

Annex  
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## **Minister of Finance Office of the Minister**

**No.: 381**

**Date: 27 April 2022**

To: Mr Luis Jiménez-McInnis, Secretary of the International Fund for Agricultural Development, Rome, Italy

Salutations,

Subject: Nomination of Dr. Khaled Mahdi to the Post of President of the Fund

With reference to your letter dated 30 March 2022 concerning the upcoming elections for the post of President of the International Fund for Agricultural Development, pursuant to Article 6.8 (a) of the Agreement Establishing the International Fund for Agricultural Development, and in my capacity as IFAD Governor for the State of Kuwait, I am pleased to inform you of the decision of the Government of the State of Kuwait to submit the nomination of Dr. Khaled Mahdi for the post of President of the Fund.

Dr. Mahdi is currently serving as Secretary-General of the Supreme Council for Planning and Development and National Director of the Country Programme Action Plan with the United Nations Development Programme in Kuwait since 2016. He is a member of the Supreme Council of Education and a board member of the Public Authority for Industries, the Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research, the Public Authority for Housing Welfare, the National Fund for Small and Medium Enterprise Development, the Public Authority for Applied Education and Training, and the Arab Planning Institutes. Dr. Mahdi also leads national efforts to implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Given his track record, we believe that Dr. Mahdi is fully qualified to head the Fund and support its core functions of achieving agricultural development and combating rural poverty around the world. Also, please find attached Dr. Mahdi's curriculum vitae and the answers to the questions in support of his nomination.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration,

(Signed)

Abdulwahab Mohammed Al-Rushaid  
Minister of Finance and Minister of State for Economic Affairs and Investments