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Election of Chairperson and Members of the Finance Committee

1. Under Rule XXVII of the General Rules of the Organization (GRO), the Finance Committee consists of a Chairperson and 12 Members (two Members from each of the following regions: Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean and Near East, and one Member from North America and from Southwest Pacific). Each Member Nation seeking election to the Committee should communicate the name of the representative they would appoint if elected, and details of his or her qualifications and experience, to the Secretary-General of the Conference and Council (Rule XXVII.2 of the GRO).
2. The procedure for the election of Members of the Committee provides for Member Nations of the Organization to stand for election for a specific region as determined by the Conference for the purpose of Council elections, and that the Council first elect a Chairperson from among the nominated representatives of Member Nations. The Chairperson shall be elected on the basis of individual qualifications and shall not represent a region or a country.
3. The nominations received are listed below and the information on the qualifications and experience of the candidates for (i) the office of Chairperson is given in *Appendix A* and for (ii) Membership of the Committee is given in *Appendix B*.

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4. The following nominations have been received for the post of Chairperson of the Finance Committee:

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| Mr Mafizur Rahman | (Bangladesh) |
| Mr Lupiño Lazaro, Jr. | (Philippines) |

5. The following nominations have been received for election to the Finance Committee:

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| AFRICA | ANGOLA | (Mr Carlos Alberto Amaral) |
| | EQUATORIAL GUINEA | (Mr Mateo Nsogo Nguere Micue) |
| ASIA AND THE PACIFIC | BANGLADESH | (Mr Mafizur Rahman) |
| | CHINA | (Mr Xie Jianmin) |
| | PHILIPPINES | (Mr Lupiño Lazaro, Jr.) |
| EUROPE | GERMANY | (Mr Heiner Thofern) |
| | RUSSIAN FEDERATION | (Mr Vladimir V. Kuznetsov) |
| LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN | BRAZIL | (Mr Antonio Otávio Sá Ricarte) |
| | MEXICO | (Mr Benito Santiago Jiménez Sauma) |
| NEAR EAST | EGYPT | (Mr Khaled El Taweel) |
| | SUDAN | (Mr Sid Ahmed M. Alamain Hamid Alamain) |
| NORTH AMERICA | UNITED STATES OF AMERICA | (Mr Thomas M. Duffy) |
| SOUTHWEST PACIFIC | AUSTRALIA | (Ms Cathrine Stephenson) |

6. The elections are governed by the provisions of Rule XII of the GRO. In accordance with paragraph 10 of this Rule, the Chairperson may submit to the Council that appointment be decided by clear general consent without recourse to a secret ballot when there are not more candidates than seats to be filled.

APPENDIX A

BANGLADESH

Name: **Mr MAFIZUR RAHMAN**

Present functions/activities:

August 2012 - present Dr Rahman is working as Economic Counsellor of Bangladesh Embassy to cover the multilateral affairs for the three Rome-based Agencies. Currently, he is a CFS Bureau member and Chairing CFS MYPoW. He was Programme Committee member in 2013 and Alternate member of IFAD for the same year. Moreover, he is now a member of the FAO-WFP Staff Pension Committee and member of the WFP Executive Board.

Main previous functions/activities:

February 1988 - July 2012 Dr Rahman is working as a public servant for more than 28 years in Bangladesh Government. He was the chief executive of a big administrative unit of the country. He was posted as Hajj Counsellor of Bangladesh in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia for three years.

PHILIPPINES

Name: Mr LUPIÑO LAZARO, JR.

Present functions/activities:

January 2012-present Deputy Permanent Representative and Agriculture Attaché,
Permanent Representation of the Philippines to the United
Nations Rome-based Agencies

Main previous functions/activities:

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| July 2015 - June 2017 | Philippine Representative, FAO Finance Committee |
| January 2012 - December 2015, January 2017 - July 2018 | Philippine Representative, FAO Council |
| April 2017 | Vice Chairman representing the Philippines, 156 th Session of FAO Council |
| March 2013 - December 2014 | Chairman, International Steering Committee of 2014 International Year of Family Farming |
| October 2013 - October 2015 | Vice Chairman (ad interim) and Member representing the Philippines, FAO Committee on World Food Security Bureau |
| October 2013 | Chairman representing the Philippines, Drafting Committee of 40 th Session of FAO Committee on World Food Security |
| February 2013 - February 2014 | Convenor of List B and Member representing the Philippines, WFP Executive Board Bureau |
| May 2012 - October 2014 | Philippine Representative, FAO Committee on Commodity Problems Bureau |
| November 2012 - June 2013 | Chairman, Working Group on the Future of the International Rice Commission |
| January 2012 - December 2015 | Philippine Representative, WFP Executive Board |

APPENDIX B

ANGOLA

Name: Mr CARLOS ALBERTO AMARAL

Present functions/activities:

Minister Counsellor of the Embassy of Angola in Italy, Deputy Permanent Representative of Angola to FAO, IFAD and WFP, Rome

Main previous functions/activities:

Active participation in Governing Body sessions and other meetings in the Rome-based United Nations Agencies, including FAO Conference and Council, CoC-IEE, COFI Sub-committee on Trade (Vice-Chairperson), WFP Executive Board, IFAD Executive Board

1998 – 2014 Counsellor, Embassy of Angola, Italy

2007 – 2011 Member of the FAO Programme Committee

1996 – 1998 Economic Counsellor to the Minister for Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Angola

1992 – 1996 Member of the Administrative Council of the Angolan Fisheries Development Fund

1992 Economic Counsellor, Embassy of Angola, Belgium

1980 – 1996 National Director, Office of Analysis, Planning and Statistics, Ministry of Fisheries, Angola

1976 – 1977 Head of Department, Direction of Geology and Mines

1975 – 1976 Secretary of the Department of National Reconstruction

1972 – 1974 Teacher of Mathematics and Accounting

AUSTRALIA

Name: **Ms CATHRINE STEPHENSON**

Present functions/activities:

July 2016 - July 2017 Minister-Counsellor (Agriculture) and Deputy Permanent Representative of Australia to the FAO and member of the Australian delegation to the OECD

Main previous functions/activities:

2015-June 2016 Senior Executive, Australian Ministry of Agriculture and Water Resources, responsible for rural research and development policy
Member of the Ministry's Executive Management Committee overseeing the ministry's financial and human resource operations

2013-2014 Senior Executive, Australian Ministry of Agriculture and Water Resources, responsible for export certification of dairy, fish and eggs

2009-2012 Senior Executive, Australian Ministry of Agriculture and Water Resources, responsible for parliamentary liaison and policy coordination

2002-2009 Senior Adviser, Ministry of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, responsible for advising on rural, environment and water policy

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BRAZIL

Name: **Mr ANTONIO OTÁVIO SÁ RICARTE**

Present functions/activities:

2015 - present Deputy Permanent Representative of Brazil to FAO, IFAD and WFP
Minister Council

Main previous functions/activities:

Mr Antonio Ricarte holds a BA in International Relations from the University of Brasilia and a Masters in Diplomacy from the diplomatic academy of Brazil, Instituto Rio Branco. He is a career diplomat since 1986, having been posted in the Permanent Missions of Brazil in Geneva (United Nations, Environment and Human Rights), Montevideo (Mercosur), Paris (UNESCO) and Nairobi (UN-Habitat and UNEP).

He was a member of the Brazilian delegation to the Preparatory Committee for UNCED and attended the Rio Summit (1992) and Rio+20 (2012). He also negotiated the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Rio Declaration and the Forest Principles.

Mr Ricarte was a member and served as rapporteur of the World Heritage Committee, the Intergovernmental Committee on Intangible Heritage and the Intergovernmental Committee on Cultural Diversity. Since 2015, he is Deputy Permanent Representative of Brazil to FAO, WFP and IFAD.

CHINA

Name: **Mr XIE JIANMIN**

Present functions/activities:

2015 - 2017 Counsellor, Deputy Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture, Rome
Participated in the 160th-166th Sessions of the Finance Committee

Main previous functions/activities:

2009-2015 Deputy Director-General, Department of International Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture

He was in charge of China-US, China-Latin America and Caribbean, China-Australia and other bilateral cooperation

2002-2009 Counsellor, Chinese mission to the WTO

Ministerial Meetings of the WTO memberships

He focused on international trade in agricultural products, WTO agricultural trade agreement, free trade area negotiations, policy research and planning of agricultural international cooperation

1986-2002 He has been long engaged in agricultural development planning, planning and research, investment and project planning and management, agricultural and rural economic development policy research

EGYPT

Name: **Mr KHALED EL TAWEEL**

Present functions/activities:

2013 - present Alternate Permanent Representative of the Arab Republic of Egypt to FAO, IFAD and WFP and representative for UNIDROIT and IDLO
Chairperson of the FAO Committee on Commodity Problems (CCP)
Chairperson of the Committee of Food Security (CFS) Open Ended Working Group on Nutrition
Visiting Lecturer, Faculty of Law, Luiss Guido Carli, Rome

Main previous functions/activities:

2012-2013 First Secretary, Chief of the cabinet of the Assistant Minister for International Economic Relations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
2008-2012 Diplomat, Embassy of Egypt, South Africa
2003-2006 Diplomat, Embassy of Egypt, Yemen

EQUATORIAL GUINEA

Name: **Mr MATEO NSOGO NGUERE MICUE**

Present functions/activities:

Since November 2015 Counsellor on Agricultural Affairs at the Embassy of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea in Italy and Alternate Permanent Representative to the United Nations Agencies in Rome

Main previous functions/activities:

