

August 1995



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# CONFERENCE

## Twenty-eighth Session

Rome, 20 October - 2 November

### APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL

1. The Hundred and Eighth Session of the Council decided, in accordance with Rule XXIII-1(b) of the General Rules of the Organization, that nominations for the office of Independent Chairman of the Council should be communicated to the Secretary-General of the Conference and Council by 12.00 hours on Friday, 18 August 1995.
2. By the date prescribed, the Secretary-General of the Conference and Council had received one nomination that of Mr José Ramón López Portillo Romano (Mexico). Copies of the Curriculum Vitae of the nominee and the transmittal communication are appended.

The Permanent Representation of Mexico to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations extends its greetings to the Secretary General of the Conference and Council of FAO, and has the honour to inform that the Government of Mexico has decided to nominate Mr. José Ramón López Portillo Romano for re-election to the office of Independent Chairman of the FAO Council for 1995-1997 biennium, during the 28th Session of the Conference of FAO to be held in Rome in November 1995.

The Permanent Representation attaches the Curriculum Vitae of Mr. López Portillo Romano and would be very grateful if the Secretary General would kindly notify the Member Nations of FAO of this candidature in accordance with the Rules of FAO.

The Permanent Representation of Mexico to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations takes this opportunity to renew to the Secretary General of the Conference and Council the assurance of its highest consideration.

Rome, 27 February 1995

Appendix: as indicated

THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF MEXICO  
To the Food and Agriculture Organization  
of the United Nations  
FAO  
Rome, Italy.

To the Secretary General of the  
Conference and Council of the  
Food and Agriculture Organization  
of the United Nations  
Rome.

**CURRICULUM VITAE****PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Name: JOSE RAMON LOPEZ PORTILLO  
Date and place of birth: Mexico City, 2 February 1954  
Nationality: Mexican  
Marital status: Married  
Languages: Spanish, English, German, Italian, (basic) French

**EDUCATION**

School: Alexander von Humboldt (1960-1972)  
University: B.Sc. in Economics  
Anahuac University, Mexico (1972-1976)  
(honourable mention for highest grade average)  
Thesis: "El desarrollismo en México"  
(honourable mention, professional examination)  
Postgraduate: Ph.D. candidate (Doctor of Philosophy)  
Political Science, St. Antony's College,  
University of Oxford (1989)

**PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND**

Government activities: Director-General of Documentation and Analysis, Secretariat of State  
for Planning and Federal Budget, SPFB, (1976-1980)  
Chairman of the Federal Commission on Documentation (1977-1981)  
Chairman of the Federal Commission on Government Publications  
and Information (1977-1981)  
Subsecretary of Evaluation, SPFB (1980-1981)  
Member of the Intersecretarial Commission on the Public  
Transportation System  
Member of the Intersecretarial Commission on Federal Roads  
and Bridges  
Member of the Intersecretarial Commission for the Environment  
Political activities: Research Investigator of the Instituto de Estudios Políticos,  
Económicos y Sociales of the Partido Revolucionario Institucional,  
PRI (1975-1976)  
General Coordinator of Documentation and Evaluation of the PRI  
National Executive Committee (1981-1982)  
Chairman of the Information and Evaluation Coordinating Committee,  
of the PRI Executive National Committee (1981-1982)

- Foreign Service Activities: Permanent Representative of Mexico to FAO, WFP, WFC and IFAD (1983-1988)
- Chairman of the Latin American and Caribbean Group (1983)
- Chairman of Commission I of the Twenty-second Session of the Conference of FAO (1983)
- Chairman of the Sectorial Meeting on Agriculture and Informatics (IBI-FAO, Tunis, 1983)
- Head of the Mexican Delegation to the Global Meeting on Economic Cooperation among Developing Countries in the Food and Agriculture Sector, of the Group of 77 (Bucharest, 1983)
- Governor for Mexico at the Governing Council of IFAD (1984-1988)
- Executive Director for Mexico of the Executive Board of IFAD (1985-1988)
- Alternate Delegate to Ministerial Meetings of the WFC (1983-1988)
- Chairman of the Group of 77 (FAO, 1985)
- Chairman of the Drafting Committee of Commission II of the Conference of FAO (1987)
- International activities in Food and Agriculture: Member of the FAO Programme Committee (1989)
- Chairman of the Working Group on Food Security of the Declaration of Barcelona "The Food Rights of Man" (1991-1992)
- Participation in meetings on Plant Genetic Resources of the "Keystone International Dialogue Series of Plant Genetic Resources" (1989-1991)
- Member of the FAO Programme Committee (1991-1993)
- Independent Chairman of the FAO Council (1993 to present)
- Publication of articles in international magazines and periodicals

Rome, February 1995

THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF MEXICO  
to the Food and Agriculture Organization  
of the United Nations  
FAO  
Rome, Italy