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# CONFERENCE

# **Thirty-sixth Session**

# Rome, 18-23 November 2009

# APPOINTMENT OF THE INDEPENDENT CHAIRPERSON OF THE COUNCIL

1. At its Hundred and Thirty-sixth 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 Monday 7 September 2009.

2. By the date prescribed, the Secretary-General of the Conference and Council received three nominations, namely from France, Gambia and the United Kingdom. It should be noted that two of the three nominations submitted by the Government of Gambia under cover of a Note Verbale from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Cooperation and Gambians Abroad of 12 August 2009 were later withdrawn in Notes Verbales received on 11 September.

3. Copies of the *Curricula Vitae* of the nominees, the transmittal communications and the above mentioned Notes Verbales from Gambia are given in appendix as follows:

<u>Appendix A</u>: Mr Luc Guyau (France)

Appendix B: Ms Fatou Ndeye Gaye (Gambia)

<u>Appendix C</u>: Mr Victor Charles Heard (United Kingdom)

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# Appendix A

Permanent Representation of France to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture in Rome (FAO, WFP, IFAD)

Rome, 7 August 2009

Nº 198

The Permanent Representation of France to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture in Rome (FAO, WFP, IFAD) presents its compliments to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and has the honour to transmit a letter from H.E. Bernard KOUCHNER, French Minister for Foreign and European Affairs, to Mrs Lorraine WILLIAMS, Secretary-General of the Conference of FAO, concerning the nomination of Mr Luc GUYAU for the post of Independent Chairperson of the Council of FAO. This nomination is formally made in accordance with Rules XII.5 and XXIII.1.b of the General Rules of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO).

The Permanent Representation of France to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture in Rome (FAO, WFP, IFAD) avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) the assurance of its highest consideration.

(Stamp of the Representation)

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) Viale delle Terme di Caracalla 00100 Rome

# MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AND EUROPEAN AFFAIRS

FRENCH REPUBLIC PARIS

The Minister

29 July 2009 004298CM

Madam Secretary-General,

I have the honour to inform you of the decision of the Government of the French Republic to submit the candidature of Mr Luc GUYAU for the position of Independent Chairperson of the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), which becomes vacant in November 2009.

Mr Luc GUYAU, whose curriculum vitae is attached, has extensive experience in leading high-level governing bodies, in facilitating dialogue between groups and in building consensus. He has a deep understanding of the field and the difficulties and challenges of agriculture, food supply and food security in the developed and the developing countries, particularly in Africa.

Mr Luc GUYAU holds important national positions, both within public authorities and agricultural organizations. From 1986 to 2001, Mr Luc GUYAU was Secretary-General then President of the National Federation of Farmers' Unions (FNSEA), the principal agricultural body of the French rural world. He is Vice-President of the Economic, Social and Environmental Council, member of its Agriculture Group and president of the Permanent Assembly of Chambers of Agriculture which groups 50 000 agricultural producer associations. This assembly was a founding member of the "French Agriculture and International Development" a structure that was established to assist the rural populations of the Sahel during the great drought of the 1970s.

Mr GUYAU's functions have strengthened his international experience. He is the delegate to the FAO Committee on World Food Security, whose proceedings he follows. He represents French organizations on the Executive Committee of the International Federation of Agricultural Producers (IFAP) and the Committee of Agricultural Organizations of the European Union (COPA). Finally, he is Vice-President of the Permanent Conference of African and French-Speaking Consular Chambers.

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Mrs Lorraine Williams Secretary-General of the Conference of FAO Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations Viale delle Terme di Caracalla 00153 ROME Most of Mr Luc GUYAU's functions are elective. The fact that he has been elected and then regularly re-elected is added confirmation of his ability to understand, respect and communicate with his constituents. Mr GUYAU is an independent man whose unusual trajectory, from field to the highest of positions, is assurance of his open-mindedness and strength of purpose.

