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UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN
INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR
AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

DRAFT FINAL ACT OF THE CONFERENCE

(As approved by the Meeting of Interested Countries and
recommended for adoption by the Conference)

1. The World Food Conference, in its resolution XIII, proposed that an International Fund for Agricultural Development be established immediately to finance agricultural development projects primarily for food production in the developing countries and that the Secretary-General of the United Nations be requested to convene urgently a meeting of all interested contributing developed countries, contributing developing countries and potential recipient countries and of institutions to work out the details, including the size of and commitments to the Fund. This proposal was endorsed by the General Assembly by resolution 3348 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974 and the Secretary-General thereupon convened three sessions of a Meeting of Interested Countries on the International Fund for Agricultural Development, in Geneva from 5 to 6 May 1975 and in Rome from 27 October to 1 November 1975 and from 28 January to 6 February 1976. On a recommendation of the Meeting adopted at its second session, the General Assembly by resolution 3503 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 requested the Secretary-General to convene, as soon as possible after the Meeting of Interested Countries has indicated to him that it had completed the preparatory work, a conference of plenipotentiaries on the establishment of an International Fund for Agricultural Development, to which should be invited:

(a) All States;

(b) Representatives of organizations that have received a standing invitation from the General Assembly to participate in the sessions and the work of all international conferences convened under the auspices of the Assembly in the capacity of observers, in accordance with its resolution 3237 (XXIX) of 22 November 1974;

(c) Representatives of the national liberation movements recognized in its area by the Organization of African Unity, in the capacity of observers, in accordance with resolution 3280 (XXIX) of 10 December 1974;

(d) Representatives of the specialized agencies and of the International Atomic Energy Agency, as well as of interested organs of the United Nations;

(e) Observers from interested non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council;

(f) Observers from regional intergovernmental organizations.

2. The United Nations Conference on the Establishment of an International Fund for Agricultural Development met at the headquarters of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and of the World Food Council in Rome, Italy, from 10 to ____ June 1976.

3. The following were participants in the Conference:

States

Grouping(s) of States

4. The following were represented by observers at the Conference:

States

Organizations and national liberation movements

Organs of the United Nations

Specialized and related agencies

Regional intergovernmental organizations

Non-governmental organizations

5. The Conference elected a Bureau composed of (name (country)) as President and the representatives of the following participants as Vice-Presidents: _____.

6. The Secretary-General of the United Nations was represented by (name, title). (Name, title) acted as Executive Secretary.

7. The Conference had before it a draft Agreement Establishing the International Fund for Agricultural Development (A/CONF.73/4) proposed to it by the Meeting of Interested Countries. On the basis of the deliberations recorded in the records of the Conference (A/CONF.73/SR.1-) the Conference adopted the following instrument:

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Agreement Establishing the International Fund for Agricultural Development

on ____ June 1976 [and opened it for signature on (the same date) at _____
(paraphrase of first sentence of section 1 (a) of article 13 of the Agreement)].
The Agreement was deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

8. The Conference also had before it the draft resolution embodying the Statute of a Preparatory Commission of the International Fund for Agricultural Development (A/CONF.73/6) proposed by the Meeting of Interested Countries. On ____ June 1976 the Conference adopted the resolution, which is annexed to this Final Act, and elected the following members of the Commission:

9. The Conference also adopted the following resolutions, which are annexed to this Final Act: (tributes to Governments, organizations, individuals).]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the representatives of the participants in the Conference have signed this Final Act.

DONE AT ROME, this _____ day of June _____ one thousand nine hundred and seventy-six in a single copy in the Arabic, English, French and Spanish languages, each text being equally authoritative, to be deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

The President of the Conference:

The Executive Secretary of the Conference:
