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PLENARY

09.30 hours EIGHTH PLENARY MEETING
Plenary Hall – 3rd Floor Building A

Item 10: Review of the State of Food and Agriculture (cont'd) (C 2011/2; C 2011/2 Add.1)

Proposed theme for the General Debate: "The Vital Role of Women in Agriculture and Rural Development"

Statements by Heads of Delegation of:

COMOROS
SWEDEN
EGYPT
BENIN
GAMBIA
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
SIERRA LEONE
CYPRUS
NIGER
FINLAND
REPUBLIC OF KOREA
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
UNITED KINGDOM
AUSTRALIA
PERU
NICARAGUA
PAKISTAN
DENMARK
MONGOLIA
HAITI
GREECE
DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA
AUSTRIA
BURKINA FASO

COMMISSION I

09.30 hours FOURTH MEETING OF COMMISSION I
Green Room – 1st Floor Building A

- Item 27: United Nations/FAO World Food Programme (C 2011/INF/10; C 2011/INF/11)
- 27.1 Amendments to the General Regulations and Rules of WFP (C 2011/LIM/10)
- Item 17: Evaluation of the International Year of Natural Fibres 2009 (C 2011/INF/15)
- Item 18: International Year of Forests 2011 (C 2011/30)
- Item 35.9: International Year of Quinoa (C 2011/INF/18; C 2011/LIM/17)

14.30 hours Second Meeting of the Drafting Committee of COMMISSION I
Mexico Room (D211)

COMMISSION II

09.30 hours Friends of the Chair of COMMISSION II
King Faisal Room (D263)

- Item 23: Medium Term Plan 2010-13 (Reviewed) and Programme of Work and Budget 2012-13
 (Draft Resolution on budget level) (cont'd)
 (C 2011/3; Information Notes 1 to 5, C 2011/LIM/4)

AFTERNOON
Time to be announced Friends of the Chair of COMMISSION II

- Item 23: Medium Term Plan 2010-13 (Reviewed) and Programme of Work and Budget 2012-13
 (Draft Resolution on budget level) (cont'd)
 (C 2011/3; Information Notes 1 to 5, C 2011/LIM/4)

18.30 hours (to be confirmed) Second Meeting of the Drafting Committee of COMMISSION II
Lebanon Room (D209)

GENERAL COMMITTEE

08.30 hours Fifth Meeting of the General Committee
Lebanon Room (D209)

DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOMINATIONS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE FAO COUNCIL

REGION	PERIOD	CANDIDATES
AFRICA	(a) 1 July 2011 – 30 June 2013 (1 SEAT)	Côte d'Ivoire
	(b) 1 December 2011 – 30 June 2014 (4 SEATS)	Algeria, Cameroon, Guinea, Togo
	(c) 1 July 2012 – 30 June 2015 (3 SEATS)	Eritrea, Gabon, Republic of the Congo
ASIA	(a) 1 December 2011 – 30 June 2014 (3 SEATS)	India, Indonesia, Pakistan
	(b) 1 July 2012 – 30 June 2015 (6 SEATS)	Bangladesh, China, Japan, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Sri Lanka, Thailand
EUROPE	(a) 1 December 2011 – 30 June 2014 (4 SEATS)	Denmark, France, Italy, Poland
	(b) 1 July 2012 – 30 June 2015 (3 SEATS)	Germany, Portugal, United Kingdom
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN	(a) 1 December 2011 – 30 June 2014 (1 SEAT)	Ecuador
	(b) 1 July 2012 – 30 June 2015 (3 SEATS)	Chile, El Salvador, Venezuela
NEAR EAST	(a) 1 December 2011 – 30 June 2014 (3 SEATS)	Afghanistan, Egypt, Saudi Arabia
	(b) 1 July 2012 – 30 June 2015 (1 SEAT)	Jordan
SOUTHWEST PACIFIC	(a) 1 December 2011 – 30 June 2014 (1 SEAT)	Australia

AUDIENCE WITH HIS HOLINESS POPE BENEDICT XVI

On the occasion of the 37th Session of the Conference, His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI will receive in Audience Delegates to the Conference. The Audience will take place in the "Sala Clementina" on Friday, 1 July 2011 at 11.00 hours. Doors to the hall will be closed at 10.45 hours.

Entrance to the Sala will be effected through the "Portone di Bronzo", on the right-hand side of Piazza San Pietro, upon presentation of a special access card and screening through a metal detector by the Italian Police authorities.

The cards will be distributed upon request at a desk marked "Papal Audience" in the Belgian Lounge (main entrance to the Plenary Hall), from Monday, 27 June to Thursday, 30 June 2011, from 09.30 to 12.00 hours.

A bus service will be provided to and from the Vatican. Buses will leave from FAO (Building A) at 09.30 hours and will return at 12.30 hours approximately.

DOCUMENTS

Conference documents are printed in very limited quantities to reduce their impact on the environment, thereby contributing to climate neutrality. Meeting participants are kindly requested to bring their documents to meetings to avoid asking for additional copies. All Conference documents can be downloaded at: <http://www.fao.org/bodies/conf/c2011/en/>

SIDE EVENTS

Wednesday 29 June 2011	13.00- 14.30	Innovative Financing for Development	King Faisal Room (D263)
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Other Announcements

Today, 29 June, the Director General of FAO Dr. Jaques Diouf and the Estonian Minister for Agriculture His Excellency Helir-Valdor Seeder will inaugurate the Estonian Contact Center (ECC) located at bottom of the flight of steps to the Iran Room (B016). The ECC will provide two videophones equipped with Skype technology to enable free video calls to be made anywhere in the world to help improve communications among Member States. The opening will be followed by a glass of wine in the lobby of the Iran Room at the invitation of Minister Seeder.

Public holiday in Rome – 29 June

Today is a public holiday in Rome. Most shops will be closed for the entire day and public transport will run to a holiday schedule.