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1. At its ninety-eighth session in December 2009, the Executive Board adopted a resolution amending its Rules of Procedure by inclusion of a new lapse-of-time procedure, effective 1 January 2010 (EB 2009/98/R.15/Rev.1), with the understanding that at each Board session IFAD Management would submit an information note listing all projects/programmes approved through the lapse-of-time procedure in the preceding period.
2. Pursuant to the above, Management wishes to inform the Board that in the period between the September and December 2012 Executive Board sessions:
 - (i) The following grants under the global/regional grants window to CGIAR-supported international centres were approved on 23 September 2012, by adoption of the following resolutions contained in document EB 2012/LOT/G.4:

“RESOLVED: that the Fund, in order to finance, in part, the Integrated Crop-Livestock Conservation Agriculture for Sustainable Intensification of Cereal-based Systems in North Africa and Central Asia Programme, shall provide a grant not exceeding one million five hundred thousand United States dollars (US\$1,500,000) to the International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA) for a three-year programme upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented to the Executive Board herein.

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Fund, in order to finance, in part, the programme on Innovative Beef Value Chain Development Schemes in Southern Africa, shall provide a grant not exceeding nine hundred and forty-one thousand nine hundred and five United States dollars (US\$941,905) to the International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) for a three-year programme upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented to the Executive Board herein.”
 - (ii) The following grant under the global/regional grants window to a non-CGIAR-supported international centre was approved on 27 September 2012, by adoption of the following resolution contained in document EB 2012/LOT/G.5:

“RESOLVED: that the Fund, in order to finance, in part, Strengthening Country-level Agricultural Advisory Services in the target countries of Burkina Faso, Malawi, Mozambique, Sierra Leone and Uganda, shall make a grant not exceeding one million United States dollars (US\$1,000,000) to the African Forum for Agricultural Advisory Services for a two-year programme upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented to the Executive Board herein.”
 - (iii) The following grant under the global/regional grants window to a non-CGIAR-supported international centre was approved on 13 October 2012, by adoption of the following resolution contained in document EB 2012/LOT/G.6:

“RESOLVED: that the Fund, in order to finance, in part, the Inclusive Business Models to Promote Sustainable Cassava Production Project, shall

provide a grant not exceeding one million one hundred ninety-nine thousand United States dollars (US\$1,199,000) to the SNV Netherlands Development Organisation for a two-year programme upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented to the Executive Board herein.”

- (iv) The President’s memorandum on the proposed supplementary loan and grant to the Republic of the Philippines for the Rapid Food Production Enhancement Programme – Rehabilitation of Key Agricultural Infrastructure Damaged by Tropical Storm Sendong was approved on 29 November 2012, by adoption of the following resolutions contained in document EB 2012/LOT/P.4:

“RESOLVED: that the Fund shall provide a loan on intermediate terms to the Republic of the Philippines in an amount equivalent to one million five hundred and thirty thousand special drawing rights (SDR 1,530,000), and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein.

RESOLVED FURTHER: that the Fund shall provide a grant to the Republic of the Philippines in an amount equivalent to eight hundred and fifty thousand special drawing rights (SDR 850,000) and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein.”

- (v) The following grant under the global/regional grants window to a non-CGIAR-supported international centre was approved on 29 November 2012, by adoption of the following resolution contained in document EB 2012/LOT/G.7:

“RESOLVED: that the Fund, in order to finance, in part, the programme on Enhancing the Access of Poor Rural People to Sustainable Financial Services through Policy Dialogue, Capacity-Building and Knowledge-Sharing in Rural Finance, shall make a grant not exceeding one million and one hundred thousand United States dollars (US\$1,100,000) to the Asia-Pacific Rural and Agricultural Credit Association for a three-year programme upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented to the Executive Board herein.”

