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XXV/20 – Membership of the Financial and Administration Committee (FAC)

1. This document has been prepared by the IAI Directorate.

Background

2. The Conference of the Parties, at its 25th meeting (Bogota, 2017), adopted Decision XXV/20: *Membership of the Financial and Administration Committee (FAC)* which states:

The CoP directed the Directorate to remind Member Countries on the need for more members on the Financial and Administration Committee (FAC).

3. The Conference of the Parties, at its 18th meeting (Asuncion, 2011), adopted Decision XVIII/11 which states:

The Cop requested that countries willing to participate in the Financial and Administrative Committee (FAC) contact the EC chair. It is desirable that members have experience with financial and budgetary issues. The cost of participation of members in FAC meetings is at the expense of the member's country¹.

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¹ See: Charter: Financial and Administrative Committee (FAC), information document no. IAI/COP/26/Info.8: http://www.iai.int/wp-content/uploads/info8-cop26-e.pdf

4. The IAI Directorate notes that the Charter of the FAC states:

The Financial and Administrative Ad Hoc Committee (FAC) is charged with acting on behalf of the Executive Council in matters related to planning, preparation and implementation of IAI financial, administrative and project management issues.

5. Currently, membership in the FAC includes the United States of America. The role and responsibilities of the FAC are described in the FAC Charter².

Implementation of Decisions XXV/20 and XVIII/11

- In support of Decisions XXV/20 and XVIII/11, the IAI Directorate informed Parties on the need for greater representation in the FAC through notification no. 2018/002, *Invitation* to Parties to submit nominations for representatives to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Parties were invited to submit nominations no later than 15 April 2018.
- 7. Following the publication of notification no. 2018/002, two Parties manifested interest in joining the FAC.
- 8. The IAI Directorate has also held informal discussions with 2 Parties regarding the need for increased membership in the FAC.
- 9. The IAI Directorate is hopeful that Parties will submit nominations to the FAC.

Recommendation

10. The Conference of the Parties is invited to take note of this document. The Conference of the Parties may wish to consider nominating members with prior knowledge of and experience with the work of international organizations.

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² Ibid