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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 annotated provisional agenda of the Third Regular Session of 2000. 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. ***Appointment of the Rapporteur and election of a member of the Bureau.*** In accordance with Rule XII of the Rules of Procedure, the Executive Board may appoint a Rapporteur from among its representatives.

Following the closure of the Representation of Burundi in Rome, Mr Gaspard Kabura has been reassigned and is therefore unable to continue to carry out his functions as representative of List A on the Bureau of the Board. In accordance with Rule IV, paragraph 4 of the Rules of Procedure, List A proposes the nomination of Mr Rufin Gabriel Ambero (Republic of the Congo), for the remainder of the term.

3. ***Policy issues***

a) Follow-up to Executive Board's decision 2000/EB.A/6 on Governance

At its Annual Session of 2000, the Board considered the Report of its Working Group on Governance (WFP/EB.A/2000/4-D) and approved recommendations k) to w), referring recommendations a) to j) for further consideration by a successor working group. During consideration of the Report, the Secretariat undertook to inform the Board at a later stage of the financial and legal implications that may arise from the implementation of the recommendations, and to comment on the schedule for implementing all the recommendations contained in the Report. The Board will have before it, **for information**, Document WFP/EB.3/2000/3-A which outlines the steps that the Secretariat considers would be required to give effect to the approved recommendations k) to w).

b) Resource Mobilization Strategy

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, a document outlining a strategy for WFP's future resource mobilization efforts (WFP/EB.3/2000/3-B). This document, which is the result of three informal consultations and discussions with the membership, recommends a series of measures to make the Programme's funding more predictable, flexible and secure.

c) Situations of Internal Displacement

At its Third Regular Session of 1999, the Executive Board concurred, as outlined in the paper "Looking Forward: Humanitarian Policy Concerns for WFP" (WFP/EB.3/99/9-B), that internally displaced persons should be a priority area among WFP's policy concerns. The Secretariat subsequently organized two informal consultations and an information briefing, during which participants considered a number of issues related to situations of internal displacement. The Board will have before it, **for information**, a statement by the Chairperson giving an update of the status of the discussion.



d) Participatory Approaches

The Board will have before it, **for information**, document WFP/EB.3/2000/3-D which reviews WFP's experience using participatory approaches and tools in emergency and development interventions. The report outlines feasible steps for increasing the use of participatory approaches and tools, particularly in the implementation of the Enabling Development policy.

4. *Financial and budgetary matters*

a) Report on Budgetary Performance, 1998–99

Under this item, the Board will have before it, **for information**, the Executive Director's report on budgetary performance, 1998–99. In accordance with WFP's General Regulations, Article XIV.4, the report has been presented to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) and the FAO Finance Committee for their advice. It contains performance information relating to expenditures on both operational and support costs for 1998-99.

b) Audited Biennial Accounts (1998–99)

Under this item, the Board will have before it WFP's Audited Biennial Accounts (1998–99), composed of the following:

- i) *WFP 1998-99 Audited Financial Statements*. In accordance with General Regulation XIV 6 (b), the Executive Director submits to the Executive Board, **for approval**, the biennial financial statements of WFP, together with the report of the External Auditor. The financial statements are submitted under cover of the Executive Director's statement on the biennial accounts.
- ii) *Progress Report on the Implementation of Recommendations in the 1996–97 Audit Report of the External Auditor*. At the Annual Sessions of 1998 and 1999, the Executive Director presented to the Board annual progress reports on actions taken by the Programme in the implementation of recommendations made by the External Auditor in his report on the 1996–97 Financial Statements. This paper constitutes a final report on actions taken and progress achieved to date in the implementation of those recommendations. Any items remaining outstanding are incorporated in the progress report on the 1998–99 audit recommendations.
- iii) *Progress Report on the Implementation of Recommendations in the 1998-99 Audit Report of the External Auditor*. In this section of the report, the Executive Director will present to the Executive Board specific responses to the recommendations of the External Auditor in his 1998-99 audit report, as well as actions that had already been taken during the biennium, or that will be taken in the future.

