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## **Application for non-original membership**

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## **Recommendation for approval**

The Governing Council is invited to approve the draft resolution on page 2.



## **Application for non-original membership**

1. An application from the Government of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas for membership in the International Fund for Agricultural Development was considered by the Executive Board at its ninety-first session in September 2007. In accordance with section 10 of the By-laws for the Conduct of the Business of IFAD, the Executive Board decided to recommend to the Governing Council that it approve the application for non-original membership by the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.
2. In the light of the foregoing, the Governing Council may wish to adopt the resolution herewith attached.

**Resolution .../XXXI**

**Approval of non-original Members of the Fund**

**The Governing Council of IFAD,**

**Taking into account** articles 3.1(a), 3.2(b) and 13.1(c) of the Agreement Establishing IFAD and section 10 of the By-laws for the Conduct of the Business of IFAD,

**Having considered** the application for non-original membership by the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, transmitted to the Council in document GC 31/L.2, and the recommendation of the Executive Board thereon;

**Approves** the membership of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

