

172nd Session of the FAO Council

Item 11: Report of the 118th Session of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (Rome, 6-8 March 2023)

During the 118th Session, held from 6 to 8 March 2023 in hybrid modality, the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (CCLM), after having considered the relevant documents prepared by the CCLM Secretariat, makes specific recommendations for decision by the Council on:

- the restoration by the Conference of the voting rights of Member Nations in arrears in the payment of their financial contributions to the Organization;
- the proposal to amend the Statute of the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC); and
- the Draft Voluntary Code of Conduct for Voting procedures under Rule XII of the General Rules of the Organization (GROs) as referred to in the Conference and Council Reports.

The CCLM considered the process of election of the Chairperson of the Committee on Forestry (COFO) and brings to the attention of the Council for its endorsement, its conclusions regarding these items.

Finally, the CCLM considered the update on:

- the review of the jurisdictional set-up of the United Nations common system;
- the participation of private sector as observers at the FAO Governing Body sessions; and
- the status of recommendations presented in the JIU Report *Review of the State of the Investigation Function: Progress made in the United Nations System Organizations in Strengthening the Investigation Function* (JIU/REP/2020/1).

The Committee informs the Council of the CCLM's considerations with respect to these items.

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