



Governing Council

Ninth Session

Rome, 21 - 24 January 1986

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ANNOTATIONS

1. Opening of the Session

The Ninth Session of the Governing Council, which will be held at the Centro Congressi, Auditorium della Tecnica, Viale Umberto Tupini 65, Rome (EUR), will be opened at 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday 21 January 1986.

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 9/L.1).

3. Election of the Chairman and the Vice-Chairmen of the Governing Council

The Governing Council is invited in accordance with Rule 12 of its Rules of Procedure to elect a Chairman and two Vice-Chairmen for the coming two years. It is likely that this item of the Agenda will be considered on the morning of the first meeting of the Session. Since Rule 12 of the Rules of Procedure inter alia states that "each category shall be represented by one officer", categories may wish to convene separate meetings before the start of the Session. Accordingly, facilities for such category meetings will be available at the conference site on the day before the Session commences, Monday 20 January 1986.

4. Applications for Non-original Membership

The Executive Board considered the application for membership in IFAD of Antigua and Barbuda, at its Twenty-Fifth Session in September 1985. The Provisional Agenda for the Twenty-Sixth Session of the Executive Board, scheduled for 4-6 December 1985, contains an application for membership in IFAD by St. Christopher and Nevis, for the consideration of the Board. The recommendations of the Board on these applications will be presented in document GC 9/L.2.

5. Statement of the President

President Jazairy will make a statement to the Council regarding international developments affecting IFAD's responsibilities and activities. A more detailed review of the Fund's operations during 1985 will be provided in the form of a draft annual report for the information of the Governing Council (document GC 9/L.3).

6. General Statements

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

7. Audited Financial Statements for 1984

In accordance with Rule XII of the Financial Regulations and Section 9 of the By-laws, the Governing Council is invited to consider document GC 9/L.4 containing the Audited Financial Statements for 1984 together with the report of the External Auditor thereon, which have been submitted by the Executive Board with a recommendation for approval. Document GC 9/INF.2 presented for the information of the Governing Council, contains a list of private contributions which have been made to the Fund.

8. Report on the Second Replenishment of IFAD's Resources

President Jazairy's report on this subject will be presented in document GC 9/L.5. Pursuant to Resolution 34/VIII of the Eighth Session of the Governing Council and in accordance with the decision of the Executive Board at its Twenty-Third Session (11-14 December 1984), the report will also provide information on Advance Contributions to the Second Replenishment.

9. Proposed Budget for 1986

The Budget for 1986, as recommended by the Executive Board for approval, will be presented in document GC 9/L.6.

10. Report on the IFAD Special Programme for Sub-Saharan African Countries Affected by Drought and Desertification

At its Eighth Session in Paris (22 - 26 October 1984), the Governing Council considered a draft resolution on this subject submitted by the Governor for Niger. The Council decided to refer the matter for the attention of the Executive Board, which considered the matter at its subsequent sessions. The Board endorsed the creation of the Special Programme on 18 May 1985, at a Special Session convened to consider this subject. Pursuant to this endorsement, the Fund is undertaking appropriate measures relating to the development of the Special Programme and these matters are under active consideration by the Executive Board. A report on this subject will be presented to the Governing Council in document GC 9/L.7.

A draft legal framework for the mobilization and use of the resources needed for the implementation of the Special Programme, entitled "Basic Framework on Special Resources for Sub-Saharan Africa" has been prepared. The approval of the Governing Council will be sought to this document (GC 9/L.8), which will be simultaneously despatched to the Executive Board for its consideration at a Special Session to be convened immediately before the Ninth Session of the Governing Council. This arrangement will enable the Governing Council to receive the views and recommendations of the Executive Board, which will be tabled at the commencement of the Governing Council's Ninth Session. In addition, the Basic Framework as presently drafted provides *inter alia* for the approval of annual programmes of work and estimated administrative expenses for the Programme, by the Executive Board. Accordingly, the Governing Council will also receive a copy of the 1986 Programme of Work and Estimated Administrative Expenditures for its review, as an attachment to the Basic Framework.

11. Preliminary Report on IFAD's Future Financial Basis and Structure

During the Seventh Meeting of the Consultation on the Second Replenishment of IFAD's Resources (28 February - 1 March 1985) President Jazairy announced that a preliminary report on this subject would be presented to the Ninth Session of the Governing Council. The report is contained in document GC 9/L.9.

12. Election of Members and Alternate Members of the Executive Board

In accordance with Rule 40.1 of the Rules of Procedure of the Governing Council, the President is submitting a list, contained in document GC 9/L.10, indicating the Members and Alternate Members that are to be replaced by new Members and Alternate Members. Rule 40.2 of the Rules of Procedure provides that "During the course of the annual session the Governors of each Category, that must elect one or more members or alternate members of the Executive Board, shall meet in private to conduct such elections...". Arrangements for such private meetings may be made through the Secretary of IFAD.

13. Report on the Status of the Headquarters Agreement

President Jazairy will make an oral report on this subject to the Ninth Session of the Council.

14. Other Business

Other business matters arising, if any, will be treated under this item.