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**INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT**

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**ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AD HOC COMMITTEE TO REVIEW  
MEMBER STATES' VOTING RIGHTS AND  
THE ROLE, EFFECTIVENESS AND MEMBERSHIP  
OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD**

1. The Consultation on the Seventh Replenishment of IFAD's Resources recommended that the Executive Board establish an ad hoc committee to review the voting rights of IFAD Member States as well as the role, effectiveness and membership of the Executive Board. The Consultation further recommended that the ad hoc committee have the same List composition as other Executive Board committees, i.e. four members from List A, two members from List B and three members from List C, and that the committee meet with the objective of concluding its discussions and recommendations by the end of 2006.
2. In this respect, the Executive Board is invited to approve the attached recommendation which has been drawn up in consultation with and with the agreement of the List Convenors.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Pursuant to Rule 11 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board and further to the recommendation on IFAD's Governance Structure and the Role of the Executive Board contained in Annex II to the report, "IFAD's Contribution to Reaching the Millennium Development Goals: Report of the Consultation on the Seventh Replenishment of IFAD's Resources (2007-2009)", as approved by the Governing Council in Governing Council Resolution 141/XXIX, the Executive Board hereby

**DECIDES**

to establish an ad hoc committee from among its members to review the following two central issues:

- (i) voting rights of Member States and membership of the Executive Board, and
- (ii) the role and effectiveness of the Executive Board.

In addition to the two central issues and subsidiary thereto, the ad hoc committee may also review the organization of the Governing Council, it being understood that this additional issue shall not be considered mandatory to the committee's deliberations and may be addressed by the committee on a time permitting basis. Any deliberations on this subsidiary item should not interfere with the effective and timely conclusion of the review on the two central issues.

It is further **DECIDED** that the ad hoc committee will be comprised of representatives to be selected from among the Executive Board members from Lists A, B and C as follows:

- (i) four members from List A;
- (ii) two members from List B; and
- (iii) three members from List C;

and that a chairperson from among these nine be chosen to serve on a rotation basis.

The ad hoc committee will meet with the objective of concluding its discussions and recommendations by the end of 2006.