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STATUS OF THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH AND TWENTY-FIFTH REGULAR MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Guayaquil, Ecuador

TWENTY-FOURTH REGULAR MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Status of the Resolutions

I. Overview

The Twenty-fourth Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee of IICA was held on 22-23 July 2004 at Institute Headquarters in San Jose, Costa Rica. The Member States sitting on the 2004 Executive Committee were: Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Colombia, Chile, El Salvador, United States of America, Guatemala, Peru, Dominican Republic, Suriname and Venezuela. The meeting was also attended by representatives of Canada, Costa Rica, Panama, and Ecuador, and of Spain, in its capacity as Associate State of the Institute. The Arab Republic of Egypt, France, Israel, Poland, and the Russian Federation attended as observer countries.

The Executive Committee was chaired by Mr. Bernardo López, Representative of Guatemala. Mr. Oscar Ghersi, Representative of Argentina, served as Rapporteur.

II. Progress made in complying with the resolutions adopted by the 2004 Executive Committee

RESOLUTION		STATUS
OPERATIVE POINTS	PROGRESS	ACTION PENDING
<p>1. Positioning of the Institute</p> <p>1.1 The Executive Committee, by Resolution 408, accepted the report on the progress made by the General Directorate in implementing the Institute's 2002-2006 Medium Term Plan and in transforming the Institute. It urged the Member States to continue supporting the General Directorate's efforts to strengthen the technical and financial aspects of the Institute.</p>	<p>Resolution implemented</p>	<p>Status:</p> <p>1. The updated report will be presented by the Director General at the Thirteenth Regular Meeting of the IABA in Guayaquil, Ecuador.</p>

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<p>2. 2003 Annual Report</p> <p>2.1 The Executive Committee adopted, by Resolution No. 409, the “<i>2003 Annual Report</i>,” demonstrating in this way its support for the Institute’s work during that year, in connection with its technical cooperation, relations with strategic partners, administrative management, and the management of the Institute’s financial resources.</p>	<p>Resolution implemented</p>	<p>Action pending: None</p>
<p>3. Strengthening of priority programs</p> <p>3.1 The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 410 “<i>IICA Action in the Areas of Trade, Agribusiness, Agricultural Health and Food Safety</i>,” (i) recognized the progress achieved by the Program; (ii) instructed the Director General to strengthen and expand IICA’s cooperation services in this field, and (iii) urged the Member States to pay their quota arrearages so that the Institute will have the additional resources needed to strengthen cooperation.</p> <p>3.2. The Executive Committee approved the Action Plan prepared by IICA in response to the general assessment of its Agricultural Health and Food Safety Program, through Resolution No. 411: (i) recognizing the progress made by the General Directorate in implementation and (ii) instructing the Director General to continue efforts to strengthen and expand IICA cooperation services in this field.</p>	<p>In preparing its 2006-2007 Program Budget and in allocating resources for the 2005 Annual Work Plan, the Institute plans to strengthen, in accordance with the real availability of funds, the resources allocated for IICA cooperation with the Member States in the areas of Agricultural Health and Food Safety, as well as Trade and Agribusiness.</p> <p>Resolution implemented</p> <p>The General Directorate continued to implement the recommendations of the assessment.</p>	<p>Status: The availability of additional financing for IICA actions in this field depends on approval by the IABA of the 2006-2007 Special Budget, which the Administration will present to same.</p> <p>The Executive Committee, at its Twenty-fifth Regular Meeting, in Resolution 437, recommended that the IABA approve the Special Budget for 2006-2007.</p>

