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TWELFTH ITEM ON THE AGENDA

Report of the Director-General

Sixth Supplementary Report: Appointment of a Deputy Director-General

- 1. In accordance with the Staff Regulations, appointments at the Deputy Director-General level are made by the Director-General after consultation with the Officers of the Governing Body. Upon entering their duties, a Deputy Director-General shall make and sign the prescribed declaration of loyalty before the Governing Body during a public session.
- **2.** After consultation with the Officers of the Governing Body, the Director-General has decided to appoint Mr Gilbert Fossoun Houngbo as Deputy Director-General for Field Operations and Partnerships, with effect from 1 March 2013.
- **3.** A brief statement concerning the qualifications and previous activities of Mr Houngbo is given overleaf.

Draft decision

4. The Governing Body notes this appointment made by the Director-General, after having duly consulted the Officers of the Governing Body, and invites Mr Houngbo to make and sign the prescribed declaration of loyalty as provided under article 1.4(b) of the ILO Staff Regulations.

Mr Gilbert Fossoun Houngbo

Appointed Deputy Director-General for Field Operations and Partnerships at the DDG level, with effect from 1 March 2013.

Mr Houngbo holds a master's degree in Business Management (1983) from the University of Lomé in Togo and a *Diplôme d'Etudes Supérieures Spécialisées* (DESS) in Specialized Accounting (1986) from the Université du Quebec à Trois-Rivières in Canada. He is a Certified Professional Accountant and a member of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants

Mr Houngbo's career in international development and in the private and governmental sectors spans over 27 years. He was Prime Minister of Togo from September 2008 to July 2012. During his tenure, his Government substantially improved the livelihoods of the Togolese people, namely in the areas of law, civil liberties, social conditions and equality, economic reform, good governance and inclusive economic growth.

He worked for the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) from 1996 to 2008, holding several key positions, including Comptroller, Director of Finance, Chief of Staff, Assistant Secretary-General, Assistant Administrator, and finally Director of UNDP Africa from 2006 to 2008.

Prior to joining the UNDP, Mr Houngbo worked for PricewaterhouseCoopers from 1986 to 1996 in their Audit and Financial Services Department.