- (vi) The following grant under the global/regional grants window to a non-CGIAR-supported international centre was approved on 29 November 2012, by adoption of the following resolution contained in document EB 2012/LOT/G.8:

“RESOLVED: that the Fund, in order to finance, in part, the Support to Farmers’ Organizations in Africa Programme (SFOAP) – Main Phase, shall provide a grant not exceeding five hundred thousand United States dollars (US\$500,000) to the Eastern Africa Farmers Federation (EAFB), a grant not exceeding five hundred thousand United States dollars (US\$500,000) to the Plateforme Sous-régionale des Organisations Paysannes d’Afrique Centrale (PROPAC), a grant not exceeding five hundred thousand United States dollars (US\$500,000) to the Réseau des Organisations Paysannes et de Producteurs de l’Afrique de l’Ouest (ROPPA), a grant not exceeding five hundred thousand United States dollars (US\$500,000) to the Southern African Confederation of Agricultural Unions (SACAU), a grant not exceeding seventy-six thousand nine hundred and ten United States dollars (US\$76,910) to the Union Maghrébine des Agriculteurs (UMAGRI) and a

grant not exceeding four hundred twenty-three thousand and ninety United States dollars (US\$423,090) to the Formation pour l'Épanouissement et le Renouveau de la Terre (FERT) for a five-year programme upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented to the Executive Board herein."

- (vii) The following grant under the global/regional grants window to a non-CGIAR-supported international centre was approved on 29 November 2012, by adoption of the following resolution contained in document EB 2012/LOT/G.9:
- "RESOLVED: that the Fund, in order to finance, in part, the Smallholder Access to Markets in Bosnia and Herzegovina and Egypt Programme, shall make a grant not exceeding one million and three hundred thousand United States dollars (US\$1,300,000) to Oxfam Italia upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented to the Executive Board herein."
- (viii) The following grant under the global/regional grants window to a non-CGIAR-supported international centre was approved on 29 November 2012, by adoption of the following resolution contained in document EB 2012/LOT/G.10:
- "RESOLVED: that the Fund, in order to finance, in part, the project for Mobilizing Public-Private Partnerships in Support of Women-led Small Business Development, shall make a grant not exceeding one million three hundred thousand United States dollars (US\$1,300,000) to the Aga Khan Foundation for a four-year project upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented to the Executive Board herein."
- (ix) The following grant under the global/regional grants window to a non-CGIAR-supported international centre was approved on 29 November 2012, by adoption of the following resolution contained in document EB 2012/LOT/G.11:
- "RESOLVED: that the Fund, in order to finance, in part, the project Plantwise, a country-based approach to improving farmer livelihoods through reduced crop losses and increased productivity, shall provide a grant not exceeding one million four hundred thousand United States dollars (US\$1,400,000) to the Centre for Agricultural Bioscience International (CABI) for a three-year project upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented to the Executive Board herein."
- (x) The following grant under the global/regional grants window to a non-CGIAR-supported international centre was approved on 29 November 2012, by adoption of the following resolution contained in document EB 2012/LOT/G.12:
- "RESOLVED: that the Fund, in order to finance, in part, the Programme for Promoting Local Economic Development and Food Security through Local Development Financing in the Decentralized Contexts of IFAD Country Programmes, shall provide a grant not exceeding nine hundred thousand United States dollars (US\$900,000) to the United Nations Capital Development Fund for a three-year programme upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented to the Executive Board herein."

