

44th Session of the Conference

Item 8: Appointment of Representatives of the FAO Conference to the Staff Pension Committee

Mr Chairperson, ladies and gentlemen, distinguished delegates, you have before you document C 2025/10, titled *Appointment of Representatives of the FAO Conference to the Staff Pension Committee*.

The United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund provides retirement, death, disability and related benefits for the staff of the United Nations organizations, such as the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). The Fund is governed by the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board and the Staff Pension Committees in each of the member organizations. The Board's membership is drawn from the Staff Pension Committees, whose members and alternate members are chosen by the respective Governing Bodies, Executive Heads of the organizations and the participating staff of each organization.

In the case of FAO, the Conference appoints three of the nine Members and three of the nine Alternate Members to serve on the FAO Staff Pension Committee.

I wish to draw the attention of the Conference that only the Conference retains the authority to appoint both the members and alternate members representing the Governing Bodies to the FAO Staff Pension Committee.

The Secretariat has been informed that the following candidates have been nominated to serve as members and alternate members representing the FAO Conference on the Staff Pension Committee:

For the period 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2028

Member	Ms Emma Hatcher Deputy Permanent Representative of Australia to FAO
Alternate	Mr Khare Sixtus Mofilikoane Alternate Permanent Representative of the Kingdom of Lesotho to FAO

For the period 1 January 2027 to 31 December 2029

Member	Mr Ivan Novikov Alternate Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to FAO and other UN Agencies in Rome
Alternate	Mr Naieff SH J M Aldousari Alternate Permanent Representative of the State of Kuwait to FAO

The Conference may wish to consider these candidatures and, if it finds them acceptable, proceed with the appointment of the persons just named to serve as members and alternate members on the FAO Staff Pension Committee.

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