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**DECISIONS AND  
RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION OF THE  
EXECUTIVE BOARD, 2008**

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## **DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

The Board adopted the agenda as proposed.

*27 October 2008*

### **Appointment of the Rapporteur**

In accordance with Rule XII of its Rules of Procedure, the Board appointed Mr Trevor Sichombo (Zambia, List A) Rapporteur of the Second Regular Session of 2008.

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The decisions and recommendations in the current report will be implemented by the Secretariat in the light of the Board's deliberations, from which the main comments will be reflected in the summary of the work of the session.

## **CURRENT AND FUTURE STRATEGIC ISSUES**

### **2008/EB.2/1      Opening Remarks by the Executive Director**

The Board took note of the presentation by the Executive Director. The main points of the presentation and the Board's comments will be contained in the summary of the work of the session.

*27 October 2008*

## **POLICY ISSUES**

### **2008/EB.2/2      WFP Evaluation Policy**

The Board approved the WFP Evaluation Policy presented in WFP/EB.2/2008/4-A and requested the Secretariat to take note of comments and observations made in discussing the document.

*29 October 2008*

### **2008/EB.2/3      Vouchers and Cash Transfers as Food Assistance Instruments: Opportunities and Challenges**

The Board took note of "Vouchers and Cash Transfers as Food Assistance Instruments: Opportunities and Challenges" (WFP/EB.2/2008/4-B).

*28 October 2008*



**2008/EB.2/4      Preparing for Tomorrow Today: WFP Strategy for Managing and Developing Human Resources (2008–2011)**

The Board took note of the document “Preparing for Tomorrow Today: WFP Strategy for Managing and Developing Human Resources (2008–2011)” (WFP/EB.2/2008/4-C + Corr.1) and requested the Secretariat to implement the actions and initiatives identified in the document to facilitate attainment of the WFP Strategic Objectives and the United Nations’ targets on geographic distribution and gender for recruitment of WFP’s international workforce based on merit and also taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussions.

*28 October 2008*

**2008/EB.2/5      Global Challenge, National Response: WFP’s Support to National AIDS Programmes – Annual Update on WFP’s Response to HIV and AIDS**

The Board took note of “Global Challenge, National Response: WFP’s Support to National AIDS Programmes – Annual Update on WFP’s Response to HIV and AIDS” (WFP/EB.2/2008/4-D).

*29 October 2008*

**2008/EB.2/6      Progress Report on Ending Child Hunger and Undernutrition**

The Board took note of “Progress Report on Ending Child Hunger and Undernutrition” (WFP/EB.2/2008/4-E).

*28 October 2008*

**RESOURCE, FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY MATTERS**

**2008/EB.2/7      Update on the WFP Management Plan (2008–2009)**

The Board:

- i) **took note** of the projected total Programme of Work of US\$11.4 billion, excluding provision for unforeseen emergencies;
- ii) **approved** a supplementary Programme Support and Administrative (PSA) appropriation for the following purposes:

	<b>US\$ thousand</b>
Programme support: regional and country offices	15 064
Programme support: Headquarters	9 717
Management and administration	41 309
<b>Total</b>	<b>66 090</b>

- iii) **approved** one-time supplementary PSA appropriations of up to US\$40.8 million funded from the PSA Equalization Account, for the purposes outlined in Section II of the document.



iv) **requested**, in view of the uncertainties in the global economy, and therefore in some of the underlying assumptions in the Management Plan, that the Secretariat continue its process of regular Executive Board informal consultations on the Management Plan and through the regular Management Plan Updates in February 2009 and June 2009. In light of the reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the FAO Finance Committee, asked the Secretariat to provide further rationale for priorities and posts (in the latest revised PSA budget) and to bring to the Board's attention any developments that might require an adjustment in the Management Plan.

The Board also took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.2/2008/5(A,B,C,D)/2) and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.2/2008/5(A,B,C,D)/3).

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#### **2008/EB.2/8**

#### **Managing for Results: A Second Review of Progress in Implementing Results-Based Management – Report by the External Auditor**

The Board took note of the audit recommendations made by the External Auditor in his report “Managing for Results: A Second Review of Progress in Implementing Results-Based Management” (WFP/EB.2/2008/5-B/1) and of the responses made by the Secretariat as set out in the document WFP/EB.2/2008/5-B/1/Add.1, and encouraged the Secretariat to implement the audit recommendations without delay.

*28 October 2008*

### **EVALUATION REPORTS**

#### **2008/EB.2/9**

#### **Summary Report of the Thematic Evaluation of WFP’s HIV and AIDS Interventions in Sub-Saharan Africa**

The Board took note of “Summary Report of the Thematic Evaluation of WFP’s HIV and AIDS Interventions in Sub-Saharan Africa” (WFP/EB.2/2008/6-A/Rev.1) and of the management response (WFP/EB.2/2008/6-A/Add.1), and encouraged further action on the recommendations, taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

*29 October 2008*



**2008/EB.2/10      Summary Report of the End-of-Term Evaluation of WFP's Gender Policy (2003–2007): Enhanced Commitments to Women to Ensure Food Security**

The Board took note of “Summary Report of the End-of-Term Evaluation of WFP’s Gender Policy (2003–2007): Enhanced Commitments to Women to Ensure Food Security” (WFP/EB.2/2008/6-B) and of the management response (WFP/EB.2/2008/6-B/Add.1) and encouraged further action on the recommendations, taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

*29 October 2008*

**ASIA REGIONAL PORTFOLIO**

**2008/EB.2/11      Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation Sri Lanka 10756.0**

The Executive Board approved the PRRO for Sri Lanka 10756.0 “Food For Peacebuilding and Recovery in Conflict-Affected Areas” (WFP/EB.2/2008/8-B/2).