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<p>3.3 The Executive Committee, through Resolution No. 412 “Financing of Capacity Building for the Participation of the Member States in the WTO’s SPS Committee,” resolved that, in order to strengthen the participation of IICA’s Member States in the SPS Committee of the WTO: (i) the Director General should allocate funds in accordance with financial availability; (ii) the Director General should prepare a proposal for obtaining support from regional and international financial institutions, and (iii) the countries pledged to fully support IICA’s efforts to raise these funds.</p>	<p>Resolution is being implemented</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IICA allocated US\$97,673 of its resources in 2003 and US\$151,091 in 2004 and the United States contributed US\$395,727.87 in 2003 and US\$99,189.20 in 2004 to finance the participation of 25 Latin American and Caribbean countries in the meetings of the SPS Committee of the WTO. • In 2005, IICA expects to allocate up to US\$400,000 for AHFS from the 2004-2005 Special Budget. • An allotment of US\$500,000 was included for AHFS in the 2006-2007 Special Budget. 	<p>Actions Pending: Continue taking measures to obtain financial support from the IDB and other funding sources, in order to facilitate the participation of the member countries in the meetings of the WTO Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures.</p>
<p>4. Strengthening the finances of IICA</p> <p>4.1 The Executive Committee, through Resolution No. 408, urged the Member States to undertake initiatives to strengthen the Institute technically, administratively and financially, so that it has the means it needs to implement with its 2002-2006 Medium Term Plan.</p>	<p>Resolution pending</p>	<p>Actions pending: The Member States need to bring their quota payments up to date and make voluntary extra-quota contributions to finance specific, high-priority topics and in this way strengthen IICA’s finances. The Director General will present to the IABA a proposal on extra-quota contributions to finance high-priority topics.</p>

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<p>4.2 The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 417 “<i>Progress Report on the Collection of Quotas owed to the Institute and on Compliance with IABA Resolution 392,</i>” thanked all the Member States for their efforts to bring their quota obligations with the Institute up to date.</p>	<p>Resolution is being implemented Pursuant to Resolution No. 417, Appendix A, ten Member States were asked to comply with specific requests for payment so as to make progress in bringing their quotas obligations up to date. Of these, four moved from arrears status to regular status and six remained in arrears. Of these six, four have made payments to reduce their debt and two have not yet made any payments.</p>	<p>Actions pending: Pursuant to Resolution 417 of the Executive Committee, the Inter-American Board of Agriculture will be requested, at its Thirteenth Regular Meeting, to amend retroactively to 1 January 2004, the Measures for the Collection of Quota Contributions Owed to the Institute as set out in Resolution IICA/JIA/Res.392(XII-O/03), so as to facilitate application thereof. The analysis of this proposal has been included on the agenda of the next IABA meeting, to be held in Guayaquil, Ecuador.</p>
<p>5. Support for Administrative Management: 2003 Financial Statements of IICA and Report of the External Auditors</p> <p>5.1 The Executive Committee, through Resolution No. 415, approved the 2003 Financial Statements of IICA and the Report of the External Auditors, which attest to the proper management of the Institute’s resources during the aforementioned period.</p> <p>5.2 The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 416: (i) approved the Tenth Report of the Audit Review Committee (ARC), which endorses the contents of the Institute’s financial statements for 2004 and the report by the external auditors on those financial statements.</p>	<p>Resolution implemented. The Resolution was forwarded to the Directorate of Finance by memorandum SC/DG-849 dated 6 August, 2004.</p> <p>Resolution implemented. Resolution 416 was forwarded to the members of the ARC by means of letter SC/DG-867 dated 11 August, 2004.</p>	<p>Actions pending: None The IABA, at its Thirteenth Regular Meeting, will analyze IICA’s Financial Statements for 2003 and 2004.</p> <p>Actions pending: The IABA, at its Thirteenth Regular Meeting, will analyze the Tenth and Eleventh Reports of the Audit Review Committee (ARC).</p>

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<p>5.3 The Executive Committee, through Resolution No. 421, endorsed the proposal to establish a new section in the budget structure of the Regular Fund that will enable the Institute to earmark funds for replenishing assets and repairing buildings.</p> <p>The Executive Committee: (i) approved provisionally, <i>ad referendum</i> the IABA, the proposed amendment and entrusted the Director General with using this new structure of categories of activity in preparing the Institute’s 2006-2007 Program Budget and in preparing the corresponding annual budgets.</p>	<p>Resolution is being implemented. The new budget category for infrastructure and equipment renewal was included in the proposed Special Budget for 2006-2007¹ and will be included in the Annual Work Plan for 2006.</p> <p>The Financial Rules and Rules of Procedure of the General Directorate have been updated to include the new budget category in the Rules of Procedure of the Institute.</p>	<p>Recommend to the IABA that, at its Thirteenth Regular Meeting, it ratify the decision taken <i>ad referendum</i> by the EC in Resolution 421.</p> <p>A draft resolution calling for the ratification of Resolution 421 has been prepared, and will be submitted to the consideration of the IABA, at its Thirteenth Regular Meeting.</p>
<p>6. Modernization of human resources management at the Institute</p> <p>6.1 The Executive Committee, through Resolution No. 418: (i) adopted as a non-binding framework for the process to modernize human resources management at the Institute, the recommendations contained in document IICA/CE/Doc.447(04) “Toward an intelligent parity system” and (ii) entrusted the Director General with adopting the necessary measures to continue moving forward in modernizing human resources management at the Institute, in accordance with the availability of financial resources.</p>	<p>Resolution is being implemented</p> <p>The document in reference is being used by the administration as a guiding framework, both for the process to modernize human resources management at the Institute and for decision making in the area of personnel management.</p>	<p>Actions pending:</p> <p>At the Thirteenth Regular Meeting of the IABA, in Guayaquil, Ecuador, the Director General will present a report on progress in the modernization of IICA.</p>

