



**ENDORSEMENT OF HIS EXCELLENCY PROF. DR. JOSE GRAZIANO DA SILVA,
FOR A SECOND MANDATE AS DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE FOOD AND
AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION (FAO) OF THE UNITED NATIONS.**

The African Group of Permanent Representatives to FAO:

- Aware of the tremendous and constant support FAO has provided to our continent in its fight against hunger, in promoting family farming, food security and nutrition, supporting sustainable rural development, reinforcing resilience, and enhancing South-South Cooperation under the vibrant leadership of Prof. Dr. Jose Graziano da Silva,
- Recognizing the positive effects and achievements of the transformational changes, including further decentralisation, put in place under the leadership of the Director-General during the last biennium,
- Commends Prof. Dr. Jose' Graziano da Silva, and welcomes the continuation of the FAO's work and the Director-General in the eradication of hunger on the Continent by 2025,
- Emphasizes the need to ensure continuity in the strategic direction and leadership of the FAO to enable the organization to realize the full impact of the reforms, and therefore,
- Endorse the re-election of Prof. Dr. Graziano da Silva for a second mandate as Director-General of the UN Food and Agriculture Organization in Rome.

Done in Rome, this 5th Day of February AD 2015 by:

**THE AFRICA REGIONAL GROUP OF AMBASSADORS AND PERMANENT
REPRESENTATIVES ACCREDITED TO THE ROME BASED UN AGENCIES**



**Signed by the Chairperson of the Africa Group:
HIS EXCELLENCY MOHAMMED S. SHERIFF
PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF LIBERIA/FAO, IFAD, WFP**