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CONFERENCE

Thirty-eighth Session

Rome, 15-22 June 2013

Amendments to Rule XXIX.2, Rule XXX.2, Rule XXXI.2 and Rule XXXII.2 of the General Rules of the Organization (Draft Resolution)

Extract from the Report of the 145th Council Session (3-7 December 2012)

39. The Council approved the Report of the 95th Session of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (CCLM). In particular, the Council:

(...)

- i) endorsed the Draft Conference Resolution on “amendments to Rule XXIX.2, Rule XXX.2, XXXI.2 and Rule XXXII.2 of the General Rules of the Organization” [*below*], and requested that it be forwarded to the Conference for adoption;

Resolution ___/2013

Amendments to Rule XXIX.2, Rule XXX.2, Rule XXXI.2 and Rule XXXII.2 of the General Rules of the Organization

THE CONFERENCE,

Having taken note of the views of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (CCLM), at its Ninety-fifth session (Rome, 8-11 October 2012) on the proposed amendments to Rule XXIX.2 (Committee on Commodity Problems), Rule XXX.2 (Committee on Fisheries), Rule XXXI.2 (Committee on Forestry) and Rule XXXII.2 (Committee on Agriculture) of the General Rules of the Organization;

Considering that the Council, at its Hundred and Forty-fifth Session (Rome, 3-7 December 2012), endorsed the amendments proposed by the CCLM and agreed to transmit them to the Conference for approval;

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Having noted that the Rules on membership require the effective presence of Members at the meetings of the above Committees to avoid the validity of deliberations being questioned;

Having further noted that allowing a notification of membership to be made at “*any time*” creates a high degree of uncertainty and that the proposed amendments would contribute to eliminate this uncertainty by setting a time frame during which no further changes in membership are allowed in respect of an upcoming session of a Committee;

Decides to amend Rule XXIX.2, Rule XXX.2, Rule XXXI.2 and Rule XXXII.2 of the General Rules of the Organization as follows¹:

“2. The notification referred to in paragraph 1 may be made at any time *but not later than 10 days before the opening date of a session.* ~~and in~~ Membership acquired on the basis thereof shall be considered valid unless the Member has not been represented at two consecutive sessions of the Committee, or has notified its withdrawal from it. The Director-General shall circulate, at the beginning of each session of the Committee, a document listing the Members of the Committee.”

(Adopted on 2013)

¹ Deletions are indicated using ~~strikethrough text~~ and insertions are indicated using *underlined italics*.