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## COUNCIL

### Hundred and Twenty-sixth Session

Rome, 11 December 2003

### ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. Under the provisions of Rule XXVII of the General Rules of the Organization, as revised by the 32<sup>nd</sup> Session of the FAO Conference, the Finance Committee consists of representatives of eleven Member Nations elected by the Council: seven from the regions of Africa, Asia, Near East, and Latin America and the Caribbean; four from the regions of Europe, North America, and Southwest Pacific.
2. Under the provisions of the same Rule, Member Nations seeking election to the Committee communicate to the Secretary-General of the Conference and Council the name of the representative they would appoint if elected and details of his qualifications and experience. This information is in turn circulated in writing to Members of the Council.
3. The procedures for election of Members of the Committee require that Member Nations 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 designated representatives of the prospective Members of the Committee. After electing the Chairperson, the Council elects the other ten Members of the Committee in two stages, making the necessary adjustment to take into account the Member Nation of which the Chairperson is a national and the region to which that Member Nation belongs.
4. The two stages are (a) the election of seven (or six) Members from the regions of Africa, Asia, Near East, and Latin America and the Caribbean, and (b) the election of four (or three) Members from the regions of Europe, North America, and Southwest Pacific.
5. The nominations received are listed below and the information on the qualifications and experience of the designated representatives of the prospective Members of the Committee is given in Appendix A for stage (a) and Appendix B for stage (b).

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

PAKISTAN (Mohammad Saleem Khan)	ASIA
PERU (Roberto Seminario Portocarrero)	LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

7. The following five nominations have been received for election to the Finance Committee from the regions of Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean, and Near East:

COTE D'IVOIRE (Bakayoko Aboubakar)	AFRICA
ZIMBABWE (Ms Verenica Takaendesa)	
JAPAN (Ms Ryuko Inoue)	ASIA
PARAGUAY (Ms Ana María Baiardi Quesnel)	LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN
KUWAIT (Ms Lamya Ahmed Al-Saqqaf)	NEAR EAST

8. The following four nominations have been received for election to the Finance Committee from the regions of Europe, North America and Southwest Pacific.

ITALY (Augusto Zodda)	EUROPE
UNITED KINGDOM (Anthony Beattie)	
USA (J. Michael Cleverley)	NORTH AMERICA
NEW ZEALAND (Simon J. Draper)	SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

9. The elections are governed by the provisions of Rule XII of the General Rules of the Organization. It should be noted that in accordance with paragraph 9 of this Rule, the Chairman 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 vacancies.

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**APPENDIX A**


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**COTE D'IVOIRE**

**Name: BAKAYOKO ABOUBAKAR**

**Present functions:** Agricultural Adviser, Alternate Permanent Representative of Côte d'Ivoire to FAO, WFP and IFAD (since 18 October 1999)

**Main previous functions:**

1975-1986	Officer at the National Bank of Agricultural Development of Côte d'Ivoire (Service Chief then Regional Director and Deputy Director of Regional Agency)
1987-1990	Assistant Director for Planning at the Ministry of Water and Forests
1990-1999	Service Chief, then Secretary-General of the National Committee on Food

**Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:**

FAO	Meetings of Governing Bodies and their Technical Committees since 1995 World Food Summit (1996) and World Food Summit: <i>five years later</i> (2002)
WFP	Executive Board 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003 Consultation on Good Governance Consultation on Humanitarian Affairs Consultation on WFP's Resource Mobilization Strategy
IFAD	Governing Council 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003 Consultations on the Fifth and Sixth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources

**JAPAN**

Name: **Ms RYUKO INOUE**

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Present functions: Minister, Embassy of Japan, Rome and Permanent Representative of Japan to FAO

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Main previous functions:

1995-1996 Deputy Director, Administration Division, Food Marketing Bureau, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF)

1996-1998 Director, International Maritime Agreements Office, Maritime Transport Bureau, Ministry of Transport

1998-2000 Director, Vegetable Supply Stabilization Fund; a quasi-governmental organization implementing vegetable supply stabilization measures

2001-2002 Director, International Affairs Office, Agricultural Production Bureau, MAFF

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

1997-1998 Chairman of the Maritime Initiative Meeting, APEC Transport Working Group

2003 Member of 102<sup>nd</sup>, 103<sup>rd</sup>, 104<sup>th</sup>, 105<sup>th</sup> Sessions of the FAO Finance Committee

Delegate to the 124<sup>th</sup> and 125<sup>th</sup> Council Sessions, 32<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Conference and other FAO meetings

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**KUWAIT**

Name: **Ms LAMYA AHMED AL-SAQQAF**

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Present position: Counsellor and Permanent Representative to FAO  
(since March 2003)

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Main previous positions:

1981-1985 University of Kuwait, Faculty of Medicine, Assistant Professor,  
Department of Microbiology  
Lecturer of Immunology to medical students, University of Kuwait  
Lecturer of Immunology to medical doctors at ADNAN Hospital,  
Kuwait

1985-1986 Ministry of Health, Kuwait: Research Fellow – Department of  
Diabetes and Immunogenetics at St. Bartholomew's Hospital  
Medical College, London

1986-1991 Ministry of Health, Kuwait: Honorary Lecturer, Department of  
Diabetes and Metabolism, St. Bartholomew's Hospital Medical  
School, London

1990-1991 Ministry of Health, Kuwait: Honorary Senior Lecturer, Department  
of Immunology, the Royal London Hospital Medical College,  
London

1991-1994 Kuwait Investment Office, London: Head of Diagnostic and Therapy  
Services, St. Martin's Hospitals, London

1994-2000 Kuwait Investment Office, London: Director of Clinical Services, St.  
Martin's Hospitals, London

2000-February 2003 Cultural Diplomat, Kuwait Embassy, Rome

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

**PAKISTAN**

Name: **MOHAMMAD SALEEM KHAN**

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Present functions: Joint Secretary (International Cooperation and Development Planning), Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock, Islamabad

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Main previous functions:

1979-1981	Chief, Tribal Areas Development, Government of North West Frontier Province (NWFP)
1985-1988	Chief, Planning and Development (Agriculture), Government of NWFP
1986-1987	Additional Permanent Secretary for Finance, Government of NWFP
1988-1992	Alternate Permanent Representative of Pakistan to FAO, WFP and IFAD
1994-1996	Permanent Secretary to State Government of NWFP for Health
1992-1996	Permanent Secretary to State Government of NWFP for Planning and Development, Environment and Women Development

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

	A. Key Offices in United Nations System, Rome :
1989	Chairman, Group of 77, Rome Chapter
1991	Chairman, Asia Regional Group, Rome
1990-1991	Chairman , FAO Inter-Governmental Group on Rice
1991-1993	Director, Executive Board of the United Nations IFAD
1990-1991	Member, FAO Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (CCLM)
September-October 2003	Member, FAO Finance Committee
1992-1993	Member, FAO Finance Committee
1994-1997	Chairman, FAO Finance Committee

B. International Negotiations/Working Groups :

Was a member of ad hoc/special working groups on :

- Review of Certain Aspects of FAO Role, Goals and Activities during the 25<sup>th</sup> Session of the Conference
- Third Replenishment of IFAD's Resources including its select Sub-Committee for Negotiating the Final Agreement (1988-1989)
- Working Group on Governance of WFP (1990)

- Member, WFP Sub-Committee on Restructuring of the CFA (1991)

#### C. Representation at United Nations meetings

- Member of Pakistan delegation to the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> Sessions of the FAO Conference
- Member of Pakistan delegation to the 95<sup>th</sup>, 96<sup>th</sup>, 97<sup>th</sup>, 98<sup>th</sup>, 99<sup>th</sup>, 100<sup>th</sup>, 101<sup>st</sup> and 122<sup>nd</sup> Sessions of the FAO Council
- Vice-Chair of the FAO Council at its 96<sup>th</sup> Session and Chairman of its Drafting Committee at the 98<sup>th</sup> Session
- Head of Pakistan delegation to the 25<sup>th</sup> Session of the UN-WFP Committee on Food Aid Policies (CFA) and member of Pakistan delegation at the 26<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> Sessions of the CFA and the 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Sessions of its Sub-Committee on Projects
- Chairman of the Drafting Committee of CFA at its 28<sup>th</sup> Session
- Member of Pakistan's delegation at the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Sessions of the Governing Council of IFAD
- Member of Pakistan delegation to the 15<sup>th</sup> Session of the World Food Council
- Represented Pakistan at various meetings of the Technical Committees of FAO and the various inter-governmental groups on commodity problems
- Member of Pakistan delegation to the World Food Summit: *five years later* (2002)

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**PARAGUAY**

Name: Ms ANA MARIA BAIARDI QUESNEL

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Present functions: Minister, Alternate Permanent Representative of Paraguay to FAO,  
Rome

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Main previous functions:

Counsellor of Paraguay in Spain  
Director for America  
Principal Private Secretary of the Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs  
First Secretary of Paraguay to the United Nations  
Director of the Information Technology Unit at the Ministry of  
Foreign Affairs

