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ELECTION OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR THE 2002-2006 TERM

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Pursuant to Resolution 341 of the Executive Committee "Protocol Governing the Election of the Director General of the Institute," the Director General invited candidates for the position of Director General of the Institute to speak at the Twenty-first Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee, which was held at IICA Headquarters last July.

The candidates spoke in the following order, which was established by lot by the Executive Committee: Honduras, Brazil, Uruguay, Barbados and Colombia.

The Director General submits to the consideration of the governments of the Member States of the Institute the attached procedures for the election of the Director General for the 2002-2006 period. These procedures comply with the provisions of Chapter XIV "Election and Removal of the Director General" of the Rules of Procedure of the Inter-American Board of Agriculture (IABA).

II. VOTING

1. The election shall be held by secret ballot.
2. Each Member State shall be entitled to cast one vote.
3. Each Head of State or Government shall be entitled to cast one vote.
4. The ballots shall be counted by the Director General.
5. Votes shall be counted by the Director General.
6. The candidate receiving the majority of the votes shall be elected.
7. If no candidate receives a majority of the votes, a second ballot shall be taken. The candidate receiving the majority of the votes shall be elected.

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ON AGRICULTURE**

**PROCEDURE FOR ELECTING THE DIRECTOR GENERAL
2002 - 2006 TERM**

I. ELECTORAL BOARD

1. The electoral board shall be made up of two representatives of the Member States of the Institute, chosen at random, who will be in charge of counting the votes.
2. The members of the electoral board may not be of the same nationality as that of the candidates for Director General.
3. The Technical Secretary of the Eleventh Regular Meeting of the Inter-American Board of Agriculture shall supervise the voting.

II. VOTING

1. The election shall take place by secret ballot.
2. Each Member State, duly accredited to the Eleventh Regular Meeting of the Inter-American Board of Agriculture, shall receive the requisite number of ballots printed with the name of each of the candidates eligible during that round of voting.
2. Each Head of Delegation shall deposit one ballot in the ballot box provided for this purpose.
4. The ballots shall be counted by the members of the electoral board before being tallied.
5. Votes shall be counted in the presence of the participants of the meeting.
6. The candidate who receives the majority of votes (17), as called for in Article 19 of the Convention, shall be elected Director General of the Institute.
7. If no candidate obtains the required majority during the first round of voting, as many votes as necessary shall take place until such majority is obtained, and shall be limited to those candidates who received the two highest relative majorities in the immediately previous round.

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8. If no candidate obtains the required majority in any round of voting, the Board may suspend the session for the time it deems necessary.
9. New ballots shall be distributed for each vote, the color of which shall differ from the color of the previous ballots.
10. In event that there is a sole candidate, the election can take place by acclamation, provided that a majority of the Member States composing the Board is present.