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ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA



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FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

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1. *Adoption of the agenda*. The Executive Director has prepared and circulated the provisional agenda (WFP/EB.1/97/1) which is based on the programme of work of the Executive Board for 1997, approved at the Third Regular Session of 1996 (WFP/EB.3/96/11). The Executive Board may amend the provisional 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 - Implications of the World Food Summit Plan of Action for WFP*. In accordance with the Executive Board's Programme of Work for 1997, approved at the Third Regular Session of 1996, the Board will have before it a brief document identifying those aspects of the Plan of Action which have significant implications for WFP and indicating ways in which WFP may collaborate with other parts of the United Nations system on follow-up to the Plan of Action.

The Board may wish to comment and give guidance to the Secretariat.

4. **Resource and Financial matters: Update of indirect cost rates**. In response to the request of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes (CFA) to the Secretariat at its Fortieth Session to carry out a cost measurement study in 1996, the Executive Board, at its Third Regular Session of 1996, was presented with an information note on the preliminary findings of the 1996 study.

The Board noted that the Secretariat would make proposals for new rates for 1997, if the findings of the study indicated a significant deviation from the current rates (decision 1996/EB.3/1). In line with that decision, a document containing proposals for new rates will be submitted to the Board for discussion and approval.

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

6. Development projects for Executive Board approval

Under this item, the Executive Board will have before it the following proposed development projects exceeding the Executive Director's delegated authority for approval:

Nicaragua 4515 (Exp.1) - Assistance to pre-school and lower primary schoolchildren in depressed areas of Nicaragua

Syria 2418 (Exp.4) - Assistance to reforestation and range land management

The Executive Board will have before it the following proposed protracted refugee and displaced person projects exceeding the Executive Director's delegated authority for approval:

PRO Angola 5602 (Exp.1) - Food assistance to displaced and war-affected persons

8. 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 into the future work of WFP:

Egypt 3214 - Land development and settlement in the High Dam Lake area

India 2303 (Exp.2) - Rural development in the Krishna Basin command area, Karnataka

Tunisia 4783 - Rural development in the mountainous regions of the North-West

9. Reports submitted by the Executive Director

a) Progress reports on approved development projects

The Executive Board will have before it, for consideration, the following progress report on a project which has been in operation for two years or longer:

Panama 2796 (Exp.1) - Community development and food production in depressed areas

b) <u>Development projects approved by the Executive Director,</u> <u>1 July - 31 December 1996</u>

Under this item, the Executive Board may wish to consider summaries of the following development projects approved by the Executive Director between 1 July and 31 December 1996 within her delegated authority:

Bangladesh 2197 (Exp.10) - Rural development programme

Egypt 5586 - Support to natural resource management in the North-western desert

Gaza 5761/Q - Support to social safety net programmes in the Gaza Strip

Malawi 5782 - Enhanced food security through targeted food for work

Zaire 5732 - Food security in Kinshasa

c) <u>Protracted refugee and displaced person projects approved by the Executive Director,</u> <u>1 July - 31 December 1996</u>

Under this item, the Executive Board may wish to consider summaries concerning the following protracted refugee and displaced person projects (PROs) approved by the Executive Director between 1 July and 31 December 1996 within her delegated authority:

Algeria 4155 (Exp.6) - Food assistance to vulnerable groups among western Saharan refugees

Bangladesh 5329 (Exp.1) - Assistance to Myanmar refugees

Djibouti 4960 (Exp.2) - Food assistance to Ethiopian and Somali refugees and returnees from Ethiopia



Sri Lanka 5346 (Exp.3) - Assistance to Sri Lankan internally displaced persons

Yemen 5771 - Food assistance for Somali refugees

Zambia 5428 (Exp.2) - Food assistance for refugees from Angola and Zaire

d) Budget increases approved by the Executive Director, 1 July - 31 December 1996

A paper providing information on budget increases approved by the Executive Director between 1 July and 31 December 1996 within her delegated authority, for seven development projects, will be submitted under this agenda item.

- 10. *Summary of the work of the Third Regular Session of 1996 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 1996 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 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.

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