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IFAD INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT Executive Board – Seventy-First Session

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REVISED PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

- 1. Rule 6 of the Rules of Procedure of the Governing Council provides that the President shall prepare, with the approval of the Executive Board, a provisional agenda for each session of the Governing Council.
- 2. The Provisional Agenda for the Twenty-Fourth Session of the Governing Council, which was approved by the Seventieth Session of the Executive Board, has been amended in light of the deliberations of the current Session of the Executive Board. Accordingly, the Executive Board is invited to consider and approve the attached revised Provisional Agenda.

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$Governing\ Council-Twenty-Fourth\ Session$

Rome, 20-21 February 2001

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ANNOTATIONS

1. **Opening of the Session**

The Twenty-Fourth Session of the Governing Council will be held on Tuesday, 20 February, and Wednesday, 21 February 2001, at the Auditorium della Tecnica, 65 Viale Tupini, Rome. The Session will be opened at 10.00 hours on Tuesday, 20 February 2001.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The Provisional Agenda, prepared by the President and approved by the Executive Board in accordance with Rule 6 of the Rules of Procedure of the Governing Council, is contained in the present document (GC 24/L.1/Rev.1).

3. Application for Non-Original Membership

At its Seventy-First Session in December 2000, the Executive Board considered the application for Membership of IFAD by the Republic of Iceland. The recommendation of the Board in this regard will be presented in document GC 24/L.7.

4. Statement of the President of IFAD

President Fawzi H. Al-Sultan's statement to the Governing Council will review IFAD's operations during the course of 2000.

5. Office of the President of IFAD

(a) Transition in the Office of the President of IFAD

At its Seventy-First Session, the Executive Board reviewed a proposal submitted by the Convenors of IFAD's Member State Lists regarding the transition in office of the incumbent President of the Fund and future outgoing Presidents. Accordingly, document GC 24/L.15 will provide the Council with a draft resolution on the transition in the Office of the President of IFAD, as recommended by the Executive Board.

(b) Appointment of the President of IFAD

In accordance with Article 6, Section 8(a), of the Agreement Establishing IFAD and Section 6.2 of the By-laws for the Conduct of the Business of IFAD, the Governing Council is invited to consider the appointment of the President of IFAD. In this respect, document GC 24/L.2 will provide the Council with the nominations received by the Secretary of IFAD for the presidency of IFAD and the curricula vitae of the candidates.

6. Progress Report on the Fourth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources

A report on the status of the Fourth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources will be presented in document GC 24/L.4.



7. Consultation to Review the Adequacy of the Resources Available to IFAD

(a) Report on the Fifth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources

Document GC 24/L.5 will provide the Governing Council with: (i) the results of the vote by correspondence held to approve Partnerships for Eradicating Rural Poverty: Report of the Consultation to Review the Adequacy of the Resources Available to IFAD and to adopt the draft Resolution on the Fifth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources (document GC 24/L.3); (ii) the latest status of pledges made to the Fifth Replenishment; (iii) the status of the completion and effectiveness of the Replenishment; and (iv) an outline of further steps required for the achievement of the effectiveness of the Fifth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources.

(b) Progress Report on the IFAD V: Plan of Action (2000-2002)

In accordance with the final Report of the Consultation to Review the Adequacy of the Resources Available to IFAD, approved by the Governing Council by vote taken by correspondence on 31 July 2000, the Council will receive its first annual report on the progress made in the year 2000 on the implementation of the IFAD V: Plan of Action (2000-2002).

8. Audited Financial Statements of IFAD – 31 December 1999

In accordance with Regulation XII of the Financial Regulations of IFAD and Section 9 of the By-laws for the Conduct of the Business of IFAD, the Governing Council is invited to consider document GC 24/L.6 which contains the Audited Financial Statements of IFAD for 1999, together with the report of the External Auditor thereon. The Sixty-Ninth Session of the Executive Board reviewed the statements in May 2000 and recommended that they be submitted for the approval of the Governing Council.

9. General Statements

Governors are invited to make general statements under this agenda item and to comment on various other items on the agenda, as appropriate.

10. Proposed Budget of IFAD for 2001

The Budget of IFAD for 2001, as recommended by the Executive Board for approval, will be presented in document GC 24/L.8, together with a draft resolution thereon. In addition, a draft resolution on the establishment of a Programme Development Financing Facility (PDFF) will be presented to the Governing Council for its consideration in the same document.

11. Progress Report on the Process Re-Engineering Programme

At its Twenty-Third Session, the Governing Council adopted Resolution 116/XXIII approving a capital budget proposal of USD 26 million for a Process Re-Engineering Programme, for a five-year period during the financial years 2000 to 2005. Document GC 24/L.9 will provide the Governing Council with its first annual progress report on the Programme.

12. Financing from Non-Donor Resources

The Executive Board, at its Seventy-First Session in December 2000, considered a proposal for the mobilization of additional market-based financial resources to cofinance IFAD projects.



Document GC 24/L.10 contains that proposal and a draft Resolution thereon for the consideration of the Governing Council.

13. Membership of the Executive Board

In accordance with the decision of the Twenty-Third Session of the Governing Council regarding the election of the Members and Alternate Members of the Executive Board, the Governing Council is invited to endorse the exchange of seats within List C, Sub-List C2 countries, as presented in document GC 24/L.11.

14. Report of the Emoluments Committee

At its Twenty-Third Session, the Governing Council adopted Resolution 118/XXIII, reestablishing a Committee to review the overall emoluments and other conditions of the employment of the President of IFAD for presentation to the Twenty-Fourth Session of the Governing Council. Accordingly, document GC 24/L.12 will contain the recommendations of the Committee, as endorsed by the Executive Board at its Seventieth Session, for the consideration of the Governing Council.

15. Progress Report on the Popular Coalition to Eradicate Hunger and Poverty

Document GC 24/L.13 will provide the Governing Council with a progress report on the results achieved since the Twenty-Third Session of the Governing Council in improving the access of the poor to productive resources in the countries and regions covered by current activities of the Popular Coalition to Eradicate Hunger and Poverty.

16. Progress Report on the Global Mechanism of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification

The Twenty-First Session of the Governing Council of IFAD approved the selection of IFAD as the institution to house the Global Mechanism of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification. Document GC 24/L.14 will provide a progress report on the operations of the Global Mechanism in 2000.

17. Report on the Status of the Headquarters Agreement

An oral report on this subject will be presented to the Twenty-Fourth Session of the Governing Council.

18. **Other Business**

Approval of Disclosure of Documents

The IFAD Policy on the Disclosure of Documents contains a provision that the disclosure of documents for any particular session is the prerogative of the governing body concerned. Accordingly, the Governing Council is requested to approve that the documents submitted to and approved by the Twenty-Fourth Session be publicly disclosed and placed on the Fund's website.