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CONFERENCE

Thirty-eighth Session

Rome, 15-22 June 2013

Arrangements for the 38th Session of the FAO Conference (Recommendations to the Conference)

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

Arrangements for the 38th Session of the Conference¹

Arrangements for the Session and Provisional Agenda

40. The Council agreed to submit to the Conference for approval the Provisional Agenda and the Arrangements outlined in document CL 145/12, and in particular recommended that:

- a) two Commissions be established to examine, respectively: (i) substantive and policy matters (Commission I) and (ii) programme and budgetary matters (Commission II);
- b) the deadline for receipt of nominations for election to the Council be set at 12.00 hours on Monday, 17 June 2013, and the election be held on Friday, 21 June 2013.

Deadline for Nominations for the Post of Independent Chairperson of the Council

41. The Council decided to establish the deadline for the receipt of nominations for the Office of Independent Chairperson of the Council at 12.00 hours on Monday, 8 April 2013.

Nomination of the Chairperson of the Conference and the Chairpersons of Commission I and Commission II

42. The Council noted that consultations amongst the Near East Regional Group had led to consensus on nominating the Minister for Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock of Afghanistan as Chairperson of the Conference. Furthermore, it agreed that the Chairperson of Commission I be from a country from the G77 and China Group, and the Chairperson of Commission II be from a country not within the G77 and China Group.

¹ CL 145/12; CL 145/PV/5; CL 145/PV/6; CL 145/PV/7

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43. The Council agreed:
- a) to defer decision on the composition of the General Committee, the Credentials Committee and the Resolutions Committee until its 146th session (April 2013);
 - b) to recommend to the Conference that, in line with past practice, Palestine be invited to the Conference in an observer capacity; and
 - c) to recommend to the Conference that the theme of the General Debate at the 38th Session be: *Sustainable Food Systems for Food Security and Nutrition*.

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

Arrangements for the 38th Session of the Conference²

Draft Timetable for the Session

34. The Council agreed to submit to the Conference for approval:
- i) the Tentative Timetable set out in CL 146/6, and
 - ii) a proposal to hold the Awards Ceremony on an occasion other than the Conference, as set out in the Draft Conference Resolution³, on the premise that the change would be implemented after the 38th Session of the Conference in June 2013.
35. In accordance with Rule XXIV.5 of the General Rules of the Organization, the Council agreed to put the following nominations before the Conference:

Nomination of the Chairpersons of the Commissions of the Conference

- a) Chairperson of Commission I: (Her Excellency Nomatamba Tambo) (South Africa)
- b) Chairperson of Commission II: (Her Excellency Gerda Verburg) (Netherlands)

Nomination of three Vice-Chairpersons of the Conference

- c) Vice-Chairpersons of the Conference:
 - Her Excellency Janine Tagliante Saracino of Côte d'Ivoire;
 - His Excellency Thomas Wriessnig of Germany;
 - Her Excellency Tehmina Janjua of Pakistan.

Nomination of Seven Members of the General Committee

- d) Members of the General Committee: Costa Rica, New Zealand, Slovakia, Sri Lanka, Sudan, United States of America and Zimbabwe.

Nomination of Nine Members of the Credentials Committee

- e) Members of the Credentials Committee: Algeria, Canada, China, Colombia, Czech Republic, Honduras, Hungary, New Zealand and Oman.

Nomination of Seven Members of the Resolutions Committee

36. The Council noted that there was consensus on the following seven nominees for the Resolutions Committee: Australia, Bangladesh, Canada, Equatorial Guinea, Estonia, Iraq and Uruguay.

² CL 146/6; CL 146/6 Sup.1; CL 146/LIM/6; CL 146/PV/6; CL 146/PV/8

³ C 2013/LIM/18