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# Conference

# **Thirty-eighth Session**

# Rome, 15-22 June 2013

# **Second Report of the General Committee**

## I. Election of Council Members

- 1. The General Committee draws the attention of the Conference to the following paragraphs of Rule XXII of the General Rules of the Organization (GRO):
  - "3. In selecting Members of the Council, the Conference shall give due consideration to the desirability of:
  - a) including in its membership a balanced geographical representation of nations interested in the production, distribution and consumption of food and agricultural products;
  - b) ensuring the participation in the work of the Council of such Member Nations as contribute in a large measure towards the success of the Organization;
  - c) giving to the greatest possible number of Member Nations an opportunity, by rotation of membership, to serve on the Council.
  - 4. Member Nations shall be eligible for re-election.
  - 5. No Member Nation shall be eligible for election to the Council if it is in arrears in payment of its financial contributions to the Organization in an amount equal to or exceeding the contributions due from it for the two preceding calendar years."
- 2. The Conference set at **12:00 hours on Monday 17 June 2013** the deadline for submission of nominations for election to the Council, and agreed that the election be held on **Friday 21 June 2013**.
- 3. The General Committee has examined the nominations received by that deadline and found the following nominations to be in order:

REGION	PERIOD	CANDIDATES
AFRICA	(a) end of 38 <sup>th</sup> Conference - 30 June 2016 (5 SEATS)	Angola, Liberia, Madagascar, Morocco, South Africa
	(b) 1 July 2014 - end of 40 <sup>th</sup> Conference (4 SEATS)	Algeria, Cameroon, Mali, Zimbabwe
ASIA	(b) 1 July 2014 - end of 40 <sup>th</sup> Conference (3 SEATS)	India, Malaysia, Pakistan
EUROPE	(a) end of 38 <sup>th</sup> Conference - 30 June 2016 (3 SEATS)	Cyprus, Hungary, Russian Federation, Turkey



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	(b) 1 July 2014 - end of 40 <sup>th</sup> Conference (4 SEATS)	Czech Republic, France, Iceland, Italy
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN	(a) end of 38 <sup>th</sup> Conference - 30 June 2016 (5 SEATS)	Argentina, Brazil, Cuba, Mexico, Trinidad and Tobago
	(b) 1 July 2014 - end of 40 <sup>th</sup> Conference (1 SEAT)	Ecuador
NEAR EAST	(a) end of 38 <sup>th</sup> Conference - 30 June 2016 (2 SEAT)	Iran, Iraq
	(b) 1 July 2014 - end of 40 <sup>th</sup> Conference (3 SEATS)	Afghanistan, Egypt, Saudi Arabia
NORTH AMERICA	(a) end of 38 <sup>th</sup> Conference - 30 June 2016 (2 SEATS)	Canada, United States of America
SOUTHWEST PACIFIC	(b) 1 July 2014 - end of 40 <sup>th</sup> Conference (1 SEAT)	Australia

- 4. In the case of Europe for the period end of 38<sup>th</sup> Conference (June 2013) 30 June 2016 there are four candidates for three seats and, unless one candidate withdraws, a secret ballot will be held to determine which countries are to be elected
- 5. For both periods, end of 38<sup>th</sup> Conference (June 2013) 30 June 2016 and 1 July 2014 end of 40<sup>th</sup> Conference (June 2017), the number of candidates is the same as the number of seats to be filled for the regions of Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean, Near East, North America and Southwest Pacific. The Committee <u>recommends</u> that, in accordance with Rule XII.10 (a) of the GRO, the Conference elect by clear general consent the candidates nominated for the specified periods for such regions.
- 6. In the case of Europe for the period 1 July 2014 end of 40<sup>th</sup> Conference (June 2017) the number of candidates is at present the same as the number of seats to be filled. However, the unsuccessful candidate for the period end of 38<sup>th</sup> Conference (June 2013) 30 June 2016 is automatically included as a candidate for this second electoral period, and hence a secret ballot would be held, unless this candidate withdraws.<sup>1</sup>
- 7. The Committee also submits to the Conference in <u>Appendix A</u> of this report a list of FAO Member Nations by Region for Council election purposes.

<sup>1</sup> Extract from Rule XXII.10(g) of the General Rules of the Organization:

Candidates who are unsuccessful in the election to fill the vacancy or vacancies occurring in the first calendar year shall be included among the candidates for election to the vacancy or vacancies occurring in the second calendar year, except where they voluntarily withdraw.

