Executive Summary

Some topics requiring discussion and/or decision by the Council have previously been discussed in the Programme Committee, the Finance Committee and/or their Joint Meeting, and are covered in their respective reports. To ensure focused discussion and to facilitate clear decision-making by the Council, the following topics have been included as specific items on the Provisional Agenda of the Council:

- Item 3 – Medium Term Plan 2018-21 (Reviewed) and Programme of Work and Budget 2020-21
- Item 4 – Mid-term Review Synthesis Report – 2018

In order to avoid repetition of statements during the session, the Council is invited to consider any guidance provided by other Governing Bodies on the above topics under the agenda items indicated above.
Monday 8 April
Morning (09.30-12.30 hours)

Item 1 Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable: *for decision* (CL 161/1 Rev.1; CL 161/INF/1 Rev.2; CL 161/INF/3)

Item 2 Election of three Vice-Chairpersons, and Designation of the Chairperson and Members of the Drafting Committee: *for decision*

Item 4 Mid-term Review Synthesis Report – 2018: *for discussion and decision* (PC 126/2 – FC 175/7)
   
   CL 161/3 – *Report of the 126th Session of the Programme Committee* (paragraph 6)
   CL 161/4 – *Report of the 175th Session of the Finance Committee* (paragraphs 16 and 17)

Afternoon (14.30-17.30 hours, or later if required)

Item 3 Medium Term Plan 2018-21 (Reviewed) and Programme of Work and Budget 2020-21: *for discussion and decision* (C 2019/3)

   CL 161/3 – *Report of the 126th Session of the Programme Committee* (paragraphs 4 and 5)
   CL 161/4 – *Report of the 175th Session of the Finance Committee* (paragraphs 20 to 23)
   CL 161/5 – *Report of the Joint Meeting* (paragraphs 3 and 4)

Tuesday 9 April
Morning (09.30-12.30 hours)

Item 5 Report of the Joint Meeting of the 126th Session of the Programme Committee and 175th Session of the Finance Committee (March 2019): *for discussion and decision* (CL 161/5)

Item 6 Report of the 126th Session of the Programme Committee (18-22 March 2019): *for discussion and decision* (CL 161/3)

Item 7 Reports of the 174th (6 February 2019) and 175th (18-22 March 2019) Sessions of the Finance Committee: *for discussion and decision* (CL 161/4; CL 161/8)

   7.1 Status of Contributions and Arrears (CL 161/LIM/2)

   7.2 Scale of Contributions 2020-21

Afternoon (14.30-17.30 hours, or later if required)

Item 8 Report of the 108th Session of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (11-12 March 2019): *for discussion and decision* (CL 161/2)

Item 15 Any Other Matters

   15.1 Amendments to the World Food Programme (WFP) General Rules and Financial Regulations (CL 161/INF/6)
Wednesday 10 April
Morning (09.30-12.30 hours)

**Item 10** Arrangements for the 41st Session of the Conference (including Provisional Timetable) – Recommendations to the Conference: *for discussion and decision* (CL 161/6 Rev.2)

**Item 11** Status of Implementation of Decisions taken at the 160th Session of the Council (3-7 December 2018): *for discussion and/or decision* (CL 161/LIM/3)

**Item 13** Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2019-20: *for information and/or decision* (CL 161/LIM/1)

**Item 14** Provisional Agenda for the 162nd Session of the Council (1 July 2019): *for discussion and/or decision* (CL 161/INF/2)

Thursday 11 April
Morning (09.30-12.45 hours)

**Item 9** Address by Candidates for the Post of Director-General: *for information* (CL 161/7 Rev.1; CL 161/7 Rev.1 Corr.1; C 2019/7; C 2019/7 Add.1)

09.30-11.00 – Ramesh Chand (India)
11.15-12.45 – Davit Kirvalidze (Georgia)

Afternoon (13.45-17.15 hours)

**Item 9 (Cont’d)** Address by Candidates for the Post of Director-General: *for information* (CL 161/7 Rev.1; CL 161/7 Rev.1 Corr.1; C 2019/7; C 2019/7 Add.1)

14.00-15.30 – Qu Dongyu (China)
15.45-17.15 – Catherine Geslain-Lanéelle (France)

Friday 12 April
Morning (11.00 hours)

Adoption of the Report

**Item 12** Developments in *Fora* of Importance for the Mandate of FAO: *for information* (CL 161/INF/4)