Agenda of the Joint Meeting of Working Groups I and III Tuesday 9 September 2008

Afternoon 14:00 – 17:00 King Faisal room (D263)

- 1) Chair's Introduction
- 2) Headquarters Organizational Structure
 - a) recall of previous discussion;
 - b) presentation by management;
 - c) discussion
- 3) Possible adjustments in the programme of work during 2009 to fund 2009 IPA costs overall discussion of issues including questions such as:
 - a) can one-time windfall gains or efficiency gains be identified beyond the US\$ 22.1 million efficiency savings mandated by the 2007 Conference to fund up-front investment costs of reforms (e.g. from early actions, quick wins);
 - b) can adjustments be made in the 2009 programme of work to absorb some initiatives in the IPA:
 - c) use of extra-budgetary resources:
 - i) any possibilities for funding parts of the programme of work during 2009 through firm extra-budgetary resources freeing resources for investment costs of reform;
 - ii) possibilities for firm voluntary funding commitments to support reform.
 - d) can authorization be given to use FAO reserve funds (e.g. Special Reserve Account).

After a preliminary exchange of views in the joint working groups, issues and detailed modalities could be referred to the Finance Committees for supporting expert advice.