

INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND

**Proposed Amendment on the Reform of the IMF Executive Board and  
Fourteenth General Review of Quotas—Status of Acceptances and Consents**

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1. This paper reviews progress toward implementation of the 2010 Governance and Quota Reforms. It updates the status of consents to the proposed quota increases under the 14th General Review of Quotas and of acceptances of the Proposed Seventh Amendment on the Reform of the Executive Board (“Board Reform Amendment” or “Seventh Amendment”) as set out in the Board of Governors Resolution No. 66-2.
2. For the proposed quota increases under the 14th General Review of Quotas to become effective, members having not less than 70 percent of the total of quotas on November 5, 2010 must consent to the increases in their quotas and the proposed Board Reform Amendment must have entered into force.<sup>1</sup> The proposed Board Reform Amendment enters into force once the Fund certifies that three-fifths of the members (i.e., currently 113 members) representing 85 percent of the total voting power have accepted the proposed amendment.
3. As of June 12, 2012, 107 members having 66.84 percent of quotas as of November 5, 2010 had consented to their proposed quota increases under the 14<sup>th</sup> General Review of Quotas. As of the same date, 80 members having 55.06 percent of the total voting power had accepted the proposed Board Reform Amendment (Tables 1–3).
4. The Board discussed the state of play on the 2010 Governance and Quota Reforms on March 12, 2012.<sup>2</sup> In the quarter since then, an additional 18 members have consented to their proposed quota increases and a further 14 members have accepted the proposed Board Reform Amendment. Overall, however, the membership is only at about two-thirds of the way toward meeting the voting power threshold for acceptance of the Seventh Amendment (see Chart). Thirty-five members that have consented to the quota increase have not yet accepted the Board Reform Amendment; eight members that have accepted the Board

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<sup>1</sup> The third condition set out in Resolution No. 66-2 has been met with the entry into force on March 3, 2011 of the Voice and Participation Amendment (Sixth Amendment) of the Fund's Articles of Agreement, approved under Board of Governors Resolution No. 63-2.

<sup>2</sup> See *Proposed Amendment to the Articles of Agreement on the Reform of the IMF Executive Board and Fourteenth General Review of Quotas—Status of Acceptances and Consents*, 3/14/2012).

Reform Amendment are still to consent to the quota increase; and 75 members have not yet provided a valid acceptance or consent. Time is running out. With only four months remaining on the timeline suggested by the Board of Governors, a strong effort is needed to make the 2010 Governance and Quota Reforms effective no later than the 2012 IMF/World Bank Annual Meetings in October, a timeline reaffirmed by the IMFC in its April 21 *Communiqué*.

5. Against this background, staff and management continue to work proactively with country authorities to spur the process along. Several initiatives are underway: management and Area Department Directors are committed to raise the issue in their meetings with authorities, as appropriate; the Secretary's Department is stepping up its outreach to Area Departments for follow up in the field with bi-weekly updates; the Board will have an opportunity to discuss progress toward implementation of the reform package on a monthly, rather than quarterly, basis; and follow-up letters from the IMFC Chair and the Managing Director will be sent to Governors in the run up to the Annual Meetings. Staff is also working closely with Executive Directors on an ongoing basis to help secure acceptances and consents as a matter of urgency. The next update on the status of acceptances and consents will be issued to the Board in July.