- (xi) The President's memorandum on the proposed supplementary loan and grant to the Arab Republic of Egypt for the On-farm Irrigation Development Project in the Oldlands was approved on 2 December 2012, by adoption of the following resolutions contained in document EB 2012/LOT/P.5:
- "RESOLVED: that the Fund shall provide a supplementary loan on ordinary terms to the Arab Republic of Egypt in an amount equivalent to eight million seven hundred and seventy thousand special drawing rights (SDR 8,770,000), and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein.
- RESOLVED FURTHER: that the Fund shall provide a supplementary grant to the Arab Republic of Egypt in an amount equivalent to three hundred and thirty thousand special drawing rights (SDR 330,000), and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein."
- (xii) The President's report on the proposed grant to Eritrea for the National Agriculture Project was approved on 2 December 2012, by adoption of the following resolution contained in document EB 2012/LOT/P.6:
- "RESOLVED: that the Fund shall provide a grant to Eritrea in an amount equivalent to eleven million four hundred thousand special drawing rights (SDR 11,400,000) and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein."
- (xiii) The President's memorandum on the proposed supplementary loans and grant to the Republic of Lebanon for the Hilly Areas Sustainable Agricultural Development Project was approved on 2 December 2012, by adoption of the following resolutions contained in document EB 2012/LOT/P.7:
- "RESOLVED: that the Fund shall provide a supplementary loan on ordinary terms to the Republic of Lebanon, in an amount equivalent to approximately two million seven hundred ninety three thousand special drawing rights (SDR 2,793,000), and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein.
- RESOLVED FURTHER: that the Fund shall provide a supplementary grant to the Republic of Lebanon, in an amount equivalent to approximately three hundred twenty four thousand special drawing rights (SDR 324,000), and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein.
- RESOLVED FURTHER: that the Spanish Food Security Cofinancing Facility Trust Fund, acting through IFAD in its capacity as Trustee, shall provide a loan on ordinary terms to the Republic of Lebanon, in an amount equivalent to seven million five hundred ten thousand euros (EUR 7,510,000), and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein."
- (xiv) The President's memorandum on the proposed supplementary loan and grant to the Republic of Sierra Leone for the Rehabilitation and Community-Based Poverty Reduction Project was approved on 2 December 2012, by adoption of the following resolutions contained in document EB 2012/LOT/P.8:
- "RESOLVED: that the Fund shall provide a supplementary loan on highly concessional terms to the Republic of Sierra Leone in an amount equivalent to four million two hundred thousand and fifteen special drawing rights (SDR

4.215 million), and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein.

RESOLVED FURTHER: that the Fund shall provide a supplementary grant to the Republic of Sierra Leone in an amount equivalent to four million two hundred thousand and fifteen special drawing rights (SDR 4.215 million), and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein.”

- (xv) The President’s memorandum on the proposed supplementary grant to the Republic of Burundi for the Value Chain Development Programme was approved on 9 December 2012, by adoption of the following resolution contained in document EB 2012/LOT/P.9:

RESOLVED: that the Fund shall provide a supplementary grant to the Republic of Burundi in an amount equivalent to four million three hundred thousand special drawing rights (SDR 4,300,000), and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein.

- (xvi) The President’s memorandum on the proposed supplementary loan to Georgia for the Agricultural Support Project was approved on 9 December 2012, by adoption of the following resolution contained in document EB 2012/LOT/P.10:

“RESOLVED: that the Fund shall provide a supplementary loan on hardened terms to Georgia in an amount equivalent to three million two hundred and fifty thousand special drawing rights (SDR 3,250,000), and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein.”

- (xvii) The President’s report on the proposed loans to the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela for the Integrated and Sustainable Development Project for the Arid Zones in the States of Nueva Esparta and Sucre (PROSANESU) was approved on 9 December 2012, by adoption of the following resolutions contained in the addendum to document EB 2012/LOT/P.11:

“RESOLVED: that the Fund shall provide a loan on ordinary terms to the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela in an amount equivalent to four million five hundred and fifty-five thousand special drawing rights (SDR 4,550,000) (equivalent to approximately US\$7.0 million), and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein.

RESOLVED FURTHER: that the Spanish Food Security Cofinancing Facility Trust Fund, acting through IFAD in its capacity as the Trustee of the Trust, shall provide a loan on ordinary terms to the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela in an amount equivalent to ten million seven hundred and ten thousand euros (EUR 10,710,000) (equivalent to approximately US\$15.0 million), and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein.”

- (xviii) The following grant under the global/regional grants window to a non-CGIAR-supported international centre was approved on 9 December 2012, by adoption of the following resolution contained in document EB 2012/LOT/G.13:

“RESOLVED: that the Fund, in order to finance, in part, the programme Securing Access to Land for the Rural Poor with the International Land

Coalition, shall provide a grant not exceeding two million United States dollars (US\$2,000,000) to the International Land Coalition for a two-year programme upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented to the Executive Board herein."

- (xix) The following grant under the global/regional grants window to a non-CGIAR-supported international centre was approved on 9 December 2012, by adoption of the following resolution contained in document EB 2012/LOT/G.14:

"RESOLVED: that the Fund, in order to finance, in part, the "Enhancing the CABFIN partnership's delivery of policy guidance, capacity development and global learning to foster financial innovations and inclusive investments for agricultural and rural development" programme, shall provide a grant not exceeding five hundred sixty thousand United States dollars (US\$560,000) to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations for a three-year programme upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented to the Executive Board herein."

- (xx) The President's report on the proposed grant to the Republic of The Gambia for the National Agricultural Land and Water Management Development Project was approved on 9 December 2012, by adoption of the following resolution contained in document EB 2012/LOT/P.12:

"RESOLVED: that the Fund shall provide a grant to the Republic of The Gambia in an initial amount equivalent to thirteen million one hundred and fifty thousand special drawing rights (SDR 13,150,000) and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein."

Resource coverage for this proposal was approved on 13 December 2012 with the Board's approval of the use of the advance commitment authority in accordance with the recommendation for approval contained in document EB 2012/107/R.13.

- (xxi) The President's memorandum on the proposed supplementary loan and grant to the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal for the Poverty Alleviation Fund Project – Phase II was approved on 9 December 2012, by adoption of the following resolutions contained in document EB 2012/LOT/P.13:

"RESOLVED: that the Fund shall provide a loan on highly concessional terms to the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal in an amount equivalent to three million two hundred fifty thousand special drawing rights (SDR 3,250,000), and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein.

RESOLVED FURTHER: that the Fund shall provide a supplementary DSF grant to the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal in an amount equivalent to three million two hundred fifty thousand special drawing rights (SDR 3,250,000) and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein."

Resource coverage for this proposal was approved on 13 December 2012 with the Board's approval of the use of the advance commitment authority in accordance with the recommendation for approval contained in document EB 2012/107/R.13.

- (xxii) Furthermore the following proposals were submitted to the Executive Board for approval under LOT with deadline for comments after the December Board session:

Deadline 12 December 2012

- CARDNE: Programme for Impact and Scaling-up Pathways to the Regional Centre on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development for the Near East (EB 2012/LOT/G.15).

The representative of the United States specified that due to her country's legislative mandates, the United States cannot join in the consensus approval with regard to the Programme for Impact and Scaling-up Pathways to the Regional Centre on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development for the Near East for CARDNE.

- Philippines: Integrated Natural Resources and Environmental Management Project (EB 2012/LOT/P.14)

Deadline 14 December 2012

- ICARDA: Knowledge Management in CACILM II (EB 2012/LOT/G.16)
- AfricaRice: Strengthening Rice Value Chains in West and Central Africa (EB 2012/LOT/G.17)

Deadline 16 December 2012

- Kyrgyzstan: Livestock and Market Development Programme (EB 2012/LOT/P.15)
- Tunisia: Agropastoral Development and Local Initiatives Promotion Programme in the South East - Phase II (EB 2012/LOT/P.16)

Deadline 19 December 2012

- Republic of The Sudan: Scaling-up the Agricultural Bank of Sudan Microfinance Initiative (ABSUMI) (EB 2012/LOT/G.18)

The representative of the United States specified that due to her country's legislative mandates, the United States cannot join in the consensus approval with regard to the Scaling-up the Agricultural Bank of Sudan Microfinance Initiative (ABSUMI) in the Republic of The Sudan.

- Deadline 2 January 2013
- Trade4All Limited: Cash-on-the-Bag - Scaling up a secure, transparent trading business model for smallholders in East Africa (EB 2012/LOT/G.19)