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Annotated provisional agenda

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 agenda of the 2024 second regular session. 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

Pursuant to Rule XII and in keeping with the established methods of work, the Board may appoint a Rapporteur from among the representatives.

3. Opening remarks by the Executive Director, including an overview of current and future opportunities and challenges for WFP

Under this item the Executive Director will make an oral presentation to the Board on current and future strategic issues facing WFP.

4. Policy issues

a) <u>Resilience policy update</u>

Building on the results of the evaluation of the policy on building resilience for food security and nutrition, which was considered by the Board at its 2023 annual session, the Secretariat will present a resilience policy update. This item will be presented to the Board **for approval.**

b) <u>School meals policy update</u>

As recommended in the strategic evaluation of the contribution of school feeding activities to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals considered by the Board at its 2021 annual session (WFP/EB.A/2021/7-B), an update of the school meals policy will be presented to the Board **for approval**.

c) <u>Climate change policy update</u>

As recommended in the summary report on the evaluation of the WFP's disaster risk reduction and management and climate change policies presented to the Board at its 2023 annual session, the Secretariat will present a climate change policy update **for approval**.

d) WFP revised corporate results framework (2022-2025)

As requested by the Board at its 2022 first regular session, the Secretariat will present a revised corporate results framework (2022–2025) including additional key performance indicators. This item will be presented to the Board **for approval**.

e) Update on the implementation of WFP's cash policy*

Further to the approval of the cash policy by the Board at its 2023 annual session, the Secretariat will present an update on the implementation of the policy, **for information**.

f) <u>Compendium of policies relating to the strategic plan</u>

At its annual session in 2000, the Board approved the recommendations contained in the report of the working group on governance (decision 2000/EB.A/6). Governance recommendation (d) established that WFP policy statements should be codified in a compendium. At the Board's request in 2010, the compendium was reorganized to focus on policies relating to the goals of the strategic plan. Since 2023, the document also includes an analysis of policy gaps. This item will be presented to the Board **for information**.

g) <u>Update on collaboration among the Rome-based agencies</u>

At its second regular session in 2010, the Board asked the Secretariat to report annually on Rome-based agency collaboration as a follow-up to the document entitled "Directions for collaboration among the Rome-based agencies" (WFP/EB.2/2009/11-C). The report provides a comprehensive overview on the collaboration, along with any new areas of collaboration, initiatives and partnerships for food and nutrition security. This item will be presented to the Board **for information**.

5. Resource, financial and budgetary matters

a) WFP management plan (2025–2027)

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the management plan for the period 2025–2027, including WFP's budget for 2025.

The Board will also have before it, **for information**, the comments and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions of the United Nations (ACABQ) and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) Finance Committee.

b) <u>Report of the External Auditor on findings from field audits and WFP management</u> response

As agreed with the Bureau at its 4 April 2024 meeting, the External Auditor will present a report of the findings from the field audits undertaken during the reporting period. This item will also include the response by the Secretariat to the recommendations contained in the report. Both documents will be presented to the Board **for consideration**.

The Board will also have before it, **for information**, the comments and recommendations of the ACABQ and the FAO Finance Committee.

^{*} Items marked with an asterisk are to be presented for information only but will nevertheless be discussed during the session.

6. Evaluation reports

a) <u>Summary evaluation report on the mid-term evaluation of the WFP strategic plan</u> (2022–2025) and management response

This evaluation report will provide an analysis and assessment of the implementation of the strategic plan (2022–2025) by WFP, and will inform the elaboration of the strategic plan for 2026–2029 which will be presented to the Board in 2025. This item will be presented to the Board for consideration.

b) <u>Synthesis of evidence and lessons on WFP's cooperating partners and management</u> <u>response</u>

This evaluation synthesis will provide evidence and generate lessons, from centralized and decentralized evaluations, on WFP's role in the management of, and strategic engagement with cooperating partners. This item will be presented to the Board **for consideration**.

c) <u>Summary evaluation reports on country strategic plans and management responses</u>

The evaluations provide an analysis and assessment of all WFP activities comprising the country strategic plans. They evaluate the performance and results and provide evaluative insights to make evidence-based decisions about positioning WFP, strategic partnerships, programme design, and implementation. The evaluation findings and recommendations will inform the country office's subsequent strategic plan and programme implementation. Summary evaluation reports and management responses will be presented, **for consideration**, for the following country strategic plans and interim country strategic plans:

- 1. Colombia (2021-2024)
- 2. Cuba (2021-2024)
- 3. Mali (2020-2024)
- 4. Rwanda (2019-2023)
- 5. Syrian Arab Republic (2018–2025)
- d) <u>Summary report on the evaluation of WFP's emergency response to the prolonged crisis</u> in the Sahel and other countries of Central Africa (2018–2023) and management response

WFP corporate emergency evaluations assess WFP emergency responses in order to provide evaluation evidence and learning related to WFP's performance and to provide accountability for results to WFP stakeholders, including affected populations. This corporate emergency evaluation report will provide an analysis and assessment of WFP's response to the prolonged crisis in the Sahel and other countries of Central Africa. This item will be presented to the Board **for consideration**.

7. Operational matters

a) <u>Country strategic plans</u>

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following country strategic plans:

- 1. Colombia (2025–2028)
- 2. Namibia (2025–2029)
- 3. Senegal (2025-2029)
- 4. Ukraine (2025–2027)

b) Oral global overview of humanitarian needs and operational concerns and priorities*

An oral global overview on humanitarian needs and operational concerns and priorities will be presented to the Board **for information**.

c) Oral update on the global assurance project*

At the request of the Board, the Secretariat will present an oral update on the developments made on the global assurance project. The item will be presented to the Board **for information**.

d) <u>Revisions of country strategic plans, interim country strategic plans and transitional</u> interim country strategic plans, and corresponding budget increases, approved under delegations of authority (1 January 2024–30 June 2024)

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a document summarizing revisions of country strategic plans, interim country strategic plans and transitional interim country strategic plans and corresponding budget increases approved by the Executive Director or jointly by the Executive Director and the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations within their delegated authority.

8. Organizational and procedural matters

a) Biennial programme of work of the Executive Board (2025–2026)

Pursuant to Rule III of the Rules of procedure, the Board will have before it, **for approval**, its biennial programme of work (2025–2026).

9. Administrative and managerial matters

a) Appointment of one member to the Independent Oversight Advisory Committee

The Board will appoint one member to the Independent Oversight Advisory Committee on the basis of the recommendations by the selection panel. This item will be presented to the Board **for approval**.

10. Summary of the work of the 2024 annual session of the Executive Board

In accordance with the Board's decision at its 1996 second regular session on its methods of work, the summary of work of the 2024 annual session is submitted **for approval.**

11. Other business

a) <u>Second interim report of the Executive Board working group on the governance review</u>

This report provides recommendations of the working group to the Board including the remaining recommendations from the independent consultant's report, other governance initiatives and next steps. This item will be presented to the Board **for approval**.

b) <u>Report of the joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF,</u> <u>UN-Women and WFP</u>

A report of the joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP will be presented to the Board **for information**.

12. Verification of adopted decisions and recommendations

The Board will have before it a draft document containing all decisions and recommendations taken at its current session, for verification of their accuracy.