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Relations between the Assembly and the United Nations organisations specialising in the areas of food, agriculture and rural development

Parliamentary Assembly

1. The Assembly recognises that access to adequate supplies of food and water is fundamental to human existence, health and happiness.
2. It is concerned that the over-exploitation of the world's renewable and natural resources by a rapidly growing world population may severely threaten food security and result in grave civil strife and wars. It is particularly concerned about the situation of the poorest populations.
3. The Assembly is satisfied with its long-standing close relations with the United Nations specialised agencies in this field, FAO (Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations), WFP (World Food Programme) and IFAD (International Fund for Agricultural Development), and wishes to maintain these in the future in order to be informed of any major problems with regard to the world food and agricultural situation.
4. Consequently, it instructs its Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development, through its Sub-Committee on World Food Problems, to conduct regular enquiries into problems in this area and to suggest to governments the necessary policy reforms to improve the situation.

1. See [Doc. 7350](#), report of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development, rapporteur: Mrs Anttila. Text adopted by the Standing Committee, acting on behalf of the Assembly, on 9 November 1995.