¹ This new budget category has been included in the proposed Special Budget to be financed with resources from the Working Subfund of the Regular Fund.

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<p>6.2 The Executive Committee, through Resolution No. 419 “<i>Amendments to the Staff Rules and to the System for the Determination of Remuneration of IICA Personnel,</i>” approved the proposed amendments to the staff rules and to the system for determination of remuneration of Institute personnel.</p>	<p>Resolution implemented.</p> <p>The amendments approved by the Executive Committee have been included both in the Staff Rules and in the System for Determination of Remuneration of IICA Personnel. The new provisions are in force and are being applied in IICA personnel management.</p>	<p>Actions pending: None</p>
<p>7. Special Advisory Commission on Management Issues (SACMI)</p> <p>7.1 The Executive Committee, by means of Resolution No. 414, accepted the 2003 report submitted by the Special Advisory Commission on Management Issues to the Director General and thanked its members for their work to strengthen the Institute’s priority cooperation programs, move forward in modernizing human resources management at the Institute, and strengthen the finances of IICA.</p>	<p>Resolution implemented.</p> <p>The members of the SACMI were informed of the contents of this resolution by means of letters no. 850 and 854 sent by the Director General on 10 and 6 August 2004, respectively.</p>	<p>Actions pending: None</p>

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<p>8. Strengthening the ties between the General Directorate and the Institute's Governing Bodies</p> <p>8.1 Through Resolution No. 413 <i>“The 2004-2005 Ministerial Process in Preparation of the Third Ministerial Meeting, the Thirteenth Regular Meeting of the Inter-American Board of Agriculture (IABA) and the Fourth Summit of the Americas,”</i> the Executive Committee: (i) thanked and congratulated both the Government of Ecuador and the General Directorate of IICA for the progress made in preparing for the aforementioned Ministerial Meeting on Agriculture and Rural Life and the IABA meeting, and (ii) adopted the schedule established to facilitate coordination of the work of the Ministerial Delegates and their hemispheric forum (GRICA) and the support IICA will provide to these efforts.</p>	<p>Resolution is being implemented</p> <p>Organization of the Third Ministerial Meeting on Agriculture and Rural Life in the Americas is fully under way. IICA has been working in coordination with the Ministerial Delegate of Ecuador and the technical and logistic commissions set up by the government for organizing and holding the meeting.</p>	<p>Actions under way and pending:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The General Directorate, through the Office for Follow-up of the Summits Process, and the IICA Offices in the countries, has been supporting the Ministerial Delegates of IICA's 34 Member States that meet together as the GRICA in: (i) preparing the report on the implementation of the first biennial Hemispheric Agenda (2003-2005) for the Plan; (ii) preparing the second biennial Hemispheric Agenda (2006-2007), and (iii) preparing the ministerial proposal for the Fourth Summit of the Americas. (Mar del Plata, Argentina) 2. Carry on with the activities programmed to ensure the provision of logistic and support services for the meeting.

