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APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE ORGANIZATION

1. Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization (GRO) provides that any application for membership or associate membership "shall be transmitted immediately by the Director-General to Member Nations and shall be placed on the agenda of the next Conference session which opens not less than 30 days from the receipt of the application".
2. Article II-2 of the Constitution provides that any nation applying for membership shall submit a "declaration made in a formal instrument that it will accept the obligations of the Constitution as in force at the time of admission".
3. Rule XIX-I GRO provides that this formal instrument may accompany or follow the application, and in the latter case "shall reach the Director-General not later than the opening day of the Conference session at which the admission of the applicant is to be considered".
4. To date the Director-General has received the following applications.

Applications for Membership

Armenia

A letter from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia, dated 8 July 1993, was received on 9 July 1993. A formal instrument of acceptance of the relevant obligations of the Constitution of FAO was submitted with the application (Appendix A). This application has been communicated by Circular Letter G/CA-11/1 of 27 August 1993 to FAO Member Nations by the Director-General in pursuance of his responsibilities under Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization.

Bosnia and Herzegovina

A letter from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, dated 12 April 1993, was received on 27 May 1993. A formal instrument of acceptance of the relevant obligations of the Constitution of FAO was submitted with the application (Appendix B). This application has been communicated by Circular Letter G/CA-11/1 of 11 June 1993 to FAO Member Nations by the Director-General in pursuance of his responsibilities under Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization.

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Croatia

A letter from the Prime Minister of the Republic of Croatia, dated 18 June 1992, was received on 8 July 1992. A formal instrument of acceptance of the relevant obligations of the Constitution of FAO was submitted with the application (Appendix C). This application has been communicated by Circular Letter G/CA-11/1 of 19 August 1992 to FAO Member Nations by the Director-General in pursuance of his responsibilities under Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization.

Czech Republic

A letter from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, dated 5 March 1993, was received on 24 March 1993. A formal instrument of acceptance of the relevant obligations of the Constitution of FAO, dated 16 April 1993, was received on 22 April 1993 (Appendix D). This application has been communicated by Circular Letter G/CA-11/1 of 28 May 1993 to FAO Member Nations by the Director-General in pursuance of his responsibilities under Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization.

Eritrea

A letter from the President of Eritrea, dated 2 June 1993, was received on 7 June 1993. A formal instrument of acceptance of the relevant obligations of the Constitution of FAO, was submitted with the application (Appendix E). This application has been communicated by Circular Letter G/CA-11/1 of 15 June 1993 to FAO Member Nations by the Director-General in pursuance of his responsibilities under Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization.

Kyrgyz Republic

A letter from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic, dated 12 August 1993, was received on 23 August 1993. A formal instrument of acceptance of the relevant obligations of the Constitution of FAO, was submitted with the application (Appendix F). This application has been communicated by Circular Letter G/CA-11/1 of 17 September 1993 to FAO Member Nations by the Director-General in pursuance of his responsibilities under Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization.

Slovak Republic

A letter from the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Slovak Republic, dated 12 February 1993, was received on 2 March 1993. A formal instrument of acceptance of the relevant obligations of the Constitution of FAO, was submitted with the application (Appendix G). This application has been communicated by Circular Letter G/CA-11/1 of 30 March 1993 to FAO Member Nations by the Director-General in pursuance of his responsibilities under Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization.

Slovenia

A letter from the President of the Republic of Slovenia, dated 10 June 1992, was received on 6 July 1992. A formal instrument of acceptance of the relevant obligations of the Constitution of FAO, was submitted with the application (Appendix H). This application has been communicated by Circular Letter G/CA-11/1 of 18 August 1992 to FAO Member Nations by the Director-General in pursuance of his responsibilities under Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization.

The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

A letter from the President of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, dated 17 May 1993, was received on 20 May 1993. A formal instrument of acceptance of the relevant obligations of the Constitution of FAO, was submitted with the application (Appendix I). This application has been communicated by Circular Letter G/CA-11/1 of 7 June 1993 to FAO Member Nations by the Director-General in pursuance of his responsibilities under Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization.

