Results of the Vote by Correspondence: Dates for the Executive Board country visit in 2021

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For: **Information**
Distinguished Executive Board Representatives,

In accordance with rule 23 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board, which prescribes that the President shall notify all members and alternates of the results of votes by correspondence, I am pleased to inform you of the positive outcome of the vote by correspondence – as referred to in the communication attached to consider document EB 2020/129/R.28/Add.1 and approve 25-29 October 2021 as the dates for the Executive Board country visit to Sierra Leone.

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 (3,697.952) of the total number of votes in the Executive Board (5,546,927). 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. Rule 19.3 specifies that “votes cast” shall mean affirmative and negative votes.

Replies constituting 4572.393 votes (approximately 82.4 per cent of the total of 5,546,927 votes) were received from Executive Board members or their alternates by the deadline. Thus the requirement of rule 23 was met. All the votes cast (81.2 per cent of the total votes) were in favour of the proposal, meeting the majority required by rule 19. 1.2 per cent of the votes received were recorded as abstention.

The Executive Board, therefore, approved 25-29 October 2021 as the dates for the Executive Board country visit to Sierra Leone.

Accept, Distinguished Representatives, the assurance of my highest consideration.


Gilbert F. Houngbo

Executive Board Representatives of the International Fund for Agricultural Development and respective recipients of copies for information
Approval through vote by correspondence of the proposed dates for the Executive Board country visit in 2021

Distinguished Executive Board Representatives,

The Executive Board approved, through a vote by correspondence, the draft rolling plan for its country visits for the next three years, as contained in document EB 2020/129/R.28. Sufficient votes to approve one of the proposed dates for the 2021 Executive Board country visit were not received. Management has, therefore, revisited the proposal and submits for the Board’s consideration, document EB 2020/129/R.28/Add.1. The Board is invited to consider the proposal contained therein and approve the related recommendation through a vote by correspondence, in accordance with rule 23 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board.

Executive Board representatives are invited to cast the votes of the members they represent in favour of, against, or to abstain with respect to each of these proposals. A written reply, specifying the vote cast ("yes", "no" or "abstain") should be submitted by midnight (Rome time), Friday, 12 June 2020.

In accordance with rule 23 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board, representatives are kindly reminded that:

(a) Members and alternate members may cast a "yes", "no" or "abstain" vote by submitting a written reply by fax (+39 06 5459 3212) and/or e-mail (gb@ifad.org);

(b) The absence of a written reply by the stipulated deadline will not indicate abstention but rather the absence of a member in the voting procedure; and

(c) In the event of no reply from a member, the vote of the alternate member shall prevail.

The Executive Board will be informed of the results of this vote by correspondence in a timely manner.

Accept. Distinguished Executive Board Representatives, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Luis Jiménez-McInnis
Secretary of IFAD

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