

## CONFERENCE

### **Twenty-eighth Session**

Rome, 20 October - 2 November 1995

#### APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE ORGANIZATION

- 1. Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization (GRO) provides that any application for membership or associate membership "shall be transmitted immediately by the Director-General to Member Nations and shall be placed on the agenda of the next Conference session which opens not less than 30 days from the receipt of the application".
- 2. Article II-2 of the Constitution provides that any nation applying for membership shall submit a "declaration made in a formal instrument that it will accept the obligations of the Constitution as in force at the time of admission".
- 3. Rule XIX-1 GRO provides that this formal instrument may accompany or follow the application, and in the latter case "shall reach the Director-General not later than the opening day of the Conference session at which the admission of the applicant is to be considered".
- 4. To date the Director-General has received the following four applications for membership:

#### A. AZERBAIJAN

A letter from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Azerbaijan Republic, dated 20 June 1994, was received in the form of a facsimile communication on 21 June 1994 and in its original form on 30 January 1995. A formal instrument of acceptance of the relevant obligations of the Constitution of FAO was submitted with the application (*Appendix A*). This application was communicated by Circular Letter G/CA 11/1 of 7 February 1995 to FAO Member Nations by the Director-General in pursuance of his responsibilities under Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization.

#### B. GEORGIA

A letter from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Georgia, dated 30 September 1994, was received on 7 November 1994. A formal instrument of acceptance of the relevant obligations of the Constitution of FAO was submitted with the application (*Appendix B*). This application was communicated by Circular Letter G/CA 11/1 of 6 February 1995 to FAO Member Nations by the Director-General in pursuance of his responsibilities under Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization.

#### C. MOLDOVA

A letter from the President of the Republic of Moldova, dated 3 February 1995, was received on 9 February 1995. It constituted a formal instrument of acceptance of the relevant obligations of the Constitution of FAO (Appendix C). This application was communicated by Circular Letter G/CA 11/1 of 11 April 1995 to FAO Member Nations by the Director-General in pursuance of his responsibilities under Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization.

#### D. TURKMENISTAN

A letter from the Vice-Prime Minister, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan, dated 6 February 1995, was received on 17 February 1995. It constituted a formal instrument of acceptance of the relevant obligations of the Consitution of FAO (Appendix D). This application was communicated by Circular Letter G/CA 11/1 of 10 April 1995 to FAO Member Nations by the Director-General in pursuance of his responsibilities under Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization.

#### Relevant texts

- 5. The following texts are relevant to the procedure for the admission of additional Member Nations of the Organization:
  - a) Article II, paragraph 2 of the Constitution: the Conference may, by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast, provided that a majority of the Member Nations of the Organization is present, decide to admit as additional Members to the Organization.
  - b) Rule XII-3 (c) GRO: when a two-thirds majority of the votes cast is required, the total number of affirmative and negative votes cast shall be more than one-half of the Member Nations of the Organization.
  - c) Rule XII-9 (a) GRO: admission of additional Member Nations shall be decided by secret ballot.
- 6. The following provisions are also relevant:
  - a) Article XVIII-2 of the Constitution: each Member Nation undertakes to contribute annually to the Organization its share of the Budget, as apportioned by the Conference.
  - b) Article XVIII-3 of the Constitution: each Member Nation shall, upon approval of its application, pay as its first contribution a proportion, to be determined by the Conference, of the budget for the current financial period.
  - c) Regulation 5.8 of the Financial Regulations: any nation admitted to membership shall pay a contribution to the budget for the financial period in which its membership becomes effective. Such contributions begin with the quarter in which the application was approved. In addition, all new Member Nations shall be required to make advances to the Working Capital Funds in an amount determined by the Conference.

#### APPENDIX A



AZERBAIJAN REPUBLIC

# MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

MINISTER

Nº 579

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of the Azerbaijan Republic has decided to apply for membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. I therefore, request that, in conformity with Rule XIX, Paragraph 2 of the General Rules of the Organization, this application be laid before the Conference of the Organization which, I understand, will hold its next Session in Rome in November 1995.

The Government of the Azerbaijan Republic hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization, and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

HASSAN HASSANOV

Minister of Foreign Affairs

H.E.Mr.JACQUES DIOUF
Director-General
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Via Delle Terme Di Caracalla
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AZERBAIJAN REPUBLIC

# MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

MINISTER

## INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

The Government of the Azerbaijan Republic hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as I force at the time of admission.

HASSAN HASSANOV

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#### APPENDIX B



#### REPUBLIC OF GEORGIA

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30 September, 1994

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of the Republic of Georgia has decided to apply for membership in the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations. I therefor, request that , in conformity with Rule XIX, Paragraph 2 of the General Rules of the Organization, this application be laid before the Conference of the Organization which, I understand, will hold its next session in Rome in November 1994.

The Government of the Republic of Georgia hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization, and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Alexander D. Chikvaidze Minister of Foreign Affairs

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## INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

The Government of the Republic of Georgia hereby formally accepts the obligations of the membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

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#### APPENDIX C



Appendix C

TÉTUBLO A MOLDOVA TECUBLO MAJOLDOVA

8 February 1995

Sir,

I have the honour to attach herewith a formal application for membership and instrument of acceptance of the Constitution of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) signed by the President of the Republic of Moldova which reads as follows:

"Accession of the Republic of Moldova to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

#### THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

informs the Organization that, pursuant to Parliamentary Resolution No. 360-XIII dated 2 February 1995, the Republic of Moldova applies for membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations;

declares that the Republic of Moldova accepts the obligations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization;

confirms the above by signing this instrument of acceptance duly sealed with the State Stamp."

As instructed by the Government of Moldova, I request that, in accordance with Rule XIX, paragraph 2 of the General Rules of the Organization, this application be laid before the Conference of the Organization which, I understand, will hold its next Session in Rome in October 1995.

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

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VITALIE V. GORINCHOI MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

The Director-General
Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations



## REPUBLICA MOLDOVA REPUBLIC of MOLDOVA

Aderarea Republicii Moldova la Organizația Națiunilor Unite pentru Alimentație și Agricultură

## PREȘEDINTELE REPUBLICII MOLDOVA

Aduce la cunoștință că Republica Moldova, în baza Hotărîrii Parlamentului nr.360-XIII din 2 februarie 1995, aderă la Organizația Națiunilor Unite pentru Alimentație și Agricultură.

Declară că prevederile Statutului acestei Organizații vor fi îndeplinite.

Întru confirmare semnăm prezentul Instrument de aderare investit cu sigiliul statului.

MIRCEA SNEGUR

PRESEDINTELE REPUBLICIT MOL. JVA

M. Snegwi

MIHAI POPOV M. Popov MINISTRUL AFACERILOR EXTERNE

Chişinău, 3 februarie 1995 nr.54

#### APPENDIX D



TÜRKMENISTANYÑ DAŞARY IŞLER MINISTRLIGI 4/3

6 февраля 1995 года

Sir,

06/216

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of Turkmenistan has decided to apply for membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. I therefore, request that, in conformity with Rule XIX, Paragraph 2 of the General Rules of the Organization, this application be laid before the Conference of the Organization which, I understand, will hold its next Session in Rome in November 1995.

The Government of Turkmenistan hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization, and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest

consideration.

Vice Prime-Minister Minister of Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan B. SHIHMURADOV

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6 февраля 1995 года

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#### INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

The Government of Turkmenistan formally accepts—the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization and solemnly undertakes faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time OF' admission.

Vice Prime-Minister
Minister of Foreign
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