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

Thirty-first Session of the FAO Conference  
Council of FAO 119<sup>th</sup>, 120<sup>th</sup>, 121<sup>st</sup>, 122<sup>nd</sup>, 123<sup>rd</sup>, 124<sup>th</sup> Sessions  
FAO Programme Committee (2001-2003)  
FAO Committee on Agriculture (COAG), Committee on Forestry  
(COFO), Committee on Commodity Problems (CCP), Committee on  
World Food Security (CFS) (2001-2003)  
World Food Summit: *five years later* (2002)  
General Assembly of the United Nations 46<sup>th</sup> to 51<sup>st</sup> sessions  
United Nations World Conference on Women (Beijing, 1995)  
United Nations World Conference on Human Rights (Vienna, 1993)

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**PERU**

**Name:** **ROBERTO SEMINARIO PORTOCARRERO**

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**Present functions:** Deputy Permanent Representative of Peru to the UN Agencies in Rome

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**Main previous functions:**

1986	Embassy of Peru in Bulgaria
1989	Embassy of Peru in Uruguay
1995	Embassy of Peru in Ecuador Consul General in Loja, Ecuador
1998	Deputy Consul General in Miami
1999	Director of Limits in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Peru

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**Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:**

## ZIMBABWE

**Name:** Ms Verenica Takaendesa

**Present functions:** Since 2001: Chief Agricultural Economist, Agricultural Development Policy and Projects Management Section, Ministry of Lands, Agriculture and Rural Resettlement, responsible for:

- Formulation, analysis and implementation of Government agricultural policy. Advising management on resource use policies and strategies.
- Quarterly reports on results gained during assessment, implementation and monitoring of Government and donor funded projects and programmes.
- Technical advice on the results of the use of agricultural resources in different sub-sectors of the economy.
- Coordinating agricultural development programmes and projects funded by FAO, IFAD, World Bank, ADB and other multilateral donors.
- Background papers for regional and international conferences such as FAO Council and Conferences, IFAD Governing Council and SADC Summits.
- Compilation and collation of information for the preparation of long-term (strategic) plans outlining Government's involvement in the overall management of the agricultural sector.
- Agriculture sector planning within the national development context, including drought, population policy, crop forecasting, economic recovery and gender.

**Main previous functions:**

1994-2001 Senior Agricultural Economist: Policy and Planning, Ministry of Lands, Agriculture and Rural Settlement

- Assisting in the collection and compilation of information needed to assess the overall impact of agricultural policies on the agricultural sector in close cooperation with other sections and departments.
- Assisting in the development and implementation of Agricultural Sector Investment Programme.
- Assisting in the preparation of terms of reference for technical studies.
- Assisting in the preparation of plans for drought and drought recovery in close liaison with other Ministry's departments.
- Represent the Ministry in periodic crop and livestock forecasting exercise.

**Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:**

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**APPENDIX B**


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**ITALY**

Name: **AUGUSTO ZODDA**

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Present functions: Director General for General Affairs – Italian Treasury Department  
Member of the Board of SACE (Italian Export Credit Agency)

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Main previous functions:

November 1965	Joined the Italian Treasury as Junior Counsellor
1972-1974	Member of the European Community Group on Capital movements
June 1982-June 1983	Member of the Working Group for interventions on exchange markets set up by the Versailles G7 Summit
October 1983- December 1985	Director on the Board of ICLE (Istituto Nazionale Credito Lavoro Italiano all'estero Gruppo Monte dei Paschi di Siena)
May 1987- December 1989	Member of the Board of the Italian Exchange Office
July 1987 December 1997	Member of the Board of Coopercredito (Banca Nazionale del Lavoro)
January 1989- December 1998	Member of the Monetary Committee of the European Union
October 1990- December 1998	Finance Sub Sherpa for the preparation of G-7 Summits
1992-1995	Deputy Chief of Cabinet of the Minister of Treasury
April 1996-July 2002	Member of the Board of "Europrogetti e Finanze"(Project finance institution)
July 1996- December 2001	President of the Audit Committee of "Fondazione Banca Nazionale Comunicazioni"
February 1997- December 1998	Director of International Affairs in the Treasury Department
March 1997- December 1998	Member of the Board of Mediocredito Centrale (Italian bank)
April 1999- December 2001	Member of the Board of Banco di Napoli
February 2000- July 2003	Member of the Board of "Gestore della rete di trasmissione nazionale – S.p.A." (GRTN)

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies

Executive Board Director for Italy in IFAD

**NEW ZEALAND**

**Name:** **SIMON J. DRAPER**

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**Present position:** Deputy Head of Mission and Counsellor, New Zealand Embassy, Rome.