2012-2015 Administrative Officer, Permanent Mission of Equatorial Guinea to the United Nations Agencies in Rome

GERMANY**Name: Mr HEINER THOFERN**

Present functions/activities:

2015 – present Minister, Deputy Permanent Representative of the Federal Republic of Germany to the International Organizations in Rome
Member of the FAO Finance Committee

Main previous functions/activities:

2014 – 2015 Head of Division “World Food Affairs, International Food and Agriculture Organizations”, Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture, Berlin
2009 – 2014 Senior Coordinator, Bioenergy and Food Security Projects, FAO, Rome
2003 – 2008 Deputy Permanent Representative of the Federal Republic of Germany to FAO and other International Organizations in Rome
2005 – 2007 Chairperson of the FAO Committee on Commodity Problems
1999 – 2003 Head of Division “International Trade Policy”, Federal Ministry of Consumer Protection, Food and Agriculture, Berlin
1992 – 1999 Desk Officer, Alternate Personal Assistant to the Federal Minister, Federal Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Forestry, Berlin

MEXICO

Name: **Mr BENITO SANTIAGO JIMÉNEZ SAUMA**

Present functions/activities:

Since 2013 Alternate Permanent Representative of Mexico, Permanent Mission of Mexico to the Rome-based UN Agencies in Rome

Since 2016 Alternate Governor of Mexico to IFAD

Main previous functions/activities:

2010-2013 Director for Climate Change, General Direction of Global Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico

 Activities: Green Climate Fund, Long-term finance, Kyoto Protocol, Conferences of the Parties of the UNFCCC

2004-2010 Delegate to the Second Committee of the General Assembly of the United Nations, Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations, New York

 Activities: Sustainable Development, HIV/AIDS, ECOSOC

2000-2004 Deputy Director of Environment, General Direction of Global Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico

 Activities: Sustainable Development, Environmental Conventions, Climate change, CBD

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| November 2012 - June 2013 | Chairman, Working Group on the Future of the International Rice Commission |
| January 2012 - December 2015 | Philippine Representative, WFP Executive Board |

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

Name: **Mr VLADIMIR V. KUZNETSOV**

Present functions/activities:

July 2014 – present Director, Department of Administration and General Services, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation
Member of the Finance Committee

Main previous functions/activities:

2012 – 2014 Deputy Director-General, Main Administration for Services to the Diplomatic Corps, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation

2009 – 2012 Chief Adviser, Main Administration for Services to the Diplomatic Corps, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation

1996 – 2009 Head of Division, Department of International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (deals with financial, budgetary, management and personnel issues of international organizations)

2004 – 2005 Chairperson of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions of the United Nations

1999 – 2003 Member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions of the United Nations

1998 – 2000 Alternate Member of the Budget Committee of the Council of Europe

1995 – 2000 Member of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board

1996 – 1998 Member of the Russian delegation to the sessions of the Preparatory Commission for the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Test-Ban Treaty Committee of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), Steering Board of the Peace Implementation Council (PIC)

1986 – 1997 Member of the USSR, Russian Federation delegation to the 42nd – 53rd sessions of the Fifth Committee (Administrative and Budgetary Issues) of the General Assembly; member of the delegation to the 31st – 38th sessions of the Committee for Programme and Coordination; member of the delegation to the sessions of the Committee on Conferences of the United Nations

1992 – 1996 First Secretary, Counsellor, Senior Counsellor, Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations

1994 Member of the *ad hoc* Intergovernmental Group of Experts established pursuant to General Assembly Resolution 48/218

1990 – 1991 Second Secretary, USSR Permanent Mission to the UN (delegate to the Fifth Committee)

1984 – 1989 Attaché, Third, Second Secretary, Division of Administrative and Budgetary Matters and UN Secretariat Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1980 – 1984 UN Secretariat, New York

SUDAN

Name: **Mr SID AHMED M. ALAMAIN HAMID ALAMAIN**

Present functions/activities:

Since July 2016 First Secretary, Alternate Permanent Representative of the Republic of the Sudan to UN Agencies based in Rome

Main previous functions/activities:

June 2014 - July 2016 Desk Officer, Department of Economic and Technical Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Sudan
Desk Officer, Information Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Sudan
Desk Officer, Africa Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Sudan
Desk Officer, North and South America Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Sudan

July 2016 to date Participation in the meetings of the Committee on World Food Security, 43rd Plenary Session and OEWGs
Participation in the meetings of G77 and China and Africa Regional Groups

July - December 2016 Coordinator of the East-Africa subregional group
Participation in the 155th Session of FAO Council

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Name: **Mr THOMAS M. DUFFY**

Present functions/activities:

Since July 2016 Deputy Permanent Representative

Main previous functions/activities:

2015-2016 Faculty, U.S. National War College, Washington D.C.
2012-2015 Director, Office of UN Political Affairs, Washington D.C.
2010-2012 U.S. Consul General, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia