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## EMERGENCY OPERATIONS APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF FAO (1 JULY–31 DECEMBER 2010)

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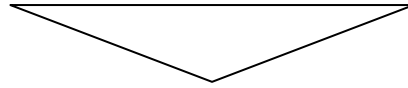
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## DRAFT DECISION\*



The Board takes note of “Emergency Operations Approved by the Executive Director or by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 July–31 December 2010)” (WFP/EB.1/2011/10).

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\* This is a draft decision. For the final decision adopted by the Board, please refer to the Decisions and Recommendations document issued at the end of the session.

1. At its Third Regular Session of 2001, the Board asked to be regularly informed about emergency operations (EMOPs) approved jointly by the Executive Director (ED) and the Director-General (DG) of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) or under the delegated authority of the Executive Director. Since the Second Regular Session of 2002 this information has been provided twice a year.
2. This report covers EMOPs approved between 1 July and 31 December 2010, as shown in the attached tables. Table A lists projects with a food value of more than US\$3.0 million approved jointly by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO. Table B lists projects with a food value of less than US\$3.0 million approved by the Deputy Executive Director (DED) and Chief Operating Officer (COO) under the delegated authority of the Executive Director. Table C lists EMOPs with an individual value of US\$500,000 or less approved by Regional Directors or country directors under the authority delegated to them by the Executive Director.
3. During the period under review, 24 EMOPs were approved: 7 by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO, 6 under the delegated authority of the Deputy Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, and 11 by Regional Directors or country directors (CDs). These operations provide food assistance to 24.5 million people at a food cost of US\$813.0 million. The total costs to WFP were US\$1.7 billion.

## **EMOPs APPROVED JOINTLY BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF FAO**

4. Kyrgyzstan EMOP 200161 (July 2010–June 2011) is a response to the food needs of the conflict-affected populations in Osh and Jalal-Abad. The EMOP assists 560,000 beneficiaries through general and targeted food distributions at a cost of US\$23.1 million.
5. Niger EMOP 200170 (August 2010–July 2011) is a response to severe drought affecting half of the population. The operation focuses on: i) nutritional activities for children under 5 and pregnant and lactating women; and ii) food assistance for severely food-insecure populations. The project targets 7.9 million beneficiaries at a cost of US\$279.4 million.
6. Pakistan EMOP 200177 (August 2010–July 2011) responds to the floods in the Indus valley that started in July 2010. The operation targets 7.3 million vulnerable people affected by the flooding with emergency food assistance at a cost of US\$596.8 million. A smaller EMOP targeting 479,500 people and costing US\$3.7 million that was approved as soon as the floods began under the delegated authority of the Deputy Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer was incorporated into EMOP 200177, which was approved by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO.
7. Yemen EMOP 200039 (August 2010–July 2011) provides food assistance for 315,000 internally displaced people (IDPs), returnees and people affected by conflict in northern Yemen at a cost to WFP of US\$47.9 million.
8. Chad EMOP 200060 (January 2011–December 2011) provides food assistance for 869,000 Sudanese refugees, IDPs and members of host populations in the eastern regions at a cost of US\$133 million.

9. Sudan EMOP 200151 (January 2011–December 2011) ensures humanitarian assistance for 6.8 million people in areas affected by conflict. The activities include assistance to meet the immediate food needs of vulnerable populations through general food rations, food-based nutrition programmes for malnourished children and pregnant and lactating women, and targeted food-for-assets activities to improve access to food and offset seasonal hunger in vulnerable areas. The cost of the operation is US\$628.2 million.
10. Democratic Republic of the Congo EMOP 200186 (January 2011–December 2011) assists IDPs, returnees, refugees, repatriating refugees and other vulnerable groups in host communities in Bas and Haut-Uélé districts. The operation will support 377,000 people at a total cost of US\$25.0 million.

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### **EMOPs APPROVED UNDER THE DELEGATED AUTHORITY OF THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER<sup>1</sup>**

11. Burkina Faso EMOP 200196 (October 2010–January 2011) provides food assistance for people severely affected by floods in July and August 2010. The operation targets 77,000 beneficiaries at a cost to WFP of US\$2.8 million.
12. Guinea EMOP 200216 (October 2010–December 2010) supported preparedness activities in view of political instability and deteriorating food security. The operation cost US\$94,000.
13. Asia Regional EMOP 200205 (October 2010–February 2011) supports preparedness simulations by the regional bureau in three locations at high risk of earthquakes: Jakarta, Kathmandu and Manila. The cost to WFP is US\$114,000.
14. Philippines EMOP 200206 (November 2010–December 2010) responds to the Government's request for WFP assistance to increase its capacity to respond to natural disasters, particularly disaster risk-reduction. The cost to WFP is US\$200,000.
15. Côte d'Ivoire EMOP 200224 (December 2010–February 2011) is intended to reinforce WFP's response capacity following the election crisis through targeted emergency preparedness measures. The cost to WFP is US\$199,000.
16. Liberia EMOP 200227 (January 2011–March 2011) aims to augment the capacity of the country office and the Saclepea sub-offices to respond promptly to an influx of refugees from Côte d'Ivoire. The cost to WFP is US\$198,000.

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### **EMOPs APPROVED UNDER THE DELEGATED AUTHORITY OF REGIONAL DIRECTORS OR COUNTRY DIRECTORS<sup>2</sup>**

17. Burkina Faso EMOP 200178 (August 2010–November 2010), which responded to flooding in rural areas, assisted 65,000 people at a cost to WFP of US\$483,000; it was followed by EMOP 200196 described above.
18. Benin EMOP 200210 (October 2010–November 2010) assisted 50,000 people affected by flooding with family food rations at a cost of US\$497,000.

<sup>1</sup> EMOPs detailed in paragraphs 12–16 are special preparedness activities approved through the Immediate Response Account (IRA) mechanism.

<sup>2</sup> These EMOPs were approved under the IRA.

19. The Gambia EMOP 200213 (November 2010–January 2011) provided food assistance for 13,635 displaced people and rice farmers affected by floods at a cost to WFP of US\$496,000.
20. Guinea EMOP 200214 (November 2010–February 2011) provides emergency food assistance for 41,000 beneficiaries displaced by flooding. The operation includes assistance for 4,000 children under 5 suffering from moderate acute malnutrition at a cost to WFP of US\$458,000,
21. Indonesia EMOP 200218 (November 2010–January 2011) provides food assistance for 11,000 people affected by the Mentawai tsunami in West Sumatra at a cost to WFP of US\$496,000.
22. Nicaragua EMOP 200204 (October 2010–January 2011) meets the needs of 15,000 people suffering from food scarcity following floods and heavy rains caused by La Niña through emergency food assistance at a cost of US\$499,000.
23. Togo EMOP 200171 (July 2010–October 2010) provided emergency assistance for Ghanaian refugees in the Savannah region who arrived in late April following violence in Ghana. The operation targeted 9,500 beneficiaries at a cost of US\$431,000.
24. Togo EMOP 200220 (December 2010–February 2011) meets the needs of farmers who have lost stock and agricultural assets in floods in Maritime region; many have also lost their homes and are either living in IDP centres or with host families. The operation provides food assistance for 50,000 people at a cost of US\$472,000.
25. Colombia EMOP 200221 (November 2010–February 2011) addresses the needs of 31,000 people affected by flooding and landslides at a cost of US\$500,000.
26. Côte d'Ivoire EMOP 200226 (December 2010–February 2011) addresses the immediate food needs of 18,000 people affected by violence following the recent electoral stalemate. The operation is valued at US\$499,000.
27. Liberia EMOP 200227 (December 2010–February 2011) addresses the immediate food needs of 15,000 refugees from Côte d'Ivoire and vulnerable members of the host population. The operation is valued at US\$500,000.

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## TREND ANALYSIS

28. Emergency operations valued at US\$2.4 billion were approved between January and December 2010, an increase of 47 percent over 2009, when EMOPs valued at US\$1.7 billion were approved. Most of the increase for 2010 resulted from large EMOPs in response to the crises in Haiti, Pakistan and Niger.

