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Application for non-original membership

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For: Approval

Recommendation for approval

The Executive Board is invited to consider the application of the Republic of Vanuatu for admission to the International Fund for Agricultural Development, and recommend, if it deems appropriate, to the Governing Council that the Republic of Vanuatu be admitted to membership to the Fund, as per the draft resolution contained in page 2 herewith.

Application for non-original membership

1. By a letter dated 15 November 2012, signed by the Honourable Alfred Rollen Carlot, Member of Parliament and Minister for Foreign Affairs and External Trade of the Republic of Vanuatu, the Republic of Vanuatu applied for non-original membership with the International Fund for Agricultural Development, in accordance with Articles 3.1(a), 3.2(b) and 13.1(c) of the Agreement Establishing the International Fund for Agricultural Development ("Fund").
2. The Republic of Vanuatu has been a member of the United Nations since 15 September 1981.
3. The Republic of Vanuatu wishes to make an initial contribution to the Fund, in accordance with Article 4 of the Agreement Establishing IFAD, of US\$500 upon approval of its membership application.

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Approval of non-original Members of the Fund

The Governing Council,

Taking into account articles 3.1 (a), 3.2(b) and 13.1(c) of the Agreement Establishing IFAD and section 10 of the By-laws for the Conduct of the Business of IFAD;

Considering that non-original Members of the Fund shall be those States members of the United Nations or any of its specialized agencies that, after the approval of their membership by the Governing Council, become parties to the Agreement Establishing the International Fund for Agricultural Development by depositing an instrument of accession with the Secretary-General of the United Nations;

Considering that the Republic of Vanuatu has been a member of the United Nations since September 1981;

Considering therefore that the Republic of Vanuatu is eligible for membership in the Fund;

Having considered the application for non-original membership by the Republic of Vanuatu transmitted to the Council in document GC _____, and the recommendation of the Executive Board that the Republic of Vanuatu should be admitted to membership in the International Fund for Agricultural Development;

Taking note of the initial contribution amount proposed by the Republic of Vanuatu of US\$500, upon approval of its membership application;

Approves the membership of the Republic of Vanuatu;

Tasks the President to notify the Secretary General of the United Nations of this decision.