In accordance with WFP's General Regulations, Article XIV.4, the Audited Biennial Accounts (1998–99) have been presented to the ACABQ and the FAO Finance Committee for their advice.



c) Report of the Office of the Inspector-General

In response to the request contained in the Executive Board's decision 1996/EB.A/11 whereby the Board asked that the reports of the Office of Inspection and Investigation be submitted to the Board at the time of presentation of the report of the External Auditor, the report of the work of the WFP Office of the Inspector-General for the period 1998–99 is hereby submitted to the Board, **for information**. The Board may wish to provide its comments which, together with the report, will be forwarded to the United Nations Office of Internal Oversight Services.

d) Strengthening the Management Capacity of the World Food Programme

The Executive Director proposes to create several additional posts and to upgrade a number of WFP positions at headquarters and in the field, in order to reflect the increasing scope and complexity of WFP's work. Therefore, The Board will have before it, **for approval**, a request to authorize the establishment of those posts and to endorse the principle that all WFP staff should have grade levels commensurate with their authorities and responsibilities. The cost of the posts will be met from within the current budget. In accordance with WFP's General Regulations, Article XIV.4, this proposal has been submitted to the ACABQ and the FAO Finance Committee for their advice.

5. **Evaluation reports.** Evaluation documents submitted under this item are presented to the Board **for consideration**. The Board is requested to comment upon the reports and to endorse the Secretariat's plan to integrate the recommendations and lessons identified into the future work of the Programme.

- ◇ Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) Emergency Operations 5959.00 and 5959.01
- ◇ Country Programme, Egypt (1998-2001)
- ◇ Emergency Operation Indonesia 6006.00
- ◇ Country Programme, Malawi (1998-2001)

Operational matters

6. **Country Strategy Outlines.** The Executive Board's views are invited on the following documents, submitted **for consideration**:

- ◇ China
- ◇ Egypt
- ◇ Malawi
- ◇ Nepal
- ◇ Sudan

7. **Country Programmes.** The Executive Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following Country Programme:

- ◇ Bangladesh (2001–2005)

8. **Projects for Executive Board approval**

- a) Development projects. The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following development project exceeding the Executive Director's delegated authority:



- ◇ Sudan 6190.00
- b) 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:
 - ◇ Cambodia 6038.01
 - ◇ Democratic Republic of the Congo 6274.00
 - ◇ Republic of the Congo 6265.00
 - ◇ West Africa Coastal 6271.00
- c) Budget increases to protracted relief and recovery operations. The Board will have before it, **for approval**, a budget increase to the following protracted relief and recovery operation exceeding the Executive Director's delegated authority:
 - ◇ Nepal 6151.00

9. *Reports of the Executive Director on operational matters*

- a) Development projects approved by the Executive Director, 1 January–30 June 2000. The Executive Board will have before it, **for information**, summaries of the following development projects approved by the Executive Director within her delegated authority:
 - ◇ Gambia 2729.03
 - ◇ Madagascar 4553.01
 - ◇ Sri Lanka 6107.00
 - ◇ Tanzania 5975.01
- b) Budget increases to development projects approved by the Executive Director, 1 January–30 June 2000. The Executive Board will have before it, **for information**, a document summarizing budget increases to development projects approved by the Executive Director within her delegated authority.
- c) Protracted relief and recovery operations approved by the Executive Director, 1 January - 30 June 2000. The Executive Board will have before it, **for information**, summaries of the following protracted relief and recovery operations approved by the Executive Director within her delegated authority:
 - ◇ Bangladesh 6155.01
 - ◇ Dominican Republic 6202.00
 - ◇ India 6211.00
 - ◇ Mali 5804.01
 - ◇ Palestinian Territory 6214.00
 - ◇ Yemen 6090.01
 - ◇ Zambia 6134.01
- d) Budget increases to protracted relief and recovery operations approved by the Executive Director, 1 January–30 June 2000. The Executive Board will have before it, **for information**, a document summarizing budget increases to protracted relief and



recovery operations approved by the Executive Director within her delegated authority.

- e) Other reports on operational matters
- ◇ Update on the implementation of PRRO Somalia 6073.00. In accordance with decision 1999/EB.1/11 whereby the Board requested the Secretariat to provide a yearly progress report on PRRO Somalia 6073.00, the Board will have before it, **for information**, document WFP/EB.3/2000/9-E.
10. **Organizational and procedural matters.** Provisional Programme of Work of the Board: 2001-2002. Pursuant to Rule III of the Rules of Procedure, the Executive Board will have before it, **for approval**, a provisional programme of work for 2001-2002.
11. **Summaries of the work of the Second Regular and Annual Sessions.** In accordance with the Executive Board's decision at its Second Regular Session of 1996 on its methods of work, the Summaries of the Work of the Second Regular and Annual Sessions of 2000 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 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.