In 2006 Mr Luc GUYAU founded the "Terra" literary prize, now known as "TerrEthique", which is aimed at encouraging works on agriculture, food supply and natural resource management for the general public. He is also a founding member of the "Alliés" association which was created to help combat hunger and poverty.

Mr Luc GUYAU is keen to pursue his staunch commitment to the advancement of agriculture, food security and food supply by placing all his expertise and energy at the service of FAO and its Members, as Independent Chairperson of the Council. He has the time required to dedicate himself fully and resolutely to the task.

Please accept, Madam Secretary-General, the assurance of my highest consideration

(Signed)

Bernard KOUCHNER

## CURRICULUM VITAE

# Luc Guyau

# President of the Chambers of Agriculture

Luc GUYAU was born on 21 June 1948 in Thorigny (Vendée). He has been a farmer in this municipality since 1970, collectively working 160 hectares of land with his brother and a nephew. Production is mainly dairy. He is married and has three children.

# **Present functions**

- President of the Permanent Assembly of Chambers of Agriculture (APCA) (since 2001), President of the Chamber of Agriculture of Vendée (since 1995) and, in this capacity, Vice-President of the Chamber of Agriculture of the Territories of the Loire
- Vice-President of the Economic, Social and Environmental Council (CESE) (since 2001)
  - Member of the Agriculture Group and the General Economic Issues and Current Situation Branch since 1992, presenting two reports:
    - The economic and social situation in 2005
    - The primary commodities market: recent price trends and consequences for the economic and social situation (2008)
  - President of the Committee on the Global Food Challenge
    - Production of a widely circulated brochure for World Food Day (16 October 2007).
    - Organizer, with the European Economic and Social Committee, of an international conference on this topic under the French Presidency of the European Union, on 13 November 2008.
  - Delegate of the Economic, Social and Environmental Council at the Interministerial Council for Agriculture and Food. In this capacity and in that of representative of **AICESIS** (International Association of Economic and Social Councils and Similar Institutions), **delegate to the FAO Committee on World Food Security**.
- Representative of French organizations on the Executive Committee of IFAP (International Federation of Agricultural producers) since 1997 and on COPA (Committee of Agricultural Organizations in the European Union) since 1986.
- Vice-President of the Permanent Conference of African and French-Speaking Consular Chambers (CPCCAF), representing the French Chambers of Agriculture.

# **Previous functions**

- President of COPA from 1997 to 1999.
- President of the National Federation of Agricultural Producers (FNSEA) from 1992 to 2001.
- Member of the European Economic and Social Committee from 1990 to 1992.
- President of the National Centre of Young Farmers (CNJA) from 1982 to 1984.
- Member of the European Council of Young Farmers (CEJA) from 1978 to 1984.

# Commitments

- President-Cofounder in 2006 of the literary prize Terra, now "TerrEthique", to promote works on agriculture, food supply and natural resource management for the general public.
- Founding member in 2004 of the 'Alliés' association (Member of the International Alliance Against Hunger), a network of institutional and private emtities supported by FAO, established to help fight hunger and poverty in France and the world.

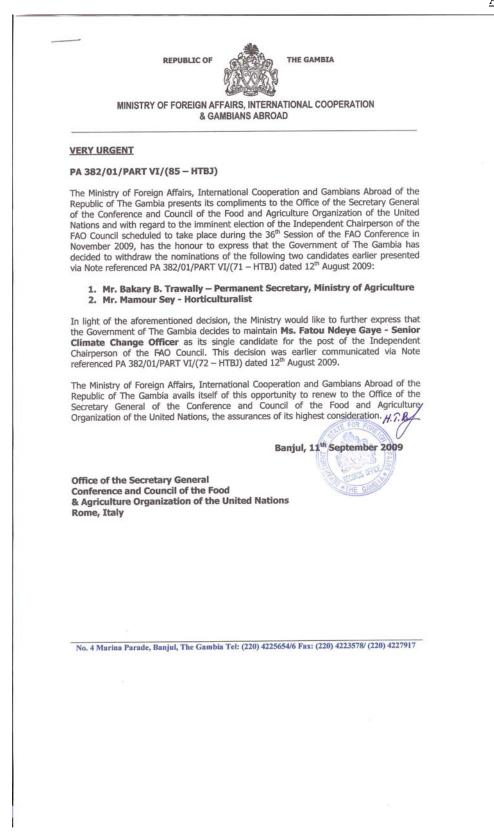
# Awards

- Commander of the Order of Agricultural Merit
- Officer of the Legion of Honour
- Knight of the National Order of Merit
- Bundesverdienstkreuz 1. Klasse

