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Rome, 29 November – 10 December 2003

APPOINTMENT OF THE INDEPENDENT CHAIRPERSON OF THE COUNCIL

1. At its Hundred and Twenty-fourth Session, the Council decided that, in accordance with Rule XXIII-1(b) of the General Rules of the Organization, nominations for the office of Independent Chairperson of the Council should be communicated to the Secretary-General of the Conference and Council by 12.00 hours on Friday 5 September 2003.

By the date prescribed, the Secretary-General of the Conference and Council received one 2. nomination, that of Mr Aziz Mekouar (Kingdom of Morocco). Copy of the Curriculum Vitae of the nominee and the transmittal communication are appended.

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NOTE VERBALE

The Embassy of the Kingdom of Morocco, Permanent Representation to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, presents its compliments to the Secretariat-General of the Conference and Council of the Organization, and has the honour to announce that the Government of His Majesty the King has decided to submit the candidature of Mr Aziz MEKOUAR for a second and final term of office as Independent Chairman of the Council of the Organization at the election to be held during the 32nd Session of the Conference, scheduled to take place in Rome from 29 November to 10 December 2003.

The Embassy of the Kingdom of Morocco, Permanent Representation, requests that the Secretariat of the Organization kindly find attached a copy of the Curriculum Vitae of Mr Aziz MEKOUAR.

The Embassy of the Kingdom of Morocco, Permanent Representation to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations in Rome, avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the Organization the assurance of its highest consideration.

Rome, 7 August 2003

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Rome

Curriculum Vitae

Aziz Mekouar

Born 13 November 1950 in Fès, Morocco Married, one child <u>Education</u>

- 1968 Baccalaureate (Science) Charles Lepierre French Lycée in Lisbon, Portugal
- 1974 Graduate Business School (HEC) of Paris, France

Professional experience

1974	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, Rabat
1977	Counsellor in Foreign Affairs, Rabat
1977-1985	First Counsellor, DCM, Embassy of Kingdom of Morocco in Rome
1978-1985	Permanent Representative of Morocco to the Intergovernmental Bureau for Informatics (IBI)
1985-1986	Minister Plenipotentiary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, Rabat
1986-1993	Ambassador of His Majesty the King to Angola
1993-1999	Ambassador of His Majesty the King to Portugal
1999-2002	Ambassador of His Majesty the King to Italy
2002	Ambassador of His Majesty the King to the United States of America

Other activities

1999-2001	Elected Chairman of the FAO Finance Committee
2000	Chairman of the Africa Group of the United Nations agencies based in Rome
2001	Elected Independent Chairman of the Council of FAO by the Conference of FAO

Member and Head of Delegation of Morocco at various international conferences

Theses and studies

1973	Thesis on the fisheries sector in Argentina and its contribution to the development of the country
1974	Studies on the Asia-Dollar and prospective impact on the development of Southeast Asia

1983	Thirty years of Italian foreign policy
1984	Thirty years of Italian domestic policy
	Studies and analyses of the situation in Angola
Lectures and se	eminars
	Facilitator of seminars and keynote speaker on development prospects and investment opportunities in Morocco
	Lectures on political and economic affairs and international relations of Morocco in selected Portuguese and Italian institutions
	Talks on European-Mediterranean and European-African relations
<u>Awards</u>	
	Grand Cross of the Order of Merit of Portugal
	Grand Cross of the Military Order of Christ (Portugal)
	Grand Cross of the Italian Order of Merit
<u>Languages</u>	
	Arabic, English, French, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish