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SIXTH REPORT OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE  
(ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS)

1. The General Committee formally draws the attention of the Conference to the following paragraphs of Rule XXII of the General Rules of the Organization (GRO):

"3. In selecting Members of the Council, the Conference give due consideration to the desirability of:

- (a) including in its membership a balanced geographical representation of nations interested in the production, distribution and consumption of food and agricultural products;
- (b) ensuring the participation in the work of the Council of such Member Nations as contribute in a large measure toward the success of the Organization;
- (c) giving to the greatest possible number of Member Nations an opportunity, by rotation of membership, to serve on the Council".

"4. Member Nations shall be eligible for re-election".

2. The Conference set 12.00 hours on Monday 15 November 1993 as the deadline for submission of nominations for election to the Council<sup>1</sup>.

3. The General Committee has examined the nominations received by that time and confirm their validity.

<sup>1</sup> C 93/LIM/6, para 27.

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4. These nominations are as follows:<sup>2</sup>

<u>REGION</u>	<u>PERIOD</u>	<u>CANDIDATE</u>
AFRICA	(a) November 1993 to 31 December 1996 (4 SEATS)	BURKINA FASO CAPE VERDE SWAZILAND UGANDA
	(b) 1 January 1995 to November 1997 (3 SEATS)	CAMEROON TANZANIA ZIMBABWE
ASIA	(a) November 1993 to 31 December 1996 (3 SEATS)	INDIA MALAYSIA PAKISTAN PHILIPPINES SRI LANKA
	(b) 1 January 1995 to November 1997 (6 SEATS)	BANGLADESH CHINA INDONESIA JAPAN KOREA (REP.OF) THAILAND
EUROPE	(a) November 1993 to November 1995 (1 SEAT)	ITALY SLOVAKIA UNITED KINGDOM
	(b) November 1993 to 31 December 1996 (4 SEATS)	FRANCE NORWAY
	(c) 1 January 1995 to November 1997 (3 SEATS)	ESTONIA GERMANY ROMANIA TURKEY
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN	(a) November 1993 to 31 December 1996 (1 SEAT)	HONDURAS
	(b) 1 January 1995 to November 1997 (3 SEATS)	ARGENTINA CHILE DOMINICA URUGUAY VENEZUELA
NEAR EAST	(a) November 1993 to 31 December 1996 (3 SEATS)	EGYPT SAUDIA ARABIA (KINGDOM OF) SYRIA



<u>REGION</u>	<u>PERIOD</u>	<u>CANDIDATE</u>
	(b) 1 January 1995 to November 1997 (1 SEAT)	IRAN (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF)
SOUTHWEST PACIFIC	(a) November 1993 to 31 December 1996 (1 SEAT)	AUSTRALIA

5. For the Europe Region for the period November 1993 - November 1995 there are 3 candidates for 1 seat, therefore more than one ballot may be needed to fill the vacancy. Attention is drawn to Rule XXII-10(g) GRO which states that candidates who are unsuccessful in the election to fill vacancies occurring in the first calendar year shall be included among candidates for election to the vacancies occurring at the end of the second calendar year, except where they voluntarily withdraw. Accordingly, the two candidates not elected will be candidates for the period November 1993 - 31 December 1996.

6. For the Asia Region for the period November 1993 - 31 December 1996 there are 5 candidates for 3 seats, therefore more than one ballot may be needed to fill the vacancies. However, for the regions of Africa, Europe (once the two candidates not elected for the period November 1993 - November 1995 are decided), Latin America and the Caribbean, Near East and Southwest Pacific, where the number of candidates is the same as the number of vacancies, one ballot may be sufficient for candidates to obtain the required majority. Attention is drawn to Rule XII-9(a) GRO which specifies that the election of Council members must be decided by secret ballot, even in cases where there are not more candidates than Council seats to be filled.

7. For the period 1 January 1995 - November 1997 in the region of Africa and Near East the number of candidates is the same as the number of vacancies and one ballot may be sufficient for candidates to obtain the required majority. However, if the candidates not elected for the period November 1993 - 31 December 1996 do not voluntarily withdraw there may be more candidates than seats in the following regions:

<u>REGION</u>	<u>CANDIDATES</u>	<u>SEATS</u>
Asia	8	6
Europe	4	3
Latin America and the Caribbean	5	3

Accordingly, more than one ballot may be needed to fill the vacancies.

8. The General Committee notes that voting will take place on Monday 22 November 1993 in accordance with the timetable adopted by the Conference.

9. The Committee recommends that:

- (a) the first stage of voting should comprise balloting for the Europe Region to fill one seat for the period November 1993 - November 1995 and balloting for all regions concerned, except Europe, for the period November 1993 - 31 December 1996. This would be followed by any additional ballots which may be required for these two periods.
- (b) The second stage of voting should comprise balloting for all regions concerned for the period 1 January 1995 - November 1997. This would be followed by any additional ballots which may be required for this period.