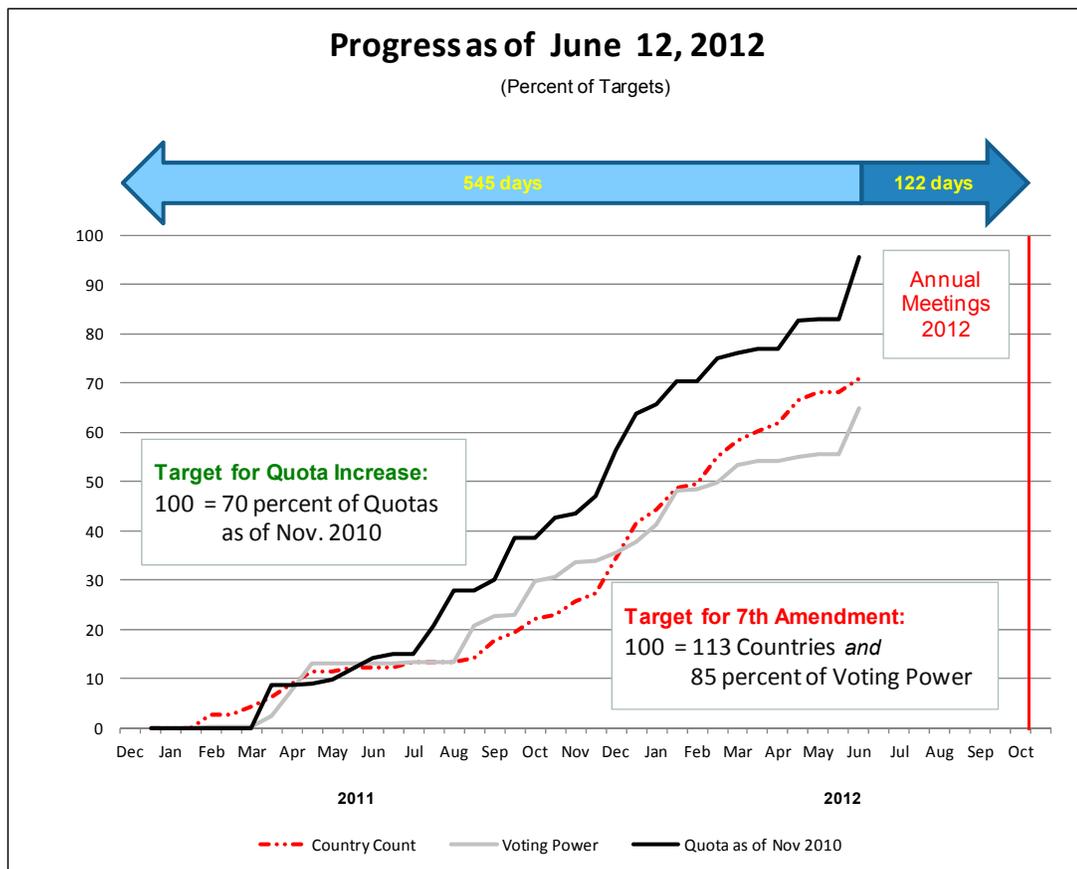


Table 1. Consents to Quota Increases and Status of Acceptances of the Proposed Board Reform Amendment

June 12, 2012

Status	Board Reform Amendment	
	Number of Members	Percent of Voting Power
Accepted	80	55.06
Incomplete communication received	10	1.50
No communication received	98	43.43
Total	188	100.00
Memorandum items:		
Total required for effectiveness	113	85.00
Additional needed for effectiveness	33	29.94
Status	Consents to Quota Increases	
	Number of Members	Percent of Nov. 5, 2010 quota
Consent received	107	66.84
No communication received	81	33.16
Memorandum items:		
Total required		70.00
Additional required		3.16

Information on consents and acceptances is also available at:  
<http://www.imf.org/external/np/sec/misc/consents.htm>.

