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- 1. At its 120th session, the Executive Board approved the Republic of Cameroon as the destination for its country visit in 2019. Three dates were identified for this visit and presented to the Board at its 123rd session.¹ The representative for Cameroon advised that national holidays and other important events in the country should be taken into account with a view to identifying the best option.
- 2. The Executive Board agreed that the Office of the Secretary would consult with Convenors and Friends on the dates of the visit to Cameroon in 2019. The Board would then decide on the exact dates through a vote by correspondence.
- 3. Further to this decision, the representative for Cameroon later confirmed that 22-26 July 2019 would be the best period for the visit. The Convenors and Friends were consulted and agreed to these dates at an informal meeting on 8 May 2018.
- 4. Accordingly, Executive Board members and alternates were invited to cast their votes through a vote by correspondence.
- 5. As of the close of voting at midnight (Rome time), 4 June 2018, the number of votes required for validation had been received, as well as those necessary for the approval of the proposed dates for the Executive Board country visit to Cameroon in 2019. Under rule 23 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board, a vote is considered valid if replies are received from members having at least two thirds (3,307.351) of the total number of votes in the Executive Board (4,961.026). Under rule 19.1, all decisions of the Board are to be taken by a majority of three fifths of the votes cast, provided that such majority consists of more than one half of the total votes in the Executive Board, while rule 19.3 specifies that votes cast shall mean affirmative and negative votes.
- 6. Replies constituting 4,843.650 votes (approximately 97.6 per cent of the total of 4,961.026) were received from Executive Board members or their alternates by the prescribed deadline. Thus the requirement of rule 23 was met. A total of 4806.571 votes were cast, and all were cast in favour of the proposed dates, thereby meeting the requirement under rule 19. A total of 37.079 votes were recorded as abstentions. No negative votes were received.
- 7. Thus, the Executive Board approved the proposed dates of 22-26 July for the IFAD Executive Board Country Visit to Cameroon in 2019. The Executive Board was informed of the results of the vote by correspondence in a communication issued by the President of IFAD dated 14 June 2018.

¹ See document EB 2018/123/R.27.