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<p>8.2 The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 420, accepted the progress report on the strengthening of mechanisms of internal communication for Institute management and requested that the Director General continue efforts to renew and modernize same.</p> <p>8.3 The Executive Committee, through Resolution No. 422, granted the title of emeritus to Alfonso Chirinos Almanza, Gonzalo Estefanell Barbato and Mario Infante Olano, as of 14 January 2004.</p> <p>8.4 The Executive Committee, through Resolutions No. 423 and 424, approved the Report on the Status of the Resolutions of the Twenty-third Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee (2003) and the Report on the Status of the Resolutions of the Twelfth Regular Meeting of the IABA.</p> <p>8.5 The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 425, agreed to hold its Twenty-fifth Regular Meeting in 2005 and thanked the Minister of Agriculture of Bahamas for the offer made, in principle, to host the meeting in that country. It also charged the Director General with sending to the Minister of Agriculture of Bahamas, by the end of August 2004, information on the additional costs that would be required for holding the event in Bahamas.</p>	<p>Resolution implemented</p> <p>Resolution implemented</p> <p>The granting of this title was communicated to the former staff members. They received their medals in ceremonies held in the country where they reside</p> <p>Resolution implemented</p> <p>Due to damages caused by Hurricanes Ivan, Frances and Jeanne, the Government of Bahamas withdrew its offer to host the Executive Committee meeting. This decision was reported to IICA's Representatives in the Member States by means of communication no. 1109 from the Director General dated 12 October 2004.</p>	<p>In 2005, the General Directorate has been consolidating the progress made in this area, to the extent that the availability of resources permits.</p> <p>Actions pending: None</p> <p>Actions pending: None</p> <p>Actions pending:</p> <p>To distribute the Report of Executive Committee meeting to the Thirteenth Regular Meeting of the IABA. It will be published in the four official languages of the Institute.</p>

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	<p>In January 2005 the Government of Brazil offered to host the Twenty-fifth Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee on 13-14 May, on the occasion of the International Fair AGRISHOW 2005 to be held in the city of Ribeirão Preto, São Paulo.</p> <p>Pursuant to the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Committee, the 12 Member States sitting on the 2005 EC (Argentina, Barbados, Belize, Costa Rica, Chile, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Mexico, Peru, Suriname, United States of America, and Uruguay) were consulted by correspondence regarding the proposal for a new venue for the meeting. Their answer was affirmative and they thanked the Government of Brazil for its offer.</p> <p>The Twenty-fifth Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee, held in the city of Ribeirão Preto, São Paulo, Brazil, on May 13-14, 2005, was a success.</p> <p>On that occasion, the Representatives of the Member States also learned of the Bio-energy program in operation in Brazil, and attended the International Fair AGRISHOW 2005.</p>	

TWENTY FIFTH REGULAR MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Status of the Resolutions

I. Overview

The Twenty-fifth Regular Meeting of the IICA Executive Committee was held on May 13-14, 2005, en Ribeirão Preto, Brazil. The Member States sitting on the 2005 Executive Committee were: Argentina, Barbados, Belize, Costa Rica, Chile, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Mexico, Peru, Suriname, United States of America and Uruguay. Representatives of Brazil, Canada, Ecuador, El Salvador, Haiti and the Kingdom of Spain, in its capacity as Associate State of the Institute, also attended.

Mr. Víctor Villalobos, Representative of Mexico, chaired the Executive Committee, and Mr. Rodolfo Coto Pacheco, Representative of Costa Rica, served as Rapporteur.

II. Progress made in complying with the resolutions adopted by the 2005 Executive Committee

RESOLUTION	PROGRESS	PENDING ACTIONS
OPERATIVE POINTS		
<p>1. Institutional Policy, Cooperation Services and Interinstitutional Relations</p> <p>1.1 The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 426 “Progress in the Implementation of the 2002-2006 Medium Term Plan,” recognized the progress made by the Director General and staff of the Institute in transforming and modernizing IICA, as well as the results of the cooperation provided to modernize agriculture and promote prosperity in the rural communities of the Americas.</p>	<p>Resolution implemented</p>	<p>None</p>

