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# Application for non-original membership Republic of Serbia

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**Action**: The Executive Board is invited to approve the recommendation

contained in the present document, as reflected in paragraph 3.

**Technical questions:** 

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## Application for non-original membership Republic of Serbia

### I. Background

- 1. By a letter dated 18 October 2023, signed by His Excellency Ivica Dačić, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia, the Republic of Serbia 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 Serbia has been a member of the United Nations since 1 November 2000.

#### II. Recommendation

3. The Executive Board is invited to consider the application of the Republic of Serbia for admission to IFAD, and recommend, if it deems appropriate, to the Governing Council that the Republic of Serbia be admitted to membership to the Fund, as per the draft resolution contained in the annex.

Annex EB 2023/140/R.21

#### **Draft resolution .../XLVII**

### Approval of the Republic of Serbia as a non-original Member 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 Serbia is a member of the United Nations;

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

**Having considered** the application for non-original membership by the Republic of Serbia transmitted to the Council in document GC 47/L.2, and the recommendation of the Executive Board that the Republic of Serbia should be admitted to membership in IFAD;

Approves the membership of the Republic of Serbia;

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