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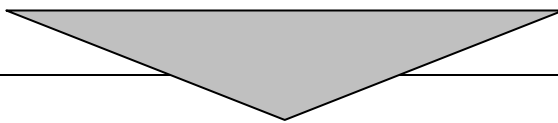
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AMENDMENTS TO GENERAL RULES VI.1 AND X.2(a) OF WFP

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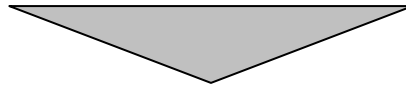
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Draft Decision



The Board approved the following changes to the General Rules:

General Rule VI.1: Strategic Plan

The Executive Director shall submit to the Annual Session of the Board, in the second year of each financial period, a Strategic Plan that will cover a four-year period, be prepared every two years on a rolling basis and will highlight the main features of the proposed programme of work for the ensuing financial period.

General Rule X.2: Country Programmes for development assistance

- (a) Within the framework of the Strategic Plan, the Executive Director shall submit to the Board for review and approval multi-year country programmes to be undertaken by WFP that are integrated with the development plans and priorities of the recipient countries.
- (b) ...
- (c) ...
- (d) ...



1. At its Annual and Third Regular Sessions, 2000, the Executive Board approved a number of recommendations aimed at improving the governance of WFP. In its decision 2000/EB.3/1, of 26 October 2000, the Board also took note of the amendments to the Basic Texts that will be required to implement the recommendations for the changes to the governance of the World Food Programme.
2. Under General Rule XV.1, amendments to the General Rules are approved by the Board and submitted for information to the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations and the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO).
3. The Secretariat, in consultation with the Legal Counsel, presents to the Board the proposed changes to General Rules VI.1 and X.2 (a). The proposed amendments would change the name of the “Strategic and Financial Plan” to “Strategic Plan”.
4. At its Third Regular Session, 2000, the Executive Board had also noted that a number of other amendments were needed for the implementation of changes in the governance of the Programme. The Secretariat intends to finalize the required amendments and submit proposals to the Board for approval, with the advice of the ACABQ and the Finance Committee where applicable.
5. The Board is presented with the existing text showing the proposed changes:

General Rule VI.1: Strategic and Financial Plan

The Executive Director shall submit to the Annual Session of the Board, in the second year of each financial period, a Strategic and Financial Plan that will cover a four-year period, be prepared every two years on a rolling basis and will highlight the main features of the proposed programme of work for the ensuing financial period.

General Rule X.2: Country Programmes for development assistance

(a) Within the framework of the Strategic and Financial Plan, the Executive Director shall submit to the Board for review and approval multi-year country programmes to be undertaken by WFP that are integrated with the development plans and priorities of the recipient countries.

(b) ...

(c) ...

(d) ...