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<p>1.2 The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 427 approved the 2004 IICA Annual Report.</p> <p>1.3 The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 428 thanked the Member States for their offers to share, through horizontal cooperation coordinated by IICA, their experiences and best practices in the area of biotechnology and biosafety. Also, it thanked the General Directorate for its proposals for strengthening horizontal cooperation and other activities to advance the development of biotechnology and biosafety in the Americas and, renewed the request made by the IABA at its Twelfth Regular Meeting for the Member States to contribute additional resources to support IICA’s activities in the area of biotechnology and biosafety.</p> <p>1.4 The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 429 “Actions in the Area of Bio-energy”, (i) congratulated the Government of Brazil on the important results generated by its successful bio-fuel program, and the State of São Paulo, especially the region of Ribeirão Preto, on progress in this field; (ii) thanked the Government of Brazil for its offer to promote, in cooperation with IICA, horizontal cooperation actions with the countries committed to developing their agro-energy sector and, (iii) entrusted the General Directorate of IICA with the presentation of a draft resolution on horizontal cooperation in the area bio-fuels for the consideration of the Thirteenth Regular Meeting Inter-American Board of Agriculture (IABA), to be held in Guayaquil, Ecuador.</p>	<p>Resolution implemented</p> <p>Resolution is being implemented The Director General has delivered to the Directorate of the Technical Cooperation Secretariat, in document SC/DG-479, instructions for the preparation of the proposal.</p> <p>The document summarizing the proposal is being prepared and will be presented for consideration by the IABA at its Thirteenth Regular Meeting, in Guayaquil, Ecuador</p> <p>Resolution is being implemented</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Resolution was read out by the Rapporteur of the Executive Committee, Mr. Rodolfo Coto, in the presence of the Brazilian • The Director General conveyed the congratulatory remarks to the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock and Supply, Mr. Roberto Rodrigues. 	<p>None</p> <p>That the IABA, at its Thirteenth Regular Meeting, issue an opinion on the proposal on biotechnology and biosafety to be presented by the General Directorate.</p> <p>That the IABA, at its Thirteenth Regular Meeting, issue an opinion on the proposal on agro-energy to be presented by the General Directorate.</p>

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<p>1.5. The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 430 “Progress in Preparation of the Report - State of and Outlook for Agriculture and Rural Life in the Americas,” recognized the progress made by the Director General in preparing the report “State of and Outlook for Agriculture and Rural life in the Americas,” which is of great important to the governments of the region as an instrument for analyzing and formulating policies.</p> <p>1.6. The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 431 “Strengthening of IICA/CATIE Relations and Progress in Joint Efforts ”: (i) accepted the report on progress in strengthening the ties between IICA and CATIE and in executing joint activities and projects, (ii) the progress made by the Directors of IICA and CATIE, and the results obtained to date, and to encourage them to continue to strengthen the ties between their organizations and expand the coverage and subject</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A document that contains the bases for a hemispheric cooperation program in the area of agro-energy, and a Draft Resolution, have been prepared. Both will be presented for the consideration of the IABA at is Thirteenth Regular Meeting, in Guayaquil, Ecuador. <p>Resolution is being implemented</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The report State of and Outlook for Agriculture and Rural Life in the Americas has been prepared, and is currently being edited and translated into English. • An executive summary of the report will be published in Spanish and English, and presented to the IABA at its Thirteenth Regular Meeting. <p>Resolution is being implemented</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Director General of IICA, in document No. 423, dated May 24, 2005, forwarded the resolution in question to the Director General of CATIE. 	<p>That the IABA, at its Thirteenth Regular Meeting, take cognizance of the report in question and issue an opinion on its contents and subsequent use.</p> <p>That the Commission, in consultation with the Representatives of Argentina, Barbados, El Salvador, Mexico and Peru, each representing the region to which they belong, prepare the report, which shall be reviewed by both the SACMI and the IICA Executive Committee.</p>

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<p>matter of their joint projects; (iii) urged IICA, CATIE and the Government of Costa Rica, in collaboration with representatives of the other Member States (Argentina for the Southern Region, Barbados for the Caribbean Region, El Salvador for the Central Region, Peru for the Andean Region and Mexico for the Northern Region), to continue their efforts to address all pertinent legal, technical and administrative questions and propose an institutional arrangement supporting joint action between IICA and CATIE, and to ask the Director General of IICA to report on these efforts to the Special Advisory Committee on Management Issues, so that it may make the corresponding recommendations to the next Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee and, (iv) recommended to the IABA that it incorporate into the guidelines for the preparation of the IICA and CATIE annual reports a specific section on the ties between IICA and CATIE and on the projects and activities they carry out jointly.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Commission comprising IICA, CATIE and the Government of Costa Rica is conducting the analysis called for in said resolution. • At the Thirteenth Regular Meeting of the IABA, the Directors General of IICA and CATIE will deliver to the Representatives of the Member States of the Institute an updated report on efforts to strengthen relations and the execution of joint actions. • The Director General asked El Salvador, Peru, Argentina, Barbados and Mexico to designate the persons that will review progress made by the tri-partite commission. • The Director General issued instructions calling for the Annual Reports of the Institute to contain a section devoted to IICA/CATIE relations and progress in and results of joint actions. 	

