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DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE TWENTY-FIFTH SESSION OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

- 1. Rule 6 of the Rules of Procedure of the Governing Council provides that the President shall prepare a provisional agenda, with the approval of the Executive Board, for each session of the Governing Council. Accordingly, the Executive Board is invited to consider and approve the attached draft provisional agenda for the Twenty-Fifth Session of the Governing Council.
- 2. The Executive Board is also invited to note that the Fund's management is currently in the process of redesigning the organization of the Governing Council to focus on a thematic discussion. Therefore, while the attached provisional agenda reflects the issues the Governing Council will need to consider, it should be noted that the Twenty-Fifth Session of the Governing Council will introduce a more interactive and theme-based format.



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INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT Governing Council – Twenty-Fifth Session

Rome, 20-21 February 2002

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ANNOTATIONS

1. **Opening of the Session**

The Twenty-Fifth Session of the Governing Council will be held on Wednesday, 20 February and Thursday, 21 February 2002, at the Auditorium della Tecnica, 65 Viale Tupini, Rome. The Session will be opened at 10.00 hours on Wednesday, 20 February 2002.

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 25/L.1).

3. Election of the Bureau of the Governing Council

The Governing Council is invited to elect a Chairman and two Vice-Chairmen for the coming two years, in accordance with Rule 12 of its Rules of Procedure.

4. Statement of the President of IFAD

President Lennart Båge's statement to the Governing Council will review IFAD's operations during the course of 2001.

5. General Statements

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

6. Report on the Fifth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources

Document GC 25/L.2 will provide the Governing Council with the latest status of pledges made to the Fifth Replenishment and the status of its effectiveness.

7. Sixth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources

Article 4.3 of the Agreement Establishing IFAD provides for the periodic review by the Governing Council of the adequacy of IFAD's resources in order to assure continuity in the Fund's operations. Document GC 25/L.3 will be presented to the Council to facilitate its consideration of the future resource requirements of the Fund.

8. Audited Financial Statements of IFAD – 31 December 2000

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 25/L.4, which contains the Audited Financial Statements of IFAD for 2000, together with the report of the External Auditor. The Seventy-Second Session of the Executive Board reviewed the statements in April 2001 and recommended that they be submitted for the approval of the Governing Council.



9. Proposed Administrative Budget of IFAD for 2002

The Administrative Budget of IFAD for 2002, as recommended by the Executive Board for approval, will be presented in document GC 25/L.5, together with a draft resolution.

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

As stipulated in Partnerships for Eradicating Rural Poverty: Report of the Consultation to Review the Adequacy of the Resources Available to IFAD, document GC 25/L.6 will report on progress made in 2001 on the implementation of the IFAD V: Plan of Action (2000-2002).

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 the five-year period of financial years 2000-2005. Document GC 25/L.7 will provide the Governing Council with its second annual progress report on the programme.

12. 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 25/L.8.

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

Document GC 25/L.9 will provide a progress report on the results achieved since the Twenty-Fourth 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.

14. 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 in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa. Document GC 25/L.10 will provide a progress report on the operations of the Global Mechanism in 2001.

15. 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-Fifth Session be publicly disclosed and placed on the Fund's website.