Table 2. Members that Have Accepted the Proposed Board Reform Amendment

June 12, 2012

Acceptance of Proposed Amendment					
Member	Percent of Voting Power	Member	Percent of Voting Power	Member	Percent of Voting Power
Angola	0.14	Guyana	0.07	Philippines	0.43
Australia	1.31	Haiti	0.06	Poland	0.70
Austria	0.87	Honduras	0.08	Portugal	0.44
Bahamas, The	0.08	Iceland	0.08	Samoa	0.03
Bangladesh	0.24	India	2.34	São Tomé and Príncipe	0.03
Belarus	0.18	Ireland	0.53	Seychelles	0.03
Belgium	1.86	Italy	3.16	Sierra Leone	0.07
Belize	0.04	Jamaica	0.14	Singapore	0.59
Benin	0.05	Japan	6.23	Slovenia	0.14
Bhutan	0.03	Kenya	0.14	Spain	1.63
Brazil	1.72	Korea	1.37	Sri Lanka	0.19
Brunei Darussalam	0.11	Lao PDR	0.05	St. Vincent and the Gr	0.03
Burkina Faso	0.05	Lesotho	0.04	Suriname	0.07
Cambodia	0.06	Malaysia	0.73	Swaziland	0.05
Cameroon	0.10	Maldives	0.03	Sweden	0.98
Central African Republic	0.05	Malta	0.07	Tonga	0.03
China	3.81	Mauritius	0.07	Trinidad and Tobago	0.16
Comoros	0.03	Mexico	1.47	Turkey	0.61
Croatia	0.17	Montenegro	0.04	United Kingdom	4.29
Cyprus	0.09	Morocco	0.26	Vietnam	0.21
Denmark	0.78	Myanmar	0.13		
Dominica	0.03	Namibia	0.08		
Dominican Republic	0.12	Nepal	0.06		
El Salvador	0.10	Netherlands	2.08		
Finland	0.53	Nicaragua	0.08		
France	4.29	Norway	0.78		
Gabon	0.09	Pakistan	0.44		
Germany	5.81	Panama	0.11		
Greece	0.47	Papua New Guinea	0.08		
Guinea-Bissau	0.03	Peru	0.28		
	<b>Total:</b>		<b>80</b>		<b>55.06</b>

Table 3. Members that Have Consented to Their Quota Increase

June 12, 2012

Consent to Quota Increase					
Member	Percent of Nov. 5, 2010 Quota	Member	Percent of Nov. 5, 2010 Quota	Member	Percent of Nov. 5, 2010 Quota
Algeria	0.58	Honduras	0.06	Romania	0.47
Angola	0.13	Iceland	0.05	Russia	2.73
Antigua and Barbuda	0.01	India	1.91	Saudi Arabia	3.21
Australia	1.49	Indonesia	0.96	Serbia	0.22
Bahamas, The	0.06	Iran	0.69	Seychelles	0.00
Bangladesh	0.25	Ireland	0.39	Sierra Leone	0.05
Barbados	0.03	Italy	3.24	Singapore	0.40
Belarus	0.18	Jamaica	0.13	Slovenia	0.11
Belgium	2.12	Japan	6.12	South Africa	0.86
Belize	0.01	Kenya	0.12	Spain	1.40
Benin	0.03	Korea	1.35	Sri Lanka	0.19
Bhutan	0.00	Lao PDR	0.02	St. Vincent and the Gr	0.00
Botswana	0.03	Latvia	0.06	Suriname	0.04
Brazil	1.40	Lesotho	0.02	Swaziland	0.02
Brunei Darussalam	0.10	Liberia	0.06	Sweden	1.10
Burkina Faso	0.03	Libya	0.52	Tanzania	0.09
Burundi	0.04	Luxembourg	0.13	Thailand	0.50
Cambodia	0.04	Malawi	0.03	Tonga	0.00
Cameroon	0.09	Malaysia	0.68	Trinidad and Tobago	0.15
Chad	0.03	Maldives	0.00	Turkey	0.55
China	3.72	Malta	0.05	Uganda	0.08
Colombia	0.36	Mauritius	0.05	United Kingdom	4.94
Comoros	0.00	Mexico	1.45	Uruguay	0.14
Côte d'Ivoire	0.15	Moldova	0.06	Uzbekistan	0.13
Croatia	0.17	Mozambique	0.05	Vietnam	0.15
Denmark	0.76	Myanmar	0.12	Zambia	0.22
Djibouti	0.01	Namibia	0.06	Zimbabwe	0.16
Dominica	0.00	Nepal	0.03		
Dominican Republic	0.10	Netherlands	2.37		
El Salvador	0.08	Nicaragua	0.06		
Equatorial Guinea	0.01	Nigeria	0.81		
Ethiopia	0.06	Norway	0.77		
Finland	0.58	Pakistan	0.48		
France	4.94	Panama	0.10		
Gabon	0.07	Papua New Guinea	0.06		
Gambia, The	0.01	Paraguay	0.05		
Germany	5.98	Peru	0.29		
Greece	0.38	Philippines	0.40		
Guyana	0.04	Poland	0.63		
Haiti	0.04	Portugal	0.40		
<b>Total:</b>		<b>107</b>	<b>66.84</b>		