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#### **ANNOTATIONS**

#### 1. Opening of the Session

The Eighteenth 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 10.00 hours on Wednesday 25 January 1995. The session will be held from Wednesday 25 January to Friday 27 January 1995.

#### 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 18/L.1/Rev.1).

### 3. Applications for Non-original Membership

The Executive Board considered the application for membership of IFAD by the Republic of Georgia at its Fifty-Third Session in December 1994. The recommendation of the Board on this subject will be presented in document GC 18/L.2.

#### 4. Statement of the President of IFAD

President Al-Sultan will make a statement to the Governing Council reviewing IFAD's operations in 1994.

#### 5. 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.

#### 6. Audited Financial Statements of IFAD - 31 December 1993

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 18/L.3 containing the Audited Financial Statements of IFAD for 1993, together with the report of the External Auditor thereon, which have been submitted by the Executive Board with a recommendation for approval. Document GC 18/INF.2, presented for the information of the Governing Council, contains a list of direct financial contributions which have been made to the Fund by sources other than Member States. Document GC 18/INF.3, also presented for the information of the Governing Council, contains the Audited Financial Statements of the Special Programme for Africa for 1993, together with the report of the External Auditor thereon, as approved by the Executive Board, in accordance with paragraph 10 of the Basic Framework on Special Resources for Sub-Saharan Africa (SRS).

## 7. Proposed Budget of IFAD for 1995

The Budget of IFAD for 1995, as recommended by the Executive Board for approval, will be presented in document GC 18/L.4.

## 8. Progress Report on the Third Replenishment of IFAD's Resources

A report on the Status of the Third Replenishment will be presented in document GC 18/L.5 which will be tabled at the beginning of the Eighteenth Session.

## 9. Report of the Rapid External Assessment of IFAD

At its Seventeenth Session in January 1994, the Governing Council adopted Resolution 81/XVII on the Rapid External Assessment of IFAD's Activities. In accordance with that Resolution, the Report of the Rapid External Assessment was transmitted to all Governors in August 1994. Document GC 18/L.6 will present a report on follow-up action undertaken by IFAD.

#### 10. Review of IFAD's Resource Requirements and Related Governance Issues

# (a) Report and Recommendations of the Special Committee on IFAD's Resource Requirements and Related Governance Issues

In accordance with Resolution 80/XVII, a Special Committee on IFAD's Resource Requirements and Related Governance Issues was established and held five sessions during 1994. The report and recommendations of the Special Committee and the comments and recommendations of the Executive Board thereon are presented to the Governing Council for its consideration and approval in document GC 18/L.7.

## (b) Report and Recommendations of the Executive Board on Programme and Operational Matters

In its Resolution 80/XVII on the Review of IFAD's Resource Requirements and Related Governance Issues, the Governing Council requested the Executive Board to review certain programme and operational matters. The report and recommendations of the Executive Board on those matters are presented to the Governing Council for its consideration and approval in documents GC 18/L.8 and GC 18/L.9.

# (c) Executive Board Proposals for the Amendment of the Agreement Establishing IFAD, the By-Laws for the Conduct of the Business of IFAD, and Other Basic Legal Instruments of the Fund

In accordance with Resolution 80/XVII, the Executive Board's proposals regarding the adoption of amendments to the Agreement Establishing IFAD, the By-Laws for the Conduct of the Business of IFAD, and other basic legal instruments of the Fund, will be presented in documents GC 18/L.10 and GC 18/L.11.

# 11. Report and Recommendations of the Consultation on the Fourth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources

In its Resolution 74/XVI, adopted in January 1993, the Governing Council requested the Consultation on the Fourth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources to submit its final report and recommendations to the Council's Seventeenth Session. In Resolution 80/XVII, adopted in January 1994, the Governing Council called for the completion of the Consultation's work prior to the Council's Eighteenth Session to enable decisions on the Fourth Replenishment to be taken at that session. The report and recommendations of the Consultation will be presented to the Governing Council for its consideration and approval in document GC 18/L.12.

# 12. Progress Report on the Special Programme for Sub-Saharan African Countries Affected by Drought and Desertification

In its Resolutions 38/IX and 67/XIV, the Governing Council requested the President of IFAD to report to it on the implementation of the Special Programme for Sub-Saharan African Countries Affected by Drought and Desertification and on the Second Phase of the Special Programme, respectively. A report on progress achieved thus far will be presented in document GC 18/L.13.

#### 13. 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 will be submitting a list, contained in document GC 18/L.14, indicating the Members and Alternate Members of the Executive Board 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 Office of the Secretary of IFAD.

#### 14. Report on the Status of the Headquarters Agreement

A report on this subject will be presented to the Governing Council in document GC 18/L.15.

#### 15. Report of the Emoluments Committee

Governing Council Resolution 82/XVII provided, inter alia, that the Emoluments Committee should submit a recommendation to it on a proposal concerning the possible purchase of accommodation for use by the President of IFAD during his term of office. Since the examination of the proposal is not expected to be completed prior to the Governing Council's Eighteenth Session, it is envisaged to present only a brief oral report to the Council, suggesting deferral of the matter until the Nineteenth Session.

#### 16. Other Business

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