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# ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Agenda item 1

### For approval



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## PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

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1. *Adoption of the agenda*. Pursuant to Rule III of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board, the Executive Director hereby presents, **for approval**, the Provisional Annotated Agenda of the First Regular Session of 2002. During the session, the Board may, by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting, amend the agenda by deletion, addition or modification of any item.

- 2. *Election of the Bureau and appointment of the Rapporteur*. In accordance with Rule IV of its Rules of Procedure, the Executive Board shall elect among the representatives of its members a President, Vice-President and three other members of the Bureau (collectively designated as the Bureau), who shall hold office until their successors are elected. Each member of the Bureau shall be chosen from one of the lists of States as defined in Appendix A to the General Regulations of WFP.
  - Pursuant to Rule XII, and in keeping with the established methods of work, the Board may also wish to appoint a Rapporteur from among the representatives.
- 3. *Current and future strategic issues*. Under this item, the Executive Director will provide an oral presentation on strategic issues facing the Programme, **for the Board's consideration.**
- 4. Financial and budgetary matters
  - a) Level of Financial Investment and WFP's Financial Investment Policy

At its Annual Session in 2001, the Board requested that the Secretariat submit a substantive document on the level of financial investment and the policy for financial investment and the policy for financial investment of WFP (decision 2001/EB.A/12). Therefore, the Board will have before it, **for consideration**, a discussion paper examining: the sources and the levels of cash received and disbursed by the Secretariat; cash-holding both at the country offices and Headquarters; the ideal cash level that should be maintained by the Secretariat; the investment levels, practices and policies in place; and the use of income earned on investments.

Pursuant to General Regulation XIV.4 and Financial Regulation 7.1, the Executive Director has forwarded the document to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) and the FAO Finance Committee for review. Their comments and recommendations will also be submitted to the Board for information.

b) <u>Summary of the Surplus Funds from Closed Projects Identified during the Migration to WINGS</u>

At its Third Regular Session in 2001, the Board was informed that, in the context of the migration of data to the WFP Information Network and Global System, the Secretariat might potentially identify surplus funds from closed projects and that it would present proposals for the utilization of those funds to the Board. Therefore, the Board will have before it, **for approval**—to the extent that the surplus or deficit accrues to the General Fund—the document on the status of contributions, expenditures and surplus and/or deficit on projects closed before 2001. Sections of the document pertaining to those projects that received directed contributions under the new Resources and Long-term Financing policies will be for information only.



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- 5. **Evaluation reports.** Evaluation documents submitted under this item are presented to the Board **for consideration.** The Board is requested to note the reports and the associated information note summarizing the action taken so far by management in implementing the recommendations. The evaluation report for the Country Programme of Mauritania will be considered in parallel with the Country Strategy Outline for this country.
  - ♦ Country Programme Mauritania
  - ♦ Ethiopia PRRO 6180.00
  - ♦ Somalia PRRO 6073.00
  - ♦ Uganda PRRO 6176.00

#### **Operational** matters

- 6. *Country Strategy Outlines*. The Executive Board's views are invited on the following document, submitted **for consideration**:
  - ♦ Mauritania
- 7. *Country Programmes.* The Executive Board will have before it, **for approval,** the following Country Programmes:
  - ♦ Bhutan (2002–2007)
  - ♦ Yemen (2002–2007)
- 8. Projects for Executive Board approval

#### Protracted relief and recovery operations

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following protracted relief and recovery operations exceeding the Executive Director's delegated authority:

- ♦ Ethiopia 10127.0
- ♦ Indonesia 10069.0
- ♦ Myanmar 10066.1
- ♦ Nepal 10058.1
- ♦ Sudan 10122.0
- ♦ Uganda 10121.0
- ♦ Federal Republic of Yugoslavia 10116.0



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#### 9. Organizational and procedural matters

#### A Decade of Change

Over the past ten years, WFP has undertaken an extraordinary process of transformational change, a process that continues today.

Under this item, the Board will have before it, **for consideration**, a document aiming to provide members of the Executive Board, managers and staff with a description of the change process during the period 1992–2002, and a summary of the key challenges that remain. The paper focuses on how WFP built its *capacity* to deliver programmes for the hungry poor. It does *not* describe WFP's achievements in serving the hungry poor, which are documented in several other papers.

The paper is an intrinsic part of WFP's change process and a key element of the Programme's desire to take stock of developments and assess challenges. It seeks to describe not only what changes have been undertaken but also why they were necessary and why certain decisions were taken.

- 10. Summary of the Work of the Third Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2001. In accordance with the Executive Board's decision at its Second Regular Session in 1996 on its methods of work, the Summary of the Work of the Third Regular Session of 2001 will be submitted for endorsement.
- 11. *Other business*. Representatives and the Executive Director may wish to raise further matters of interest to the Executive Board.
- 12. *Verification of 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.



