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Enabling poor rural people
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Commemoration of Governing Council Chairpersons

Note to Executive Board representatives

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For: Information

1. This item is included on the agenda of the 105th session of the Executive Board at the request of the representative of Cameroon, as conveyed in an e-mail communication dated 2 February 2012.
2. Relevant excerpts from the notes of the meetings of Convenors and Friends recording discussions held on the issue of the commemoration of Governing Council Chairpersons are provided below:

Convenors and Friends' meeting of 19 November 2010:

"Agenda item 3 – Other business: (c) commemorative plaque for Governing Council Chairpersons. At the suggestion of the Convenor of sub-List C1, the meeting decided that the establishment of a commemorative plaque should be considered, in order to recognize and commemorate the Chairpersons of the Governing Council of IFAD. A proposal in this regard would be prepared by Management and presented to the Convenors and Friends."

Convenors and Friends' meeting of 1 February 2012:

"Agenda item 4.d: Portraits of past Governing Council chairs: Following discussion on the same topic during the meeting of the Convenors and Friends of November 2010, the Convenor of sub-List C1 reiterated the request that a plaque to commemorate the Chairpersons of the Governing Council of IFAD be established. After discussion, it was suggested that Cameroon send a note to the Secretary to include this item for discussion by the Executive Board."

Convenors and Friends' meeting of 22 March 2012:

"Regarding the Board agenda item on Commemoration of Chairpersons of the Governing Council, the representative of Cameroon requested that a document be prepared by the Secretariat in this respect. The President indicated that, as the item was introduced on the agenda at the request of an Executive Board member, presentation of the initiative would have to come from such member. The Convenor of List A stressed that such a note was premature given that the principle of the proposal had not been discussed yet by the Board."