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RESOLUTION No. 526

AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATIONS FOR CONFERRING INTER-AMERICAN AWARDS IN THE RURAL SECTOR

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, at its Thirtieth Regular Meeting,

CONSIDERING,

That the Committee, in its Preparatory Session, accepted a proposal to expand from three to four Member States the membership in the Awards Selection Commission formed under Article 10.1 of the Regulations for Conferring the Inter-American Awards in the Rural Sector;

That expanding the membership in the Commission will allow for more equitable geographic representation; and

That Article 16.3 of the Regulations for Conferring Inter-American Awards authorizes the Executive Committee to amend or altogether revoke those Regulations,

RESOLVES:

To amend the last sentence of the chapeau and following Sections a, d, and i of Article 10.1 of the Regulations for Conferring the Inter-American Awards to state as follows:

The Commission shall consist of four Member States which shall be appointed and serve as further specified below:

- a. The four members of the Commission shall be elected by the Executive Committee during the preparatory session of its Regular Meeting in the first year of the biennium.
- d. The first member shall be elected by and from among the Member States of the group comprising the six countries that are the major contributors to the Regular Fund of the Institute; the second and third members shall be elected by and from among the Member States of the group comprising the remaining twenty-eight Member States of the Institute; and the fourth member shall be elected by the thirty-four Member States of the Institute and from among the Member States not elected by the first two groups

i. The Commission may meet with a quorum of at least three members and take decisions by a vote of a majority of its members. The Commission may adopt additional rules of procedure for its meetings and electing its officers, provided those rules of procedure are consistent with these Regulations and other pertinent norms of the Institute.