



Executive Council

**Fourth Meeting—Paris
May 16-17, 2003**

Agenda Item: 5.c. Challenge Programs—Regular Process

Background:

1. Based on a recommendation from iSC, ExCo endorsed the pre-proposal “Improving Livelihoods and Natural Resources Management in sub-Saharan Africa: Securing the Future for Africa's Children” for full proposal development. A status report on the preparation of the full proposal will be presented.
2. As part of the regular CP process, the iSC also identified four other pre-proposals as “promising” but “not quite ready for full proposal development.” During a virtual discussion earlier this year, ExCo was unable to agree on whether any of these pre-proposals should be revised and re-submitted (as pre-proposals) for further consideration by the CGIAR. It was agreed that further discussion would take place at ExCo4 to determine next steps.

Supporting Document(s):

1. Summary of ExCo Discussions on CP Pre-proposals “semi-endorsed” by iSC

Purpose of this Communication

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Decision— Next steps for “semi-endorsed” CP pre -proposals
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Outcome

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