Application for Re-admission to Membership

South Africa

A letter from the Ambassador of the Republic of South Africa, dated 4 October 1991 was received on the same date (Appendix J). This application has been communicated by Circular Letter G/CA-11/6 of 15 October 1991 to FAO Member Nations by the Director-General, while cognizant of the relevant resolutions of the UN General Assembly regarding relations with South Africa, in pursuance of his responsibilities under Rule XIX-2 of the General Rules of the Organization. A formal instrument of acceptance of the relevant obligations of the Constitution of FAO, dated 31 October 1991, was received on 4 November 1991 (Appendix J).

The Republic of South Africa, as a nation eligible for original membership, became a Member Nation of the Organization upon notifying its acceptance of the Constitution in accordance with the provisions of Article XXI thereof on 16 October 1945. The Republic of South Africa withdrew from the Organization on 18 December 1964. In accordance with the practice followed by the Conference in analogous cases, an original Member Nation which has withdrawn from the Organization and wishes to be re-admitted must submit an application for membership under paragraph 2 of Article II of the Constitution and Rule XIX of the General Rules of the Organization.

The Conference at its Twenty-sixth Session agreed that no action should be taken at that Session "but that the matter should be placed on the provisional agenda of the Twenty-seventh Session of the Conference in November 1993" (C 91/REP, para. 371).

Relevant Texts

5. The following texts are relevant to the procedure for the admission of additional Member Nations of the Organization:

- (a) Article II, paragraph 2 of the Constitution: the Conference may, by a two-thirds majority of votes cast, provided that a majority of the Member Nations of the Organization is present, decide to admit additional Members to the Organization.
- (b) Rule XII-3 (c) GRO: when a two-thirds majority of the votes cast is required, the total number of affirmative and negative votes cast shall be more than one-half of the Member Nations of the Organization.
- (c) Rule XII-9 (a) GRO: admission of additional Member Nations shall be decided by secret ballot.

6. The following provisions are also relevant:

(a) Article XVIII-2 of the Constitution: each Member Nation undertakes to contribute annually to the Organization its share of the Budget, as apportioned by the Conference.

(b) Article XVIII-3 of the Constitution: each Member Nation shall, upon approval of its application, pay as its first contribution a proportion, to be determined by the Conference, of the budget for the current financial period.

(c) Regulation 5.8 of the Financial Regulations: any nation admitted to membership shall pay a contribution to the budget for the financial period in which its membership becomes effective. Such contributions begin with the quarter in which the application was approved. In addition, all new Member Nations shall be required to make advances to the Working Capital Funds in an amount determined by the Conference.

APPENDIX A

MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS* REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA

8 July 1993

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of the Republic of Armenia has decided to apply for membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. I therefore, request that, in conformity with Rule XIX, Paragraph 2 of the General Rules of the Organization, this application be laid before the Conference of the Organization which, I understand, will hold its next Session in Rome in November 1993.

The Government of the Republic of Armenia hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization, and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Vahan Papazian

The Director-General
Food and Agriculture Organization
Viale delle Terme di Caracalla
Rome
ITALY

6. The following provisions are also relevant:

(a) Article XVIII-2 of the Constitution: each Member Nation undertakes to contribute annually to the Organization its share of the Budget, as apportioned by the Conference.

(b) Article XVIII-3 of the Constitution: each Member Nation shall, upon approval of its application, pay as its first contribution a proportion, to be determined by the Conference, of the budget for the current financial period.

(c) Regulation 5.8 of the Financial Regulations: any nation admitted to membership shall pay a contribution to the budget for the financial period in which its membership becomes effective. Such contributions begin with the quarter in which the application was approved. In addition, all new Member Nations shall be required to make advances to the Working Capital Funds in an amount determined by the Conference.

MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS* REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA

8 July 1993

Fax letter

INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

The Government of the Republic of Armenia hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Vahan Papazian

The Director-General
Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations
Viale delle Terme di Caracalla
Rome
ITALY

APPENDIX B

Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina has decided to apply for membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. I therefore request that, in conformity with Rule XIX, Paragraph 2 of the General Rules of the Organization, this application be laid before the Conference of the Organization which, I understand, will hold its next Session in Rome in November 6th - 25th, 1993.

The Government of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization, and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Done at Sarajevo, the Twelfth Day of April 1993

Dr. Haris Silajdžić
Minister of Foreign Affairs

The Director-General
Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations
Viale delle Terme di Caracalla
Rome
ITALY

Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

The Government of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Done at Sarajevo, the Twelfth Day of April 1993

Dr. Haris Silajdžić
Minister of Foreign Affairs

The Director-General
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APPENDIX C

VLADA REPUBLIKE HRVATSKE
Predsjednik
No. 0315/860

Dr. EDOUARD SAOUMA
Director-General
Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations
Viale delle Terme di Caracalla
Rome
ITALY

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of the Republic of Croatia has decided to apply for membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. I therefore request that in conformity with Rule XIX, Paragraph 2 of the General Rules of the Organization, this application be laid before the Conference of the Organization.

The Government of the Republic of Croatia hereby formally accepts the obligation of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry these obligations as in force at that time of admission.

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Zagreb, June 18, 1992

PRIME MINISTER

Dr. Franjo Gregurić

VLADA REPUBLIKE HRVATSKE
Predsjednik

Dr. EDOUARD SAOUMA
Director-General
Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations
Viale delle Terme di Caracalla
Rome
ITALY

INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

The Government of the Republic of Croatia hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization, and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Zagreb, June 18, 1992

PRIME MINISTER

Dr. Franjo Gregurić

APPENDIX D

MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

Prague, 5 March 1993
No.: 80.924/93-OMES

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of the Czech Republic has decided to apply for membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. I therefore request that, in conformity with the Rule XIX, Paragraph 2 of the General Rules of the Organization, this application be laid before the Conference which will hold its next Session in Rome in November 1993.

The Government of the Czech Republic hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization, and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Mr. Edouard Saouma
Director-General
Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations
Rome

**The State of Eritrea
Office of the President**

June 2, 1993

Dear Mr. Director General

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of Eritrea has decided to apply for membership in the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations.

The Government of Eritrea hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization, and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely,

Issaias Afwerki
President of
The State of Eritrea

The Director-General
Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations
Viale delle Terme di Caracalla
Rome, Italy

MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
THE CZECH REPUBLIC

Prague, 16 April 1993

INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

The Government of the Czech Republic hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Mr. Edouard Saouma

Director-General
Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations

Rome

**The State of Eritrea
Office of the President**

01-06-93

INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

The Government of Eritrea hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Sincerely,

Issaias Afwerki
President of
The State of Eritrea

The Director-General
Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations
Viale delle Terme di Caracalla
Rome, Italy

APPENDIX F

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of Kyrgyz Republic has decided to apply for membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. I therefore, request that, in conformity with Rule XIX, Paragraph 2 of the General Rules of the Organization, this application be laid before the Conference of the Organization which, I understand, will hold its next Session in Rome in November, 1993.

The Government of Kyrgyz Republic hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization, and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Ednan Karabayev,
Minister of Foreign Affairs
of Kyrgyz Republic

Bishkek, 12 August 1993

The Director-General
Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations
Rome

INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

The Government of Kyrgyz Republic hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Ednan Karabayev,
Minister of Foreign Affairs
of Kyrgyz Republic

Bishkek, 12 August 1993

**The Director-General
Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations
Rome**

APPENDIX G

DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER
and
FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTER
OF THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC

Milan Kňažko

Bratislava, February 12, 1993
No.: 824/93-KM

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of the Slovak Republic has decided to apply for membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. I therefore, request that, in conformity with Rule XIX, Paragraph 2 of the General Rules of the Organization, this application be laid before the Conference of the Organization which, I understand, will hold its next Session in Rome in November 1993.