**EMOPS APPROVED DURING THE PERIOD 1 JULY–31 DECEMBER 2010**

Approving authority	Project number	Regional Bureau	Recipient country	Project title	Food cost (US\$)*	Tonnage (mt)	Total cost (US\$)*	Beneficiaries	Approval date	Original duration (days)
<b>TABLE A: EMOPS APPROVED JOINTLY BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF FAO</b>										
ED/DG	200161	ODC	Kyrgyzstan	Food Assistance to Conflict-Affected Populations in the Kyrgyz Republic	13 109 835	28 284	23 089 380	560 000	07/07/10	180
ED/DG	200170	ODD	Niger	Saving Lives and Improving the Nutritional Status of Food Insecure Populations Affected by Drought and High Malnutrition Rates in Niger	129 903 090	212 518	279 401 688	7 886 655	19/07/10	150
ED/DG	200039	ODC	Yemen	Food Assistance to Conflict-Affected Persons in Northern Yemen	29 201 505	66 586	47 927 438	315 000	10/08/10	360
ED/DG	200060	ODD	Chad	Assistance to Sudanese Refugees, Internally Displaced and Affected Host Populations in Eastern Chad	37 296 698	99 170	132 682 872	869 000	22/12/10	360
ED/DG	200177	ODB	Pakistan	Emergency Food Assistance to Families Affected by Monsoon Floods in Pakistan	361 167 728	647 165	596 752 589	7 312 000	06/08/10	360
ED/DG	200151	ODS	Sudan	Food Assistance to Vulnerable Populations Affected by Conflict and Recurring Natural Disasters	230 135 653	596 399	628 213 452	6 751 000	29/12/10	360
ED/DG	200186	ODJ	Dem.Rep.of the Congo	Emergency Support to the Population Affected by Insecurity in the Haut and Bas Uélé Districts in Orientale Province of the Democratic Republic of the Congo	7 979 459	14 667	25 205 011	377 463	29/12/10	360
<b>Subtotal Table A</b>					<b>808 793 967</b>	<b>1 664 790</b>	<b>1 733 272 430</b>	<b>24 071 118</b>		
<b>TABLE B: EMOPS APPROVED BY THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER UNDER HIS DELEGATED AUTHORITY</b>										
DED/COO	200196	ODD	Burkina Faso	Post-Flood Livelihoods Recovery	2 020 760	607	2 756 609	77 000	14/10/10	120
DED/COO	200224	ODD	Côte d'Ivoire	Electoral Crisis 2010			198 874	n/a	17/12/10	120
DED/COO	200216	ODD	Guinea	Preparedness Activities for Potential Electoral Crisis			93 997	n/a	02/11/10	
DED/COO	200227	ODD	Liberia	Preparedness Activity for a Possible Influx of Ivoirians to Liberia			197 929	n/a	05/12/10	71
DED/COO	200206	ODB	Philippines	Preparedness Activities in the Context of WFP's support in Strengthening Philippines Government's Disaster-Response Capacity			200 000	n/a	08/10/10	90
DED/COO	200205	ODB	Asia Regional	Preparedness Activities in Three Very High-Risk/Impact Earthquake Locations in Asia (Manila, Jakarta and Kathmandu)			113 509	n/a	08/10/10	83
<b>Subtotal Table B</b>					<b>2 020 760</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>3 560 918</b>	<b>77 000</b>		





## EMOPS APPROVED DURING THE PERIOD 1 JULY–31 DECEMBER 2010

Approving authority	Project number	Regional Bureau	Recipient country	Project title	Food cost (US\$)*	Tonnage (mt)	Total cost (US\$)*	Beneficiaries	Approval date	Original duration (days)
<b>TABLE C: EMOPS APPROVED BY THE REGIONAL DIRECTORS OR COUNTRY DIRECTORS UNDER THEIR DELEGATED AUTHORITY</b>										
CD	200178	ODD	Burkina Faso	Assistance to Flood Victims	239 729	725	482 581	65 000	02/08/10	89
CD	200210	ODD	Benin	Emergency Assistance to Victims of Floods in Benin	270 174	622	497 136	50 000	22/10/10	33
CD	200213	ODD	Gambia	Food Assistance to Flood Victims	216 588	508	496 088	13 635	24/10/10	90
CD	200214	ODD	Guinea	Assistance to Flood Victims in Conakry, Coastal, Middle, Upper and Forest Guinea	240 423	569	458 261	41 000	11/11/10	117
CD	200218	ODB	Indonesia	Assistance to People Affected by Mentawai Tsunami, West Sumatra	116 325	99	495 567	11 000	05/11/10	90
CD	200204	ODP	Nicaragua	Assistance to Population Affected by Floods	272 599	344	498 740	15 000	06/10/10	90
CD	200171	ODD	Togo	Emergency Assistance to Ghanaian Refugees in the Savannah Region	243 189	471	431 060	9 500	19/07/10	89
CD	200220	ODD	Togo	Emergency Assistance to Victims of Flooding	264 682	567	471 964	50 000	02/12/10	66
CD	200221	ODP	Colombia	Emergency Assistance to Persons Affected by Floods	343 221	344	499 999	31 000	28/12/10	95
CD	200226	ODD	Côte d'Ivoire	Assistance to Displaced Persons in Côte d'Ivoire due to Internal Conflict	212 161	455	499 043	18 000	27/12/10	42
CD	200227	ODD	Liberia	Assistance to Ivoirian Refugees	171 027	380	499 826	15 000	28/12/10	93
<b>Subtotal Table C</b>					<b>2 590 118</b>	<b>5 083</b>	<b>5 330 265</b>	<b>319 135</b>		
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>813 404 845</b>	<b>1 670 480</b>	<b>1 742 163 613</b>	<b>24 467 253</b>		

\* Figures have been rounded

ODB – Regional Bureau Bangkok (Asia)

ODC – Regional Bureau Cairo (Middle East, Central Asia and Eastern Europe)

ODD – Regional Bureau Dakar (West Africa)

ODJ – Regional Bureau Johannesburg (Southern, Eastern and Central Africa)

ODP – Regional Bureau Panama City (Latin America and the Caribbean)

ODS – Regional Bureau the Sudan