

IFAD INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT Executive Board — Sixty-Seventh Session Rome, 8 - 9 September 1999

PLANNED PROJECT ACTIVITIES 1999-2000

GRANTS UNDER THE SPECIAL OPERATIONS FACILITY APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT

1. At its Third Special Session, on 17 January 1986, the Executive Board authorized the President to provide for preparatory activities directly related to the Fund's lending operations under the Special Programme for Sub-Saharan African Countries Affected by Drought and Desertification, to be undertaken before or after loan effectiveness, by assisting with funding up to the level of USD 600 000 and USD 250 000, respectively, for each proposal.

2. At its Eighteenth Session in January 1995, the Governing Council adopted Resolution 85/XVIII which extended the authority of the President to approve Special Operations Facility (SOF) grants under the Regular Programme. Such grants would be provided to IFAD borrowers entitled to highly concessional terms and on the basis of strict priority criteria.

3. A description of two grants approved by the President of IFAD under the SOF, designated as Annex D of document EB 99/67/R.23, is attached.

Region	Country	Project Title	Amount (USD) ¹	Scope of the Grant
Africa II	Burundi	Rural Recovery and Development Programme	70 000	The grant will finance start-up activities, including a start-up workshop; preparation of the programme procedures and implementation manual; drafting of the job descriptions and profiles of programme staff; preparation of tender documents for procurement; and preparation of terms of reference and tender documents for the recruitment of non-governmental organizations. Funds will be used for the recruitment of a facilitation team (two consultants) for two months; salaries of the coordinator, accountant, secretary and driver for three months; purchase of office equipment; and recurrent costs.
	Uganda	Uganda Women's Effort to Save Orphans (UWESO) Development Programme	60 000	To facilitate and accelerate implementation of programme activities by conducting participatory start- up workshops; developing a comprehensive operations manual for programme implementation; and carrying out a study on market demand for micro-businesses. Funds will be used to recruit consultants, hold the start-up workshops and for office and other operating costs.

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ANNEX D

¹ This figure is subject to revision in the light of actual expenditure, but will not exceed the amount stated.