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Note to Executive Board Directors

This document is submitted for approval by the Executive Board.

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Proposed dates for sessions of the Executive Board in 2008

1. The following dates are proposed for the Executive Board sessions to be held in 2008:

Ninety-third Session	Wednesday, 23 and Thursday, 24 April 2008
Ninety-fourth Session	Wednesday, 10 and Thursday, 11 September 2008
Ninety-fifth Session	Wednesday, 17 and Thursday, 18 December 2008
2. The information contained in the attachment was prepared by the Inter-Agency Working Group on Meeting Programming in an endeavour to harmonize the timing of meetings of the various governing bodies and other high-level meetings, which require the participation of many Rome-based permanent representatives.

Recommendation for approval

3. The Executive Board is requested to approve the dates for its sessions in 2008 as proposed above.

Provisional calendar of meetings of FAO/IFAD/WFP governing and other bodies, 2007-2008

	2007		2008	
JANUARY				
FEBRUARY	ECOSOC 1 IFAD/GC WFP	6 12-16 19-23	ECOSOC 1 IFAD/GC WFP	5 11-15 18-22
MARCH	27 COFI Fisheries MM Forest MM 18 COFO	5-9 10 12 13-16	29 NERC 83 CCLM Easter 25 ARC	1-5 17-18 23 31/03-4/04 (tentative)
APRIL	81 CCLM Easter IFAD/EB 66 CCP 20 COAG	4-5 8 16-20 23-25 25-28	30 LARC IFAD/EB	14-18 21-25
MAY	33 CFS 117 FC 97 PC	7-10 21-25 21-25	29 APRC 99 PC 119 FC	19-23 26-30 26-30
JUNE	WFP 132 CL	4 - 8 18-22	WFP 26 ERC	9-13 23-27
JULY	ECOSOC 2	-	ECOSOC 2	-
AUGUST				
SEPTEMBER	118 FC 98 PC IFAD/EB Ramadan UNGA 82 CCLM	3-7 3-7 10-14 13/09-12/10 18 27- 28	Ramadan IFAD/EB UNGA 84 CCLM	2/09-1/10 8-12 16 29-30
OCTOBER	Eid Al-Fitr WFD WFP	13 16 22-26	Eid Al-Fitr 120 FC 100 PC WFD 34 CFS WFP	2 6-10 6-10 16 21-24 27-31
NOVEMBER	133 CL 34 C 134 CL	14-16 17- 24 26	135 CL	17-21 (tentative)
DECEMBER	IFAD/EB Eid Al-Adha	10-14 20	Eid Al-Adha IFAD/EB	9 15-19

APRC	Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific	ERC	Regional Conference for Europe
ARC	Regional Conference for Africa	FC	Finance Committee
C	Conference	IFAD/EB	IFAD Executive Board
CCLM	Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters	IFAD/GC	IFAD Governing Council
CCP	Committee on Commodity Problems	LARC	Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean
CFS	Committee on World Food Security	MM	Ministerial Meeting
CL	Council	NERC	Regional Conference for the Near East
COAG	Committee on Agriculture	PC	Programme Committee
COFI	Committee on Fisheries	UNGA	United Nations General Assembly (Opening)
COFO	Committee on Forestry	WFD	World Food Day
ECOSOC	Economic and Social Council (1: Organizational session opens; 2: Substantive session opens)	WFP	World Food Programme Executive Board

