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COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL MATTERS

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Replacement of an external member of the Ethics Committee

I. BACKGROUND

1. The Immediate Plan of Action (IPA) for FAO Renewal approved by the Conference at its Thirty-fifth (Special) Session (18-21 November 2008) provided for the establishment of an Ethics Committee (IPA action 3.34). After extensive review by the CCLM and the Finance Committee, the Council, at its 141st Session (11-15 April 2011), endorsed its Terms of Reference and decided that it be established for an initial period of four years (2012-2015).
2. Pursuant to paragraph 4 of its Terms of Reference, the Ethics Committee is composed of five members: three external to the Organization whose nomination “*shall be approved by the Council, upon recommendation by the Finance Committee and the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters*”, and two internal members (one Deputy Director-General and the Legal Counsel as *ex officio* member). Mr Ngonlardje Kabra Mbaidjol, Ms Anne Marie Taylor and Mr José Zalaquett were elected as external members by the Council at its 143rd Session (28 November - 2 December 2011) upon a common recommendation by the CCLM (93rd Session, 21-23 September 2011) and the Finance Committee (142nd Session, 7-8 November 2011).
3. On 6 January 2012, the Director-General established the Ethics Committee appointing Ms Ann Tutwiler, Deputy Director-General (Knowledge), Mr Ngonlardje Kabra Mbaidjol, Ms Anne Marie Taylor and Mr José Zalaquett as members for a term of two years (1 January 2012 to 31 December 2013). Subsequently, in December 2012, Mr Daniel Gustafson, Deputy Director-General (Operations), was appointed as an internal member to replace Ms Tutwiler.
4. On 17 January 2013, Ms Anne Marie Taylor (a national of Canada, France and the United States of America) resigned as member of the Ethics Committee.

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5. Although the CCLM and the Finance Committee have established detailed criteria for the nomination and selection of candidates to be implemented in connection with a regular renewal of the external members (every two years), a replacement procedure for a situation such as the present one was not foreseen. Accordingly, it is suggested to proceed in a pragmatic manner with a one-time solution and to appoint a replacement for the remainder of Ms Taylor's term (until 31 December 2013).

6. The Director-General is hereby submitting the following candidate to replace Ms Taylor as external member of the Ethics Committee until 31 December 2013, for consideration by the CCLM: Ms Suomi Sakai (Japan). The curriculum vitae of the candidate is attached (**Appendix**).

7. If agreed, the nomination would be submitted to the 148th Session of the Finance Committee (18-22 March 2013) and a common recommendation by the CCLM and the Finance Committee would be submitted to the 146th Session of the Council (22-26 April 2013).

II. SUGGESTED ACTION BY THE COMMITTEE

8. The CCLM is hereby invited to consider this document and make a recommendation to the Council as to the appointment of Ms Suomi Sakai as member of the Ethics Committee until 31 December 2013.

APPENDIX
CURRICULUM VITAE

MS. SUOMI SAKAI

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2012-present **Principle Advisor, Ethics**
United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), New York, USA
- 2008-2012 **Representative to Nigeria**
United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), Nigeria
- 2007-2008 **Representative to Cambodia**
United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), Cambodia
- 2002-2006 **Representative to Nepal**
United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), Nepal
- 2000-2002 **Chief of Immunization Activities**
United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), New York, USA
- 1996- 2000 **Senior Health Adviser**
United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), New York, USA
- 1995-1996 **Chief of Health**
United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), Malawi
- 1989-1995 **Programme Officer, Health**
United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), China
- 1986-1987 **Field Research Associate**
Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health, Indonesia

PUBLICATIONS

Several Japanese language publications and one English language publication in Japanese Public Health Journals.

EDUCATION

- 1989 **Doctor of Public Health**
Johns Hopkins School of Public Health, Baltimore, Maryland, USA.
- 1983 **Master of Public Health**

Institute of Public Health, Tokyo, Japan.

1982 **Medical Doctor**

Hamamatsu University School of Medicine, Hamamatsu, Japan. General Medicine. Medical license in Japan.

PERSONAL

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