceptable to the Article XIV Bodies, taking on board their suggestions made during consultations (para 23 b)		X		The CCLM reviewed the matter at its 107 <sup>th</sup> Session in October 2018. The Independent Chairperson of the Council will report back to the 160 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Council on the outcome of the consultations.

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Corporate Policy, Processes and Measures on the Prevention of Harassment, Sexual Harassment and Authority Abuse ----- Reporting Officer: <i>Fernando Servan</i>				
12. The Council (...) <u>requested</u> the Organization to conduct among its staff and personnel an independent and anonymous staff satisfaction survey, in line with other UN agencies, including IFAD and WFP (para 24 f)	X			Survey outcomes to be compiled on completion of the survey.
13. The Council (...) <u>called on</u> the Organization to strengthen its Action Plan and submit it to the next Council in December 2018, and to provide annual reporting implementation in line with UN Secretary-General’s commitment to zero-tolerance (para 24 h)		X		Submitted to the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees in November 2018 (CL 160/9) and to the 160 <sup>th</sup> session of the Council (CL 160/9; CL 160/9 Add.1).



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REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL				
Report of the 122 <sup>nd</sup> (6-10 November 2017) and 123 <sup>rd</sup> Session (21 November 2017) Sessions of the Programme Committee ----- Reporting Officer: Agustin Zimmermann				
14. The Council (...) <u>looked forward</u> to a follow-up report at a future session on progress in implementing the recommendations of the Independent Evaluation of FAO’s evaluation function (para 11 i)	X			Submitted to the November 2018 session of the Programme Committee (PC 125/4).
Reports of the 167 <sup>th</sup> (29-31 May 2017), the 168 <sup>th</sup> (2-3 November 2017) and 169 <sup>th</sup> (6-10-November 2017) Sessions of the Finance Committee ----- Reporting Officer: David McSherry				
15. The Council (...) <u>looked forward</u> to the Secretariat reporting completion of the two outstanding recommendations contained in the Joint Inspection Report (JIU) on Fraud Prevention, Detection and Response in United Nations System Organizations and noted that this matter would be addressed at the November 2018 session of the Finance Committee (para 12 e)	X			Submitted to the Finance Committee in November 2018 (FC 173/15).
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OTHER MATTERS				

**Progress Report on Rome-based Agencies collaboration**

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***Reporting Officer: Mario Lubetkin***

16. The Council (...) <u>looked forward</u> to further progress reports containing analytical assessment of ongoing initiatives and lessons learned, as well as proposals for the next steps (para 16 h)		X		Submitted to Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees in November 2018 (JM 2018.2/2).
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Report of the 119 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Programme Committee (16-20 May 2016) ----- <i>Reporting Officer: Agustin Zimmermann</i>				
17. The Council (...) <u>endorsed</u> the request for an evaluation of FAO’s work on gender for consideration by the Conference in 2019 (para 15 d)			X	Planned for submission to the 41 <sup>st</sup> Session of Conference in 2019.



