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COMMITTEE ON WORLD FOOD SECURITY

Eleventh Session

Rome, 9 - 16 April 1986

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AGENDA NOTES

The Eleventh Session of the Committee on World Food Security will open at 10:00 hours on Wednesday, 9 April 1986 at FAO Headquarters. Provision has been made for the Session to continue up to 16 April 1986.

I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

1. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairmen

In accordance with its Rules of Procedure, the Committee at this Session will elect a Chairman and four Vice-Chairmen from among the representatives of its members. The officers will remain in office for a biennium. The outgoing Chairman is Mr Tanwir Ahmed of Pakistan and the outgoing Vice-Chairmen are Mr G.E. Gonzalez of Argentina, Mr L. Hertog of Netherlands and Mr V. Isarankura of Thailand.

2. Adoption of Agenda and Timetable

The Provisional Agenda for the Eleventh Session has been prepared in consultation with the Chairman, taking into account the Committee's Terms of Reference and its recommendations at previous sessions.

3. Membership of the Committee

The Committee is open to all Member Nations of the Organization and all States which are Members of the United Nations. It is composed of those States which notify the Director-General in writing of their desire to become members of the Committee and of their intention to participate in its work. Membership is for a biennium. The Secretariat will circulate a list of members of the Committee for the biennium 1986-87 at the opening of the Session.

II. ASSESSMENT OF THE CURRENT WORLD FOOD SECURITY SITUATION AND RECENT POLICY DEVELOPMENTS

The Committee in line with its terms of reference will assess the current world food security situation and short-term outlook. The assessment will cover cereals, as well as other basic foodstuffs, and will also assess the adequacy of cereal stocks. The Committee will also review under this item recent policy measures taken at national, regional/sub-regional and international levels in pursuance of the International Undertaking and the Plan of Action on World Food Security. Special attention will be given to recent developments in price support policies for cereals and to the role of international trade in food security, drawing on the results of the deliberations of the Committee on Commodity Problems on this matter at its Fifty-fifth Session.

The Secretariat will circulate a brief document as a basis for the Committee's review and assessment.

A supplementary note on the latest developments will be made available at the Session.

III. FOLLOW-UP TO THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL'S REPORT ON WORLD FOOD SECURITY

4. Implications for World Food Security of Medium-Term Trends in Food Production, Consumption and Trade

At its Ninth Session the Committee decided to undertake a review of medium-term outlook for world food supplies and requirements. Accordingly, under this item the Committee will consider implications for world food security of the recent FAO projections in 1990 of production, consumption and trade for basic foodstuffs, with particular reference to low-income food-deficit countries. The Committee's conclusions on medium-term prospects and problems of world food security should help consideration of future directions of and areas where action might be required.

5. The Role of Roots, Tubers and Plantains in Food Security in Africa

Assessment of the role of roots and tubers in food security was also one of the proposals welcomed by the Committee at its Ninth Session in order to strengthen the analytical basis of its work. Under this item the Committee will discuss the role of roots, tubers and plantains in food security in Africa. The report of the FAO Workshop on "Production and Marketing Constraints on Roots, Tubers and Plantains", held from 30 September to 4 October 1985 in Kinshasa, Zaire, will be made available as a background document. It is hoped that the document will help the Committee to consider this important aspect of food security for many low-income food-deficit countries, and that the Committee's views will provide guidance to future work.

6. Prepositioning of Food Stocks

The Committee at its Tenth Session requested the Secretariat to develop the proposal for prepositioning food stocks for consideration by the Committee, taking into account the experience of some donors in this respect. In line with the Committee's request, a document analyzing the feasibility of prepositioning of stocks, including economic, logistical and operational considerations, will be submitted for consideration by the Committee. The Committee's views and comments are invited on the analysis and findings of this document.

7. National Preparedness Planning to Cope with Food Emergencies

The document for this item will elaborate on the concept and possible contents of a national preparedness plan to cope with food emergencies. The document will draw on the discussion and recommendations of the three FAO Workshops on national preparedness to meet acute and large-scale food

shortages which were held in Asia, Eastern and Southern Africa, and Central and West Africa in line with the Committee's recommendation at its Sixth Session in April 1981. The Committee's views and comments on this subject will help in planning future work in this area.

The reports of the Workshops will be made available for information.

IV. REVIEW OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE FOOD SECURITY ASSISTANCE SCHEME (FSAS)

In line with point IV of the Plan of Action on World Food Security, the Committee will review the actions taken by FAO's Food Security Assistance Scheme to meet requests from developing countries addressed to FAO for assistance to strengthen national food security. Delegates and observers are invited to provide information on assistance required and on projects already funded in the sector of food security.

The Secretariat will present a document reviewing the activities of the Food Security Assistance Scheme during the biennium 1984-85 taking into consideration the Committee's remarks on FSAS biennial review held during its Ninth Session in April 1984.

V. OTHER MATTERS

8. Arrangements for the Twelfth Session

Under this item, the Committee will consider the date of its next session. According to its terms of reference, the Committee normally holds two sessions in a biennium and may hold an additional session if warranted by uncertainties in the food security situation. As provided in Point II of the Plan of Action on World Food Security, a special session of the Committee could be convened by the Director-General in accordance with Rule XXXIII-4 of the General Rules of the Organization, to enable governments to consider any special action required to meet an acute and large-scale food shortage. The Committee normally holds its annual session in the March/April period.

9. Report to the FAO Council

The Committee will submit a Report, including its recommendations, to the FAO Council. It is customary for the report of the Committee to be made available to the World Food Council under Rule VIII-3 of the Committee's Rules of Procedures.