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ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Agenda item 1



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1. Adoption of the agenda. The Executive Director has prepared and circulated the annotated provisional agenda (WFP/EB.1/98/1) which is based on the provisional programme of work of the Executive Board for 1998, approved at the Third Regular Session of 1997 (WFP/EB.3/97/10). The Executive Board may amend the provisional annotated agenda by deleting, adding or modifying any item.

The Board may wish to adopt its agenda with any amendments it deems desirable.

2. Election of the Bureau of the Executive Board and appointment of the Rapporteur. In accordance with the rules of procedure and methods of work adopted by the Board in 1996, the Executive Board shall elect, among its representatives, its Bureau, consisting of five members, one from each WFP electoral list A to E. One of those shall be the President of the Executive Board and another the Vice-President. The other three members shall be representatives of their respective electoral lists.

The Board, in keeping with the established methods of work, may also wish to appoint from among its members one Rapporteur for its First Regular Session.

3. *Policy issues: Progress report on WFP's implementation of the World Food Summit Plan of Action*. At its Third Regular Session of 1997, the Executive Board reviewed the measures and indicators proposed by the Secretariat as the basis for its report to the FAO Committee on World Food Security (CFS) on follow-up to the World Food Summit Plan of Action in 1997. The Board agreed that the format suggested was appropriate, and that the Secretariat's report would be submitted to the CFS by the end of January 1998.

In accordance with decision 1997/EB.3/3, the Board will have before it, for information, the report submitted to the CFS.

4. Resource and financial matters

- a) Procedures for the selection and appointment of the External Auditor

 The Executive Board will have before it, for consideration and approval, a proposal on procedures for the selection of the External Auditor, as of the year 2001.
- b) Revision of the annex to the new Financial Regulations revised wording of the audit opinion of the External Auditor
 - The Board will have before it, for consideration and approval, a paper on a proposed change to the wording of the audit opinion in the Annex to the Financial Regulations.
- 5. **Evaluation reports.** The following evaluation documents submitted under this item are for the Executive Board's consideration. The Board is requested to take note of the reports and endorse the Secretariat's plan to integrate the recommendations and lessons learned in the future work of WFP:
 - Burkina Faso 3326.01 Rural development
 - Food assistance and natural resources
 - WFP assistance to indigenous communities in Latin America

Operational matters

6. *Country Programmes*. The Executive Board will have before it, for consideration and approval, the Country Programme for Guatemala.



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7. *Country Strategy Outlines*. The Executive Board's views are invited on the Country Strategy Outline for the Dominican Republic.

- 8. **Protracted refugee and displaced person projects for Executive Board approval.** The Executive Board will have before it, for approval, the following protracted refugee and displaced person projects which exceed the Executive Director's delegated authority:
 - Angola 5602.02 Food assistance to displaced and war-affected persons
 - Iran 5950.00 Food assistance and support for the repatriation of Iraqi and Afghan refugees in Iran
 - Uganda 5623.01 Assistance to Sudanese refugees in Uganda
- 9. Reports of the Executive Director on operational matters: Progress reports on approved projects. The Executive Board will have before it, for consideration, the following progress reports on projects which have been in operation for two years or longer:
 - Benin 5215.00 Multi-purpose rural development and support to food security
 - Benin 5208.00 School canteens and assistance to education sector
 - Chad 3499.01 Assistance for the development of education and training
 - Kenya 2669.01 Arid lands food for work
 - Senegal 3867.01 Community public works and sanitation programme
- 10. *Report on emergency assistance*. Under this item, the Secretariat will provide an oral presentation on current emergency assistance, including that to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.
- 11. Summary of the work of the Third Regular Session of 1997 of the Executive Board. In accordance with the Executive Board's decision at its Second Regular Session of 1996 on its methods of work, the summary of the work of the Third Regular Session of 1997 will be submitted for endorsement.
- 12. *Other business*. Representatives and the Executive Director may wish to raise further matters of interest to the Executive Board.
- 13. *Verification of the adopted decisions and recommendations.* The Executive Board will have before it a draft document containing all decisions and/or recommendations taken at its current session, for verification of their accuracy.