The Government of the Slovak Republic hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of that Organization, and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Mr. Edouard Saouma
The Director-General
Food and Agriculture Organization
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Viale delle Terme di Caracalla
Rome
ITALY

DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER
and
FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTER
OF THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC

Milan Kňažko

Bratislava, February 12, 1993
No.: 825/93 - KM

INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

The Government of the Slovak Republic hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Mr. Edouard Saouma
The Director General
Food and Agriculture Organization
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Rome
ITALY

APPENDIX H

VLADA
REPUBLIKE SLOVENIJE

Ljubljana, 10 June 1992

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of the Republic of Slovenia has decided to apply for membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. I therefore request that in conformity with the Rule XIX, Paragraph 2 of the General Rules of the Organization, this application be laid before the Conference of the Organization.

The Government of the Republic of Slovenia hereby formally accepts the obligation of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry these obligations as in force at that time of admission.

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Dr. Janez Drnovšek
President of the Government
of the Republic of Slovenia

Dr. Edouard Saouma
Director-General
Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations
Viale delle Terme di Caracalla
Rome
Italy

VLADA
REPUBLIKE SLOVENIJE

Ljubljana, 10 June 1992

INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

The Government of the Republic of Slovenia hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization, and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Dr. Janez Drnovšek
President of the Government
of the Republic of Slovenia

Dr. Edouard Saouma
Director-General
Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations
Viale delle Terme di Caracalla
Rome
Italy

APPENDIX I

GOVERNMENT
OF THE REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA
19-1569/2

Skopje, 17 May 1993

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of the Republic of Macedonia has decided to apply for membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. I therefore, request that, in conformity with Rule XIX, Paragraph 2 of the General Rules of the Organization, this application be laid before the Conference of the Organization which, I understand, will hold its next Session in Rome, 6-25 November 1993.

The Government of the Republic of Macedonia hereby formally accepts the obligations of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization, and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Branko Crvenkovski,
President of the Government

The Director-General
Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations
Viale delle Terme di Caracalla
Rome
ITALY

INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

WHEREAS Article II.2 of the Constitution of the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations provides for the admission of States as members to the aforementioned Organisation by way of application; and

WHEREAS the Government of the Republic of South Africa has applied for the admission of the Republic of South Africa to the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations; and

WHEREAS Rule XIX.1 of the General Rules of the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations provides that such an application must be accompanied or followed by a formal instrument of acceptance of the Constitution of the said Organisation;

NOW THEREFORE, the Government of the Republic of South Africa accepts the obligations of the Constitution of the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations as in force at the time of admission;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, ROELOF FREDERIK BOTHA, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of South Africa, have signed and sealed these presents at Pretoria on this the 31st day of October in the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-one.

MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

APPENDIX J

TELEPHONE 8419794
FAX 8840848

SOUTH AFRICAN EMBASSY
Via Tanaro, 14 - 00198 Roma

October 4, 1991

Dr. Edouard Saouma,
Director-General
Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations
Via delle Terme di Caracalla
00100
Rome

Dear Sir,

RE : APPLICATION FOR SOUTH AFRICA'S READMISSION TO FAO

I wish to convey to you the decision of my government to apply for the readmission of South Africa to FAO in terms of article 2 of the FAO Constitution.

I would appreciate it if you could take the necessary steps regarding this request.

I wish to thank you for the consideration given to this matter so far.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely

G R W Babb
AMBASSADOR

GOVERNMENT
OF THE REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA
19-1569/2

Skopje, 17 May 1993

INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

The Government of the Republic of Macedonia hereby formally accepts the obligation of membership in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as laid down in the Constitution of that Organization and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out these obligations as in force at the time of admission.

Branko Crvenkovski,
President of the Government

The Director-General
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