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# II. Awards Ceremony

- 8. The General Committee considered the proposal, forwarded to the Conference by the 146<sup>th</sup> Session of Council (April 2013) to hold the Awards Ceremony on an occasion other than the Conference, on the understanding that the proposal would be implemented as of the 39<sup>th</sup> Session of the Conference (June 2015) and reviewed at the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of Conference (June 2017).
- 9. The General Committee <u>recommends</u> that the Conference adopt the following Resolution:

#### Resolution .../2013

## Awards Ceremony

#### THE CONFERENCE,

**<u>Recalling</u>** its previous Resolutions, which established awards in recognition of the achievements of former Directors-General of the Organization:

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

**<u>Recalling</u>** 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;

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

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

**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:

<u>Decides</u> 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;

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

(Adopted on ... June 2013)

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## Appendix A

# **FAO Member Nations by Region for Council election purposes**

#### I. AFRICA

(Member Nations: 49 - Council seats: 12)

Algeria Ethiopia Niger
Angola Gabon Nigeria
Benin Gambia Rwanda

Botswana Ghana Sao Tome and Principe

Burkina Faso Guinea Senegal Guinea-Bissau Seychelles Burundi Cameroon Kenya Sierra Leone Lesotho South Africa Cape Verde Central African Republic Liberia South Sudan Chad Madagascar Swaziland Comoros Malawi Togo Congo Mali Tunisia Mauritania Côte D'Ivoire Uganda

Democratic Republic of Mauritius United Republic of Tanzania

the Congo Morocco Zambia
Equatorial Guinea Mozambique Zimbabwe

Eritrea Namibia

## II. ASIA

(Member Nations: 25 - Council seats: 9)

BangladeshJapanPhilippinesBhutanKazakhstanRepublic of KoreaBrunei DarussalamLao People's Democratic RepublicSingaporeCambodiaMalaysiaSri Lanka

Cambodia Malaysia Sri Lanka
China Maldives Thailand
Democratic People's Mongolia Timor-Leste
Republic of Korea Myanmar Uzbekistan
India Nepal Viet Nam

Indonesia Pakistan

#### III. EUROPE

(Member Nations: 48 - Council seats: 10)

Albania Georgia Portugal

Andorra Germany Republic of Moldova

Armenia Greece Romania

Austria Hungary Russian Federation Azerbaijan Iceland San Marino Belarus Ireland Serbia Belgium Israel Slovakia Bosnia and Italy Slovenia Herzegovina Spain Latvia Sweden Bulgaria Lithuania Croatia Switzerland Luxembourg

CyprusMaltaThe Former YugoslavCzech RepublicMonacoRepublic of Macedonia

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Denmark Montenegro Turkey Estonia Netherlands Ukraine

Finland Norway United Kingdom

France Poland

Member Organization: European Community

Associate Member: Faroe Islands

## IV. LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

(Member Nations: 33 - Council seats: 9)

Antigua and Barbuda Dominican Republic Paraguay Argentina Ecuador Peru

Bahamas El Salvador Saint Kitts and Nevis

Barbados Grenada Saint Lucia

Belize Guatemala Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Bolivia (Plurinational State of) Guyana Suriname

Brazil Haiti Trinidad And Tobago

Chile Honduras Uruguay

Colombia Jamaica Venezuela (Bolivarian

Costa Rica Mexico Republic of)

Cuba Nicaragua Dominica Panama

#### V. NEAR EAST

(Member Nations: 21 - Council seats: 6)

Afghanistan Kuwait Somalia Bahrain Kyrgyzstan Sudan

Djibouti Lebanon Syrian Arab Republic

Egypt Libya Tajikistan
Iran (Islamic Republic of) Oman Turkmenistan

Iraq Qatar United Arab Emirates

Jordan Saudi Arabia Yemen

#### VI. NORTH AMERICA

(Member Nations: 2 - Council seats: 2)

Canada

United States of America

## VII. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

(Member Nations: 16 - Council seats: 1)

Australia Nauru Samoa

Cook Islands New Zealand Solomon Islands

FijiNiueTongaKiribatiPalauTuvaluMarshall IslandsPapua New GuineaVanuatu

Micronesia (Federated States of)

Associate Member: Tokelau