# Publications

- La Terre, les paysans et notre alimentation, le Cherche Midi, 1998
- Le Défi paysan, Le Cherche Midi, 2000
- A quoi sert une Chambre d'agriculture?, Editions de l'Archipel, 2004

### Appendix B



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# Summary of curriculum vitae Fatou Ndeye Gaye

#### Employment

I am presently employed as a Senior Climate Change Officer by the ministry of forestry and the Environment as in addition I am the gender focal point from 6th November to date. In this capacity I am responsible for relevant national and international correspondence on climate change. Some of my other responsibilities include undertaking political outreach, particularly with regards to negotiations of the United Nations Framework on Climate Change (UNFCCC). I also promote regular and informed communications on climate change programmes of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) including new climate change funds, within the GEF family and between to GEF focal point and the UNFCCC focal point.

I worked as Principal Livestock Officer employed by the National Agriculture Development Agency, (NADA), under the ministry of Agriculture, from the 3<sup>rd</sup>. September to October 2008. Since August 1979 to 3<sup>rd</sup>. September 2007, I worked for the Department of Livestock services under the same ministry.

#### Education

I am an accomplished Diploma holder in Animal Health from Egerton University, Kenya, and a post-graduate Diploma holder in both International course on poultry husbandry and International Animal Feed Training programme in the Netherlands. In addition I hold a Diploma in Gender and development, and a certificate in local level management of trees and forests for sustainable land use, a certificate in Animal Heath from A.H.I.T.I., Kenya and Animal Health, the Gambia.

At the Management Development Institute, the Gambia, I am gained certificates in advanced management programme for senior officers, Supervisory management course for civil servants and Management training for senior officers.

#### Work Experience Agriculture

From 1997 to March 2006, I conducted and coordinated training programmes on Animal Health care and management packages which involves, the planning and implementation of disease control strategies, which further involved the effective and efficient hygiene of all products both local and imports. The training were for, Farmer Resource persons (village Auxiliaries) and Extension staff who are Trainers at District and Divisional levels (both theory and practical sessions). I organized Net-working visits (In-Country) and study tours in the sub-region for innovative farmers to have first hand information on success stories, gaps that were identified are bridged during implementation.

Farmer's needs were assessed and training programmes tailored to suit their needs, the preparation of cheap balance feed rations, feed supplements, for poultry, sheep and diary cattle, using locally available feed resources where possible, the trainings were conducted to coincide with farmer's practices. Other management practices are also taught, for example the preparation of feed rations for different categories of animals under various production systems, using locally available feed resources where possible. During training sessions I have always collaborated and consulted with other relevant Government Departments and Non-Governmental organizations.

From 1994 to 1997 I coordinated the Women in Development, Livestock Sub-component, funded by the UNDP. A total of over 18,000 women were reached during the five-year period of the project, in ten percent (200) of the total villages in the Gambia.

From 2003 to 2005, I was the Liaison Officer between the department of livestock services and the Rural Finance Community Initiative Project funded by IFAD where I coordinated programmes where farmers are identified for financing of projects.