*30 October 2008*

**SOUTHERN, EASTERN AND CENTRAL AFRICA REGIONAL PORTFOLIO**

**2008/EB.2/12      Country Programme Kenya 10668.0 (2009–2013)**

The Board approved on a no-objection basis country programme Kenya 10668.0 (2009–2013) (WFP/EB.2/2008/7/2) for which the food requirement is 166,620 mt at a total cost to WFP of US\$106.3 million.

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**2008/EB.2/13      Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation Burundi 10528.1**

The Board approved the proposed PRRO Burundi 10528.1 “Support for Stabilization and Recovery: Protecting and Creating Livelihoods and Improving the Nutritional Status of the Most Vulnerable” (WFP/EB.2/2008/8-B/1).

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**2008/EB.2/14      Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation Ethiopia 10127.3**

The Board approved the proposed PRRO Ethiopia 10127.3 “Food Assistance to Sudanese, Somali and Eritrean Refugees” (WFP/EB.2/2008/8-B/3 + Corr.1).

*28 October 2008*



## WEST AFRICA REGIONAL PORTFOLIO

### **2008/EB.2/15      Country Programme Niger 10614.0 (2009–2013)**

The Board approved on a no-objection basis country programme Niger 10614.0 (2009–2013) (WFP/EB.2/2008/7/1), for which the food requirement is 52,569 mt at a total cost to WFP of US\$46.4 million.

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### **2008/EB.2/16      Development Project Côte d'Ivoire 10759.0**

The Board approved the proposed development project Côte d'Ivoire 10759.0 “Support to Sustainable School Feeding” (WFP/EB.2/2008/8-A), subject to the availability of resources.

*29 October 2008*

## ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS

### **2008/EB.2/17      Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2009–2010)**

The Board approved the “Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2009–2010)” (WFP/EB.2/2008/11) as proposed by the Bureau and the Secretariat.

*30 October 2008*

## ADMINISTRATIVE AND MANAGERIAL MATTERS

### **2008/EB.2/18      Review of the Increased Delegation of Authority to the Executive Director**

The Board took note of the information contained in “Review of the Increased Delegation of Authority to the Executive Director” (WFP/EB.2/2008/12), and confirmed the existing levels of delegation of authority to the Executive Director.

*29 October 2008*

## SUMMARY OF THE WORK OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

### **2008/EB.2/19      Summary of the Work of the Annual Session of the Executive Board, 2008**

The Board endorsed the document “Draft Summary of the Work of the Annual Session of the Executive Board, 2008”, the final version of which would be embodied in the document WFP/EB.A/2008/17.

*30 October 2008*



**OTHER BUSINESS****2008/EB.2/20 Report of the WFP Executive Board Members on their Visit to Honduras**

The Board took note of the Report of the WFP Executive Board Members on their Visit to Honduras (WFP/EB.2/2008/14).

*30 October 2008*



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- 2. Appointment of the Rapporteur**
- 3. Opening Remarks by the Executive Director**
- 4. Policy Issues**
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  - b) Vouchers and Cash Transfers as Food Assistance Instruments: Opportunities and Challenges (for consideration)
  - c) Preparing for Tomorrow Today: WFP Strategy for Managing and Developing Human Resources (2008–2011): (for consideration)
  - d) Global Challenge, National Response: WFP’s Support to National AIDS Programmes – Annual Update on WFP’s Response to HIV and AIDS (for information)
  - e) Progress Report on Ending Child Hunger and Undernutrition (for information)
  - f) Consolidated Framework of WFP Policies – An Updated Version (October 2008)
- 5. Resource, Financial and Budgetary Matters**
  - a) Update on the WFP Management Plan (2008–2009) (for approval)
  - b) Managing for Results: A Second Review of Progress in Implementing Results-Based Management – Report by the External Auditor (for consideration)
    - Response of the Secretariat to the Report by the External Auditor on Managing for Results: A Second Review of Progress in Implementing Results-Based Management (for consideration)
  - c) Programme of Work of the External Auditor for 2008–2009 (for information)
  - d) Update on the WINGS II Project (for information)
- 6. Evaluation Reports (for consideration)**
  - a) Summary Report of the Thematic Evaluation of WFP’s HIV and AIDS Interventions in Sub-Saharan Africa
    - Management Response to the Summary Report of the Thematic Evaluation of WFP’s HIV and AIDS Interventions in Sub-Saharan Africa
  - b) Summary Report of the End-of-Term Evaluation of WFP’s Gender Policy (2003–2007): Enhanced Commitments to Women to Ensure Food Security
    - Management Response to the Summary Report of the End-of-Term Evaluation of WFP’s Gender Policy (2003–2007): Enhanced Commitments to Women to Ensure Food Security

## Operational Matters

### 7. ***Country Programmes*** (for approval on a no-objection basis)

- Kenya 10668.0 (2009–2013)
- Niger 10614.0 (2009–2013)

### 8. ***Projects for Executive Board Approval***

#### a) Development Projects

- Côte d'Ivoire 10759.0

#### b) Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations

- Burundi 10528.1
- Ethiopia 10127.3
- Sri Lanka 10756.0

### 9. ***Projects Approved by Correspondence*** (for information)

#### a) Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations Approved by Correspondence between the Annual Session and the Second Regular Session 2008

- Timor-Leste 10388.1

#### b) Budget Increases to Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations Approved by Correspondence between the Annual Session and the Second Regular Session 2008

- Afghanistan 10427.0
- Democratic Republic of the Congo 10608.0
- Ethiopia 10665.0
- Somalia 10191.1
- Zimbabwe 10595.0

### 10. ***Reports of the Executive Director on Operational Matters*** (for information)

#### a) Development Activities Approved by the Executive Director (1 January–30 June 2008)

- Djibouti 10727.0

#### b) