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## PLENARY

09.30 hours SEVENTH PLENARY MEETING  
Plenary Hall – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Building A

Item 10: Review of the State of Food and Agriculture (C 2015/2 Rev.1) (continued)

*Proposed theme for the General Debate: "Breaking the Cycle of Rural Poverty and Hunger by Strengthening Rural Resilience: Social Protection and Sustainable Agricultural Development"*

Statements by Heads of Delegation of:

PORTUGAL  
AUSTRIA  
SLOVENIA  
IRELAND  
POLAND  
MALTA  
BELARUS  
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO  
ICELAND  
FRANCE  
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NIUE  
HOLY SEE  
PALESTINE

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**COMMISSION II**

**09.30 hours**    **Second Meeting of the Drafting Committee of COMMISSION II**  
**Lebanon Room (D209)**

**Chairperson:**    Mr Spyridon Ellinas (Cyprus)

**Composition:**    Australia, Brazil, China, Cyprus, Kuwait, Germany, Liberia, Mexico, Pakistan,  
Russian Federation, Sudan, United States of America, Zimbabwe.

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**COMMISSION I**

**15.00 hours**    **First Meeting of the Drafting Committee of COMMISSION I**  
**Lebanon Room (D209)**

**Chairperson:**    Mr Mafizur Rahman (Bangladesh)

**Composition:**    Argentina, Canada, Ecuador, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, France,  
New Zealand, Oman, Pakistan, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Spain.

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## DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

## NOMINATIONS FOR THE FAO COUNCIL

REGION	PERIOD	CANDIDATES
AFRICA	(a) end of 39 <sup>th</sup> Conference - 30 June 2018 (3 SEATS)	Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia
	(b) 1 July 2016 - end of 41 <sup>st</sup> Conference (5 SEATS)	Benin, Côte d'Ivoire, Kenya, Lesotho, Zambia
ASIA	(a) end of 39 <sup>th</sup> Conference - 30 June 2018 (6 SEATS)	China, Indonesia, Japan, Republic of Korea, Sri Lanka, Thailand (end of the 39 <sup>th</sup> Conference - 31 December 2016)/ Philippines (1 January 2017 - 30 June 2018). <i>Special agreement</i> <sup>1</sup>
	(b) 1 July 2016 - end of 41 <sup>st</sup> Conference (3 SEATS)	Cyprus, San Marino, Spain (end of 39 <sup>th</sup> Conference - 30 June 2016)/ United Kingdom (1 July 2016 - 30 June 2018). <i>Special agreement</i> <sup>2</sup>
EUROPE	(a) end of 39 <sup>th</sup> Conference - 30 June 2018 (3 SEATS)	Cyprus, San Marino, Spain (end of 39 <sup>th</sup> Conference - 30 June 2016)/ United Kingdom (1 July 2016 - 30 June 2018). <i>Special agreement</i> <sup>2</sup>
	(b) 1 July 2016 - end of 41 <sup>st</sup> Conference (3 SEATS)	Germany, Montenegro, Romania
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN	(a) end of 39 <sup>th</sup> Conference - 30 June 2018 (3 SEATS)	Chile, Nicaragua, Venezuela
	(b) 1 July 2016 - end of 41 <sup>st</sup> Conference (5 SEATS)	Argentina, Brazil, Mexico, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay
NEAR EAST	(a) end of 39 <sup>th</sup> Conference - 30 June 2018 (1 SEATS)	Kuwait
	(b) 1 July 2016 - end of 41 <sup>st</sup> Conference (2 SEATS)	Qatar, Sudan
NORTH AMERICA	(b) 1 July 2016 - end of 41 <sup>st</sup> Conference (2 SEATS)	Canada, United States of America

<sup>1</sup> Thailand and the Philippines applied jointly for one Council seat as follows: Thailand will occupy a seat from the end of the 39<sup>th</sup> Session of the Conference (June 2015) to 31 December 2016. The Philippines will replace Thailand for the remainder of the term of office (from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2018)

<sup>2</sup> Spain and the United Kingdom applied jointly for one Council seat as follows: Spain will occupy a seat from the end of the 39<sup>th</sup> Session of the Conference (June 2015) to 30 June 2016. The United Kingdom will replace Spain for the remainder of the term of office (from 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2018)

Italy informed the Conference that it will step down from Council Membership effective 30 June 2015. Russian Federation will replace Italy for the remainder of the term of office (1 July 2015 until the end of the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the Conference in June 2017).

### AUDIENCE WITH HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS

On the occasion of the 39<sup>th</sup> Session of the Conference, His Holiness Pope Francis will receive in Audience all Delegates participating in the Conference. The Audience will take place in the “Sala Clementina” on Thursday 11 June 2015 at 12.00 hours. Doors to the hall will be closed at 11.30 hours.

Entrance to the “Sala Clementina” will take place through the “Portone di Bronzo”, on the right-hand side of “Piazza San Pietro”, upon presentation of a special access card and screening through a metal detector by the Italian Police authorities.

The cards will be distributed upon request at a desk marked “Papal Audience” in the Belgian Lounge (main entrance to the Plenary Hall), from Monday, 8 June to Wednesday, 10 June 2015, from 09.30 to 12.30 hours.

A bus service will be provided to and from the Vatican. Buses will leave from FAO (Building A) at 10.00 hours and will return at 13.00 hours approximately.

### WRITTEN STATEMENTS BY HEADS OF DELEGATION FOR PLENARY

To ensure accurate interpretation of statements, timely production of verbatim records and web posting on the Conference website, delegations are kindly requested to submit the electronic version of their statements (preferably in WORD format) to: [Conference-Statements@fao.org](mailto:Conference-Statements@fao.org) **at least one hour before delivery**. The name of the country and speaker should be indicated at the top of the first page in one of the following languages: English, French or Spanish.

### REGISTRATION

Delegates are kindly informed that the 152<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Council will open at **09.30 hours on Monday, 15 June 2015**, in the Red Room.

You are kindly invited to inform the Secretariat of the Council through the Turkish Registration Centre of your country’s designated Representative to the 152<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Council so that an accurate List of Delegates can be compiled and posted on the Web site. You are also requested to complete and sign the Registration Cards which are available at the Turkish Registration Centre.

**Please note that passes issued for the Conference are not valid for the 152<sup>nd</sup> Session of Council.**

The Provisional Agenda for the Session (CL 152/1) as well as the other documents for this session can be downloaded from the Organization’s Website: <http://www.fao.org/bodies/council/cl152/en/>

### SIDE EVENTS

<b>Wednesday</b> 10 June 2015	12.30-13.30	<b>Side Event co-hosted by Japan, FAO and African Regional Group of the Permanent Representatives to FAO</b> Direction for Food Value Chain Development in Africa – Agricultural Development through TICAD Process –	Sheikh Zayed Centre
	13.30-14.30	<b>Family Farming and Rural Territorial Development in Latin America and Caribbean</b>	Sheikh Zayed Centre
	14.30-15.30	<b>XIV World Forestry Congress</b> Information event organized by the Republic of South Africa and FAO	Iran Room
	17.00-18.30	<b>Appointment of the Special Ambassadors for the International Year of Soils and open discussion on healthy soils for food security</b>	Sheikh Zayed Centre