The Embassy is accredited to Italy, Portugal, Greece, Croatia, Malta, Slovenia, Bosnia-Herzegovina. Also accredited to the UN Agencies in Rome – FAO, WFP and IFAD.

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**Main previous positions:**

1991-1992 Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade: Desk Officer, Australia Division, Wellington

1992-1996 Second Secretary, New Zealand Embassy, Seoul, Republic of Korea. Main components of the job included leading bilateral beef access negotiations with the Government and liaison with New Zealand/Republic of Korea business and friendship societies. Milestones included

- The hosting of a successful investment workshop in the Republic of Korea attended by over 200 Korean business leaders.
- Media liaison during the Prime Minister's visit to the Republic of Korea in 1996.

1996-May 1998 Cook Islands: Development Programme Manager

This was New Zealand's largest bilateral aid programme, and had over 36 individual programmes. Project included implementation of a national revenue management (tax) system in the Cook Islands, implementation of a five year tourism project, financial management training for senior Cook Island officials and technical assistance with a public sector reform programme.

September 1997- August 1998 Cultural Affairs Private Secretary, Minister of Cultural Affairs.

Duties involved managing the relationship with the then Coalition Minister of Maori Affairs as well as board appointments to a range of institutions. Assisted the Minister in the run up to the opening of New Zealand National Museum – Te Papa.

1997-2000 Foreign Affairs and Trade Private Secretary.

In 1997 seconded to Parliament to advise on Foreign Affairs and Trade Issues.

Work focus over the last year has been the Minister Matt Robson's Chairmanship of the United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development, requiring travel to England, France, Ukraine, Russia, Austria, South Africa, USA, China, India, Pakistan, Samoa, Fiji and Brazil. Remit covers Climate Change and Antarctic issues.

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

Adviser to Chairman, Commission on Sustainable Development  
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Attendance at the World Food Summit: *five years later* (2002)

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**UNITED KINGDOM**

Name: **ANTHONY BEATTIE**

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Present functions: Ambassador and UK Permanent Representative to the UN Food and Agriculture Agencies in Rome (since 1997)

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Main previous functions:

1966-1969	Economic Planning Division, Office of the President, Government of Malawi
1969-1974	Government Economic Service, Economic Planning Staff, Overseas Development Administration (ODA), London
1974-1978	Economic Adviser, Dependent Territories Division (based in Foreign and Commonwealth Office, London)
1978	Transferred from Government Economic Service to Administration Group
1978-1980	Bilateral Aid Policy and Rural Development Department, ODA, London
1980-1982	Finance Department, ODA, London
1982-1986	Head of Overseas Pensions Department, ODA, Scotland
1986-1996	Director and Chief Executive, Natural Resources Institute (NRI – the executive agency of what is now the Department for International Development). Under-Secretary and Agency Accounting Officer (from 1990)
1996-1997	Seconded to the Cabinet Office, London

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies:

Five years in Rome as UK Permanent Representative, with policy responsibility within DFID for FAO and IFAD since June 1999. During this period have held the following positions:

FAO	Head of UK delegation to majority of governing bodies meetings – 1997 to date
	Chair of Commission II (biennial Programme of Work and Budget) at 1997 FAO Conference
	Vice-Chair of Finance Committee since 1999
	Co-Chair of the Geneva Group in Rome – 1997 to date
World Food Programme (WFP)	Head of UK delegation to WFP Executive Board
	Chair of Executive Board's Working Group on Governance – 1999 to date
	Vice-President of the Executive Board – 2002
	President of the Executive Board – 2003

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International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)	UK Executive Director – 1997 to date Chair of IFAD’s Audit Committee 1997-2002 Convenor of IFAD’s List A (OECD members) 1997-2001
Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR)	UK Representative on the Finance Committee of the Executive Council 2003-2004

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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

Name: **J. MICHAEL CLEVERLEY**

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Present position: Deputy Permanent Representative at the US Mission to the UN Organizations in Rome

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Main previous positions:

1984-1978	Foreign service assignments: London (1984-1988); Helsinki (1979-1983); Milan (1976-1978)
1978-1979	Member of staff of the Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs, Washington
1989-1993	Economic Counselor, American Embassy, Athens, Greece
1993-1996	Economic Counselor, American Embassy, Pretoria, South Africa
1996-1999	Deputy Chief of Mission, American Embassy, Helsinki, Finland
1999	Deputy Stability Pact Coordinator, Department of State, Washington
2000-2003	Deputy Chief of Mission at the American Embassy, Athens, Greece

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Participation in meetings or activities of the United Nations and its Specialized Agencies: