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Thirty-eighth Session
Rome, 15-22 June 2013
Awards Ceremony (Draft Resolution)

Extract from the Report of the 146th Session of Council (22-26 April 2013)

34. The Council agreed to submit to the Conference for approval:

(...)

- ii) a proposal to hold the Awards Ceremony on an occasion other than the Conference, as set out in the Draft Conference Resolution [*below*], on the premise that the change would be implemented after the 38th Session of the Conference in June 2013.

THE CONFERENCE,

Recalling its previous Resolutions, which established awards in recognition of the achievements of former Directors-General of the Organization:

- B.R. Sen Award (Resolution 33/67);
- A.H. Boerma Award (Resolution 1/75);
- Edouard Saouma Award (Resolution 2/93); and
- Jacques Diouf Award for Food Security (Resolution 1/2011).

Recalling Conference Resolution 18/97, which established the Margarita Lizárraga Medal as a biennial award to be made by the Conference;

Appreciating that the above Awards were established as a tribute to the unique contribution made by B.R. Sen, A.H. Boerma, Edouard Saouma, Jacques Diouf and Margarita Lizárraga in working towards a world free from hunger and malnutrition;

Noting, in the context of FAO's transformational process and related efforts to achieve greater efficiency in the Governing Bodies, the merits of:

- Giving greater public visibility of the Awards and Awardees;
- Increasing the time available during Conference sessions to focus on substantial agenda items;
- Streamlining selection processes and timelines; and
- Taking advantage of synergies with an existing FAO event, to attract more international media attention for the Awards.

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Recognizing that the imperative of achieving food security needs to be kept high on the global agenda, and that the achievements of exceptional individuals and institutions in working towards the eradication of hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition is of considerable interest to international media networks;

Decides to establish, as of 2015, a single, recurring prestigious event, “The FAO Awards”, with no incremental costs being incurred compared to the Awards Ceremony previously held at Sessions of Conference;

Further decides to review this new approach to FAO Awards at the 40th Session of the Conference in June 2017.

(Adopted on ... June 2013)