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<p>2. Budgetary and Financial Matters</p> <p>2.1. The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 432 “2004 Financial Statements of the Institute and Report of the External Auditors,” approved the 2004 Financial Statements of the Institute and the Report of the External Auditors on said Financial Statements.</p> <p>2.2. The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 433 “Eleventh Report of the audit. Review Committee (ARC),” (i) approved the Eleventh Annual Report of the Audit Review Committee; (ii) instructed the Director General to implement the recommendations set forth in the Eleventh Annual Report of the ARC and, (iii) thanked the members of the ARC for their valuable efforts.</p>	<p>Resolution Implemented</p> <p>The Director General, in document SC/DG-483, dated June 8, 2005, officially sent the resolution approved by the Executive Committee to the Director of Finance.</p> <p>Also, the Director General thanked the firm of Deloitte & Touche for its diligent efforts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Director General, in document SC/DG-482, dated June 8, 2005, issued instructions to the Directorate of Finance to implement the recommendations from the ARC. • In document SC/DG-564, the Director General thanked the members of the ARC (Luis Carlos Gutierrez Jaime, Raymond G. Poland and Sharman Ottley) on behalf of the Executive Committee for their diligent efforts in preparing the report. 	<p>None</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the General Directorate follow through on the implementation of recommendations put forth in the Eleventh Report of the ARC.

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<p>2.3. The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 434 “Appointment of External Auditors for IICA and CATIE for the 2006-2007 Biennium,” appointed the firm of Deloitte and Touch as the External Auditors of the Institute and CATIE for the 2006-2007 biennium, a period that may be extended by the Director General for up to two years.</p> <p>2.4. The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 435 “Revised Measures for Collecting Quotas Owed to the Institute,” recommended that the IABA adopt, at its Thirteenth Regular Meeting, a resolution derogating the Appendix to Resolution IICA/JIA/Res. 392, entitled “Measures for Collecting Quotas Owed to the Institute,” and replacing it with the document entitled “Revised Measures for Collecting Quotas Owed to the Institute.”</p>	<p>Resolution Implemented</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Director General, in document SC/DG-513, dated June 13, 2005, instructed the Directorate of Administration and Finance to retain the firm of Deloitte & Touche. • The Finance Division, by note SC/DF-856, informed the External Audit Office of Deloitte & Touche of the Executive Committee’s decision to retain its services as auditors for IICA and CATIE for 2006-2007. The corresponding contract will be signed in the near future. <p>Resolution is being implemented</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A draft resolution has been prepared for consideration by the IABA. Its annex “Revised Measures for Collecting Quotas owed to the Institute,” includes the adjustments approved by the Executive Committee. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contract between IICA and Deloitte & Touche to be signed • Consideration and approval of the draft resolution and its annex by the Thirteenth Regular Meeting of the IABA, in Guayaquil, Ecuador.

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<p>2.5. The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 436 "Proposed 2006-2007 Program Budget," (i) approved the amount of US\$30,000,000 annually from the Regular Fund as the overall allocation of the 2006-2007 Program Budget of the Institute, financed with quota contributions from the Member States in the amount of US \$27,167,572 per year, as per the amounts indicated on the Quota Scale, and with the expected receipt of miscellaneous income in the amount of US\$2,832,428 per year; (ii) approved the use of the resources of the 2006 Program Budget in accordance with the allocations for each of the Chapters, line items and Strategic Areas detailed in document IICA/CE/Doc.465(05), "Proposed 2006-2007 Program Budget;" (iii) Instructed the Director General to submit to the consideration of the Executive Committee, at its Twenty-sixth Regular Meeting, a proposal for the detailed allocation of the funds approved for the 2007 Program Budget, consistent with the priorities set forth in the new Medium Term Plan of the Institute; (iv) authorized the Director General to make transfers between the Chapters of the Program Budget, provided that the total transfers neither increase nor reduce the</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The consideration of this proposal has been included on the agenda of the Thirteenth Regular Meeting of the IABA; its approval has been recommended by the Executive Committee. <p>Resolution is being implemented</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Director General, in document SC/DG-484, forwarded the resolution to the Directorate of Administration and Finance, instructing that it present the proposal to the consideration of the IABA at its Thirteenth Regular Meeting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consideration of the Proposed 2006-2007 Program Budget by the Thirteenth Regular Meeting of the IABA, in Guayaquil, Ecuador.

