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COMPLIANCE

THE GOVERNING BODY,

Recalling that one of the functions of the Compliance Committee is to "offer advice and/or facilitate assistance, as appropriate, to any Contracting Party, on matters relating to compliance with a view to assisting it to comply with its obligations under the International Treaty";

Recalling that the Compliance Committee also has a mandate to "promote compliance by addressing statements and questions concerning the implementation of obligations under the International Treaty";

Recalling the contribution of the International Treaty towards the achievement of SDG 2, SDG 15, and SDG 17 and other global goals and frameworks;

Recalling the recommendations made by various Contracting Parties in relation to capacity development and the support needed, as reflected in Resolution 7/2019;

Reiterating the options for capacity development regarding monitoring and reporting on the implementation of the International Treaty for integration in future activities and programmes in Resolution 7/2019;

Monitoring and Reporting

- 1. *Thanks* the Compliance Committee for the analysis provided in the document IT/GB- 9/22/14, *Report of the Compliance Committee*;
- 2. **Thanks** those Contracting Parties that have submitted their reports pursuant to Section V of the Compliance Procedures on time as well as those that submitted or updated their reports subsequently;
- 3. *Invites* all Contracting Parties, including Contracting Party Organizations, to continue submitting and updating their reports, pursuant to Section V of the Compliance Procedures, and *urges* those Contracting Parties which have not yet done so to submit their own reports, and *reiterates* that the second reports shall be submitted by 1 October 2023;
- 4. **Requests** the Secretary to send regular reminders to Contracting Parties to submit and/or update their reports pursuant to Section V of the Compliance Procedures and to provide support to them, as appropriate;
- 5. *Invites* the members of the Compliance Committee to communicate with Contracting Parties in their respective regions to sensitise, and provide information and support in matters related to compliance, especially regarding the reporting process under Section V of the Compliance Procedures and the related timeline agreed by the Governing Body;
- 6. **Welcomes** the production of indicators that re-use data previously submitted by Contracting Parties to show their contribution, through the International Treaty, towards the implementation of the global development agenda and frameworks, and the achievement of related targets and goals;

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Support and Capacity Development

- 7. **Welcomes** the establishment by the Secretary of a helpdesk to assist Contracting Parties with the compliance reporting process and **requests** the Secretary to keep the Online Reporting System regularly updated;
- 8. **Requests** the Secretary, subject to the availability of resources, to organise training workshops on compliance reporting, and training and information sessions on compliance reporting; promote the use of multimedia resources, and circulate an updated information note, in various languages, to national focal points on how to prepare and submit their compliance reports;
- 9. **Requests** the Secretary to identify and develop partnerships with other organizations and regional networks, as well as synergies with other FAO units and the country offices, to raise awareness and to support Contracting Parties with the compliance reporting process and the implementation of the International Treaty;
- 10. **Encourages** Contracting Parties and other donors to consider providing support and financial resources for capacity development activities as important and effective means to enhance the implementation of the International Treaty.

Reviews under the Mandate of the Compliance Committee and Future Work

Noting that most of the reports were received late in the biennium,

- 11. **Decides** to postpone the review of the effectiveness of the Compliance Procedures to the Tenth Session of the Governing Body and **requests** the Compliance Committee, with inputs from Contracting Parties, to prepare an assessment and recommendations as a basis for the Governing Body to undertake the review;
- 12. *Invites* the Compliance Committee to consider assisting Contracting Parties, upon their request, in considering the conformity of their national legislation with the International Treaty and *requests* the Secretary to undertake any necessary preparatory work for the consideration of the Compliance Committee;
- 13. **Encourages** Contracting Parties to avail themselves of the opportunities that the functions of the Compliance Committee provide, including by submitting to the Committee, through the Secretary, statements and questions concerning their implementation of the International Treaty;

Other Matters

- 14. *Invites* Contracting Parties to promote the important role of the International Treaty in the regional conferences and in other meetings of FAO;
- 15. *Invites* Contracting Parties to provide or update the contact details of their national focal points and, possibly, nominate an alternate reporting officer;
- 16. *Elects* the members of the Compliance Committee in accordance with Section III.4 of the Compliance Procedures, as contained in the *Annex* to this Resolution.

MEMBERS OF THE COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE*

REGION	MEMBER	
AFRICA	Mr Ndawana NOREST	
	(2023)	
	Mr Koffi KOMBATE	
	(2016)	
ASIA	Ms Pratibha BRAHMI	
	(2023)	
	Mr Koukham VILAYHEUNG	
	(2020)	
EUROPE	Ms Linn BORGEN NILSEN	
	(2023)	
	Ms Kim VAN SEETERS	
	(2018)	
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN	Mr Mahendra PERSAUD	
	(2018)	
	Ms Mónica MARTÍNEZ	
	(2020)	
NEAR EAST	Ms Hanaiya EL-ITRIBY	
	(2020)	
	Mr Javad MOZAFARI	
	(2020)	
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	(2023)	
	Ms Indra THIND	
	(2018)	
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC	Ms Birte NASS-KOMOLONG	
	(2020)	
	Ms Emily CARROLL	
	(2023)	

^{*}The year in parenthesis indicates the beginning of the first term of the member. In accordance with the Rules of Procedures of the Compliance Committee, members shall be elected by the Governing Body for a period of four years, this being a full term, commencing on 1 January of the first year of the financial period of the International Treaty following their election. Members shall not serve for more than two consecutive terms (Rule III.4).