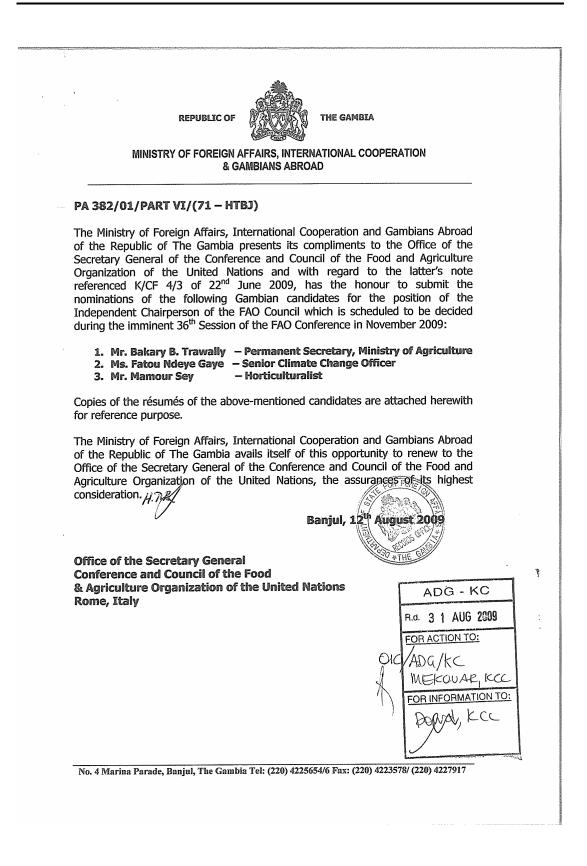
In 1990 to 1993 I was an assistant Divisional Veterinary Officer (D.V.O.) and Acting D.V.O

I assisted the D.V.O on the disease control activities in the division. I also implemented vaccination protocols, in addition to monitoring the then UNDP sheep and goats fattening project at Y.B.K. by: weighing animals, processing of parasitological samples and instituted de-worming programme, maintained pens, fodder trees, pasture fields and watering points.

I coordinated the small-scale rural poultry project funded by the European Development Fund (EDF) in the Upper River Division, which involved feed supplementation and formulation, and the design of houses for back yard

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## Appendix C

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### NOTE VERBALE

The United Kingdom Permanent Representation to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture in Rome presents its compliments to the Secretary General of the Conference and Council of the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations. With reference to the FAO's note K/CF 4/3 of 22 June 2009 concerning the submission of candidates for Independent Chairperson of the Council, it has the honour to inform the latter that the Government of the United Kingdom wishes to present the candidature of Mr Vic Heard for that post for the period 2009-2011 at the election to be held during the in November 2009.

The United Kingdom considers that the paramount task for the Independent Chairperson will be to ensure continuation of the progress that has been made in the reform of FAO over the coming years. This is vitally important if FAO is to meet the challenges of eradicating hunger and tackling climate change through achieving the aims the membership has agreed for it.

A *curriculum vitae* for Vic Heard is attached. Mr Heard has had an extensive and broad career in international development including a recent and deep engagement in the FAO reform process. He will retire from government service in September 2009. In the view of the United Kingdom Government he is uniquely qualified to undertake the role of Independent Chairperson of the Council.

The United Kingdom Representation has received a number of offers to vote for our candidate for the Independent Chairperson in return for our voting for certain candidates elsewhere in the UN system. We have declined these as we believe Members should vote for the person they feel best able to do the job. The United Kingdom Permanent Representation to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture in Rome avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary General of the Conference and Council its assurances of its highest consideration.

United Kingdom Permanent Representation to the United Nations Agencies for Food & Agriculture in Rome Via di Monserrato 48/1 00186 Rome



20 August 2009

United Kingdom Permanent Representation to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Agencies in Rome

Jim Harvey Ambassador Permanent Representative

14 July 2009

Excellency,

The United Kingdom Permanent Representation to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture in Rome presents its compliments and has the honour to inform you that the Government of the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland wishes to nominate **Vic Heard** as a candidate for the office of Independent Chair of the Council of FAO, which will become vacant in November this year.

In our view it will be vital for any successor to Professor Noori to be able to maintain the membership's full support for the renewal of FAO.

We are also conscious of the increased importance of the role of the Independent Chair in the new arrangements set out in the Immediate Plan of Action. This makes it more important than ever that the incumbent should be as fully independent as possible. Vic will retire from government service in September. He will therefore be both independent – a private citizen – and fully available to undertake the role of Chair for the six to eight months of the year envisaged in the Immediate Plan of Action.

As colleagues in Rome will know, Vic has had a central role in all stages of the renewal process beginning with the committee that drew up the Terms of Reference for the Independent External Evaluation in 2005 and, most recently, as chair of Working Group I of the Conference Committee for the Independent External Evaluation. He has also served as Chair of the FAO Programme Committee. All of this has provided him with deep insights into the working of FAO and its role in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Rome-based colleagues will also be aware of Vic's first-rate skills as problem solver and consensus builder.

I attach a short CV to help put this in the context of his lifetime career with the Department for International Development (and its forerunners) working closely with governments, the United Nations and other parts of the multilateral system.

JH 14-Jul-09

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The UK's position on international appointments is that we wish to encourage fields of good quality candidates together with open, transparent and merit-based selection processes. We welcome other nominations to help provide that field. We have been encouraged by the many voices of support from colleagues across all regions of FAO. However, should it appear over the coming months that Vic is not the preferred candidate of the European Regional Group we would be prepared to withdraw his nomination.

We believe Vic to be a first-rate candidate and have every confidence in nominating him.

Assuring you of my highest consideration.



### VIC HEARD

# CANDIDATE FOR INDEPENDENT CHAIR OF THE FAO COUNCIL

Name:	Victor Charles Heard
Born:	18 May 1946
Nationality:	United Kingdom
Education:	University of London University of Exeter Open University

**Career summary:** Vic is a specialist in the planning, administration and management of international development programmes. He began his career as a development volunteer in Kiribati (1966 to 1967). Since then he has undertaken assignments in more than 80 countries. He has represented the United Kingdom to and worked with numerous international bodies including the FAO; IFAD; UNESCO; the ILO Child Labour Committee/International Programme for the Eradication of Child Labour; ECOSOC; UNDP; UNICEF; UNFPA; OECD Development Assistance Committee; the European Commission; and the Interim Mekong Committee. Vic's most recent position, as Deputy Permanent Representative in Rome has given him an unrivalled understanding of FAO and its renewal process. He has demonstrated how to bring membership and management together, how to build trust and above all how to get things done.

#### Recent Offices held in FAO Governance system:

- > UK Presidency of the EU, July to December 2005
- > Chair ICAARD drafting group
- > Chair of European Regional Group, January to June 2006
- > Chair of OECD Group, July to December 2007
- > Chair Programme Committee, November 2006 to September 2009
- Chair Working Group I of the Conference Committee for the Independent External Evaluation January, 2008 to September 2009

Employment Status: Retired from UK Government service in September 2009.

Career history: 2005 to 2009

2003 to 2005

1999 to 2002

1997 to 1998

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UK Permanent Representation to FAO, Rome, Italy Deputy Permanent Representative
UK Department for International Development, Tegucigalpa, Honduras Country Director
UK Mission to the United Nations, New York ECOSOC coordinator
European Commission, Brussels Programme coordinator, Central Asia and Moldova, EuropeAid,
Department for International Development, London Head, Corporate Social Responsibility Unit

- 1995 to 1997 UK Overseas Development Administration Head, UN Development System section, United Nations and Commonwealth Department
- 1993 to 1994 UK Overseas Development Administration Head, Aid Systems and Donor Liaison Unit, Aid Policy Department
   1991 to 1993 UK Overseas Development Administration Head of Parliamentary Unit and Private Secretary to
- Minister for Overseas Development1988 to 1991UK Overseas Development Administration<br/>Head, Near East and Mediterranean Section1986 to 1988UK Overseas Development Administration<br/>Assistant, Pakistan and Afghanistan Section
- 1982 to 1986 UK Overseas Development Administration Regional Programmes Adviser, South East Asia Development Division, Bangkok

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