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## APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL

1. The Hundred and Third Session decided, in accordance with Rule XXIII-1(b) of the General Rules of the Organization, that nominations for the office of Independent Chairman of the Council should be communicated to the Secretary-General of the Conference and Council by 12.00 hours on Friday, 3 September 1993.

2. By the date prescribed, the Secretary-General of the Conference and Council had received two nominations. Copies of the Curriculum Vitae of the nominees and the transmittal communications are appended as follows:

Appendix A José Ramón López Portillo (México)

Appendix B Ibrahim Issaka Adam (Ghana)

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APPENDIX A

TRANSLATION

MEXICAN EMBASSY  
ROME

Rome, 11 February 1993

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of Mexico has decided to officially submit the candidature of Lic. José Ramón López Portillo for the office of Independent Chairman of the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization, to succeed the current Chairman whose mandate ends this November at the Twenty-seventh Session of the Conference of FAO.

... I attach the curriculum vitae of Lic. José Ramón López Portillo.

On behalf of the Government of Mexico, and in accordance with Article XXIII(b) of the General Rules of the Organization, I would be grateful if the Secretary-General would circulate this nomination to all Member Governments and Associate Members of FAO.

Thanking you in advance for your courteous attention to this matter, I take this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the Conference and Council of FAO, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Lic. Francisco Javier Alejo  
Permanent Representative

Mr Mario Alessi  
Secretary-General of the Conference and Council  
of the Food and Agriculture Organization  
of the United Nations  
ROME

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: JOSE RAMON LOPEZ PORTILLO  
Date and place of birth: Mexico City, 2 February 1954  
Nationality: Mexican  
Marital status: Married  
Languages: Spanish, English, German, Italian, (basic) French

### EDUCATION

School: Alexander von Humboldt (1960-1972)  
University: B.Sc. in Economics  
Anahuac University, Mexico (1972-1976)  
(honourable mention for highest grade average)  
Thesis: "El desarrollismo en México"  
(honourable mention, professional examination)  
Postgraduate: Ph.D. candidate (Doctor of Philosophy),  
Political Science, St. Antony's College,  
University of Oxford (1989-)

### PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Government activities:  
Director-General of Documentation and  
Analysis, Secretariat of State for Planning  
and Federal Budget, SPFB, (1976-1980)  
Chairman of the Federal Commission on  
Documentation (1977-1981)  
Chairman of the Federal Commission on  
Government Publications and Information  
(1977-1981)  
Subsecretary of Evaluation, SPFB (1980-1981)  
Member of the Intersecretarial Commission  
on the Public Transportation System  
Member of the Intersecretarial Commission  
on Federal Roads and Bridges  
Member of the Intersecretarial Commission  
for the Environment

Political activities:

Research Investigator of the Instituto de Estudios Políticos, Económicos y Sociales of the Partido Revolucionario Institucional, PRI (1975-1976)

General Coordinator of Documentation and Evaluation of the PRI National Executive Committee (1981-1982)

Chairman of the Information and Evaluation Coordinating Committee of the PRI Executive National Committee (1981-1982)

Foreign Service activities:

Permanent Representative of Mexico to FAO, WFP, WFC and IFAD (1983-1988)

Chairman of the Latin American and Caribbean Group (1983)

Chairman of Commission I of the Twenty-second Session of the Conference of FAO (1983)

Chairman of the Sectorial Meeting on Agriculture and Informatics (IBI-FAO, Tunis, 1983)

Head of the Mexican Delegation to the Global Meeting on Economic Cooperation among Developing Countries in the Food and Agriculture Sector, of the Group of 77 (Bucharest, 1983)

Governor for Mexico at the Governing Council of IFAD (1984-1988)

Executive Director for Mexico of the Executive Board of IFAD (1985-1988)

Alternate Delegate to Ministerial Meetings of the WFC (1983-1988)

Chairman of the Group of 77 (FAO, 1985)

Chairman of the Drafting Committee of Commission II of the Conference of FAO (1987)

International activities  
in food and agriculture:

Member of the FAO Programme Committee  
(1989-)

Chairman of the Working Group on Food  
Security of the Declaration of Barcelona "The  
Food Rights of Man" (1991-1992)

Participation in meetings on plant genetic  
resources of the "Keystone International Dialogue  
Series on Plant Genetic Resources" (1989-1991)

Publication of articles in international magazines  
and periodicals.

APPENDIX B

*In case of reply the  
number and date of this  
letter should be quoted*



Embassy of the Republic of Ghana  
4, Via Ostriana  
00199 Rome

My Ref. No. PRC/FAO/6

Your Ref. No. ....

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Sir,

In conformity with the Rule XXIII-1(b) of the General Rules of the Organisation, I have the honour to inform you through this communication, that the Government of Ghana officially submits the candidature for the post of the Independent Chairman of the FAO Council of Mr Ibrahim Issaka Adam, the Minister of Food and Agriculture, Ghana. I also enclose herewith his detailed Curriculum Vitae.

I should be grateful if you would be so kind as to make this proposal known to all the member nations of the Organization.

Please accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jaakobson" or similar, with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Alternate Permanent Representative to FAO  
(J. R. Turkson)

The Secretary-General of the  
Conference and Council of FAO  
Viale della Terme di Caracalla  
R o m e

**CURRICULUM VITAE OF MR IBRAHIM ISSAKA ADAM**  
**MINISTER OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE**

**Surname:** ADAM  
**Other names:** IBRAHIM ISSAKA  
**Current position:** MINISTER OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE  
**Date of birth:** 24 September 1951  
**Citizenship:** Ghanaian  
**Sex:** Male  
**Marital status:** Married with six (6) children.

**Education and training:** Elementary and Middle School 1957 to 1965.  
Secondary - 1965-1972.  
University - University of Science and  
Technology - 1972-1976.

**Employment history:** 1993 - Minister of Food and Agriculture.  
1992-1993 - Acting PNDC Secretary for Agriculture.  
1985-1992 - PNDC Deputy Secretary for  
Agriculture (Crops).  
1984-1985 - PNDC Regional Deputy Secretary.  
1979-1984 - Secretary-General of Tamale Rice  
Growers Association and a Rice Farmer.  
1977-1979 - Assistant Farm Manager Nasia Farms.

**National responsibilities:**

Currently the Chairman of the following national organisations:

- Board of Directors, Ghana Food Distribution Corporation.
- Agriculture Policy Co-ordinating Committee.
- National Soya Beans Development Committee.
- Agricultural Diversification Project.
- National Steering Committee on PAMSCAD (AGRIC).
- Steering Committee of National Agricultural Research Project.
- National Co-ordinating Committee on National Agricultural Research Project.
- Board of Directors, Twifo Oil Palm Plantation.

**International posts held:**

- Chairman of the International Society for Tropical Root Crops.
- Chairman of the Preparatory Committees I and II of the International Conference on Nutrition (ICN).
- Chairman of the 17th FAO Regional Conference for Africa held in Accra, Ghana - 1992.
- Chairman of the Inaugural Ceremony of first ever-held International Conference on Nutrition (ICN) organised by the Food and Agriculture Organisation and the World Health Organisation in Rome - 1992.

**Member of following delegations:**

- Leader of Ghana's Delegation to Kuwait to negotiate for support the Structural Adjustment Programme.
- Head of Ghana's Delegation to Germany in 1986 to negotiate for the extension of the Ghana-German Agricultural Development Project.
- Head of Ghana's Delegation to Denmark in 1988 to negotiate for re-establishment of "DANIA" Combine Harvester Services in Ghana.
- Head of Ghana Team to the Seventh Extraordinary Sessions of the Council of Ministers of the West Africa Rice Development Association, held in Liberia.
- Member of Ghana's Delegation for Renegotiation of a Bilateral Agreement for Economic and Technical Co-operation in Beijing, China in 1989.
- Head of Ghana Team to IFAD to negotiate for the Upper East Region Land Conservation and Smallholder Rehabilitation Project.
- Head of Ghana Delegation to the 16th Session of Committee on World Food Security held in Rome, 1991.

**Publications:**

Published the following papers:

- The incidence of Aflatoxins "A" and "B" in Groundnut Cake in the forest belt of Ghana.
- Studies On the Performance of Broilers Feed Concentrate Free Diets (Dissertation for BSc Degree).
- The Effect of Different Levels of Stylosanthes Leaf Meal on Skin Pigmentation of Broilers (BSc Dissertation).
- The Effect of Substituting Different Levels of Rice Bran and Groundnut Cake for Brewers Grains and Fish Meal on the Growth of Guinea Fowls in Northern Ghana.