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**Judgment No. 2867 of the Administrative Tribunal of the International Labour
Organization upon a complaint filed against the International
Fund for Agricultural Development
(Request for Advisory Opinion)**

Extension of time-limits for the submission of written comments

THE HAGUE, 28 January 2011. The President of the International Court of Justice, Judge Hisashi Owada, has extended the time-limits for the submission of written comments in the proceedings on the request for advisory opinion made by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) in respect of Judgment No. 2867 of the Administrative Tribunal of the International Labour Organization (hereinafter the “Tribunal”).

By an Order dated 24 January 2011, the President of the Court has extended to 11 March 2011: the time-limit within which States and organizations having presented written statements may submit, in accordance with Article 66, paragraph 4, of the Statute, written comments on the other written statements; and the time-limit within which any comments by the complainant in the proceedings against the Fund before the Tribunal may be presented to the Court.

The time-limits have been extended in response to a request to that effect made by the General Counsel of IFAD in a letter dated 21 January 2011 and received in the Registry on the same day. They had originally been fixed by the Court at 31 January 2011 in an Order dated 29 April 2010.

In his Order dated 24 January 2011, the President of the Court noted that the General Counsel of IFAD on 19 October 2010 submitted a written statement of the Fund and on 26 October 2010 a statement setting forth the views of the complainant. The President further noted that on 28 October 2010 the Ambassador of the Plurinational State of Bolivia to the Kingdom of the Netherlands submitted a written statement of the Government of Bolivia. These statements were submitted within the time-limits fixed for that purpose by the Court.

The subsequent procedure has been reserved for further decision.

History of the proceedings and general information on advisory proceedings

The history of these proceedings, together with general information on advisory proceedings, is set out in Press Release No. 2010/14 dated 11 May 2010.

The full text of the Order of the President of the Court will be available shortly on the Court's website: www.icj-cij.org. The written statements remain confidential at this stage in the proceedings.

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