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<p>affected Chapters by more than 10%, and do not substantially affect the priorities approved and, (v) authorized the Director General to make the necessary adjustments in the allocation of resources approved in this Resolution, should the combined income for each of the fiscal years 2006-2007 fall below estimated levels for the biennium. The Director General shall inform the Executive Committee and the IABA of this situation.</p> <p>2.6. The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 437 “Proposed 2006-2007 Special Budget Financed with Resources from the General Subfund,” (i) recommended that the IABA approve the special budget for execution during the 2006-07 biennium, in the amount of US\$2,609,000, to be funded by any past-due quotas recovered; and (ii) instructed the Director General to adopt such measures as may be required to ensure that the execution of the special budget does not affect the normal execution of the Institute’s 2006-2007 Program Budget.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Proposed 2006-2007 Program Budget (main text and annex) is available to the Member States in English and Spanish on the IABA on-line system at: http://iica.int <p>Resolution is being implemented</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Director General, in memorandum SC/DG-485, dated June 8, 2005, sent the resolution to the Directorate of Administration and Finance and to the Director of Budget and Control. • The proposed special budget is available to the Member States in English and Spanish on the IABA on-line system at: http://iica.int. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consideration of the Special Budget by the Thirteenth Regular Meeting of the IABA, in Guayaquil, Ecuador.
<p>3. Institutional Management</p> <p>3.1. The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 438 “Report on the 2005 Meeting of the Special Advisory Commission on Management Issues and Extension of the Commission’s Term,” accepted the Report on the 2005 Meeting of the Special Advisory Commission on Management Issues (“SACMI”) and recommend that the IABA, at its Thirteenth Regular Meeting, extend</p>	<p>Resolution is being implemented</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Director General, in document SC/DG-504, dated June 10, 2005, informed the members of the SACMI that the Executive Committee had accepted their report and had proposed that their term be extended. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the IABA, at its Thirteenth Regular Meeting, consider the proposal to extend the term of the SACMI and take the corresponding decision.

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<p>the SACMI's term until the date of its Fourteen Regular Meeting</p> <p>4. IICA's Governing Bodies and the Ministerial Meeting in the Summit of the Americas Process</p> <p>4.1. The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 439 "2003-2005 Inter-American Awards in the Rural Sector," recommended that the Inter-American Board of Agriculture, at its Thirteenth Regular Meeting, bestow: a) the 2003-2005 Inter-American Agricultural Medal on Miguel Holle Osterdart; b) the 2003-2005 Inter-American Award for the Contribution of Women to Rural Development on Fresia Enriqueta del Carmen Zuniga Perez; c) the 2003-2005 Inter-American Agricultural Award for Young Professionals on Ximena Rocio Cadima Fuentes and d) The 2003-2005 Inter-American Award for Institutional Contributions to Agricultural and Rural Development on the Artificial Insemination Center of the Universidad Austral of Chile. It also recommended that the Inter-American Board of Agriculture, at its Thirteenth Regular Meeting, award the following honorable mentions; a) for the 2003-2005 Inter-American Agricultural Medal: Mr. Nelson Estrada Ramos; b) for the 2003-2005 Inter-American Award for the Contribution of Women to Rural Development: Mrs. Grace Cereceda Sangster de</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A draft resolution has been presented for consideration by the IABA at its Thirteenth Regular Meeting, calling for the term of the SACMI to be extended until the Fourteenth Regular Meeting in 2007 <p>Resolution is being implemented</p> <p>The Director General will report to the Thirteenth Regular Meeting of the IABA on the decisions adopted by the Executive Committee regarding the 2003-2005 Inter-American Awards in the Rural Sector.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The awards will be presented during the Thirteenth Regular Meeting of the IABA. Also, the honorable mentions will be presented to the Heads of Delegation from the respective Member States. •

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<p>4.4. The Executive Committee, by Resolution No. 442 “Date and Site of the Twenty-Sixth Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee,” agreed to hold the Twenty-sixth Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee at IICA Headquarters, in San Jose, Costa Rica, and instructed the Director General to issue the convocation to the Member States to participate in the Twenty-sixth Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee, in accordance with the rules currently in effect.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Government of Ecuador and IICA are busily handling all technical, administrative, logistical and protocolary aspects of the meeting. <p>Resolution implemented If no Member States offers to host the meeting, the Twenty-sixth Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee will be held at IICA Headquarters, in San Jose, Costa Rica.</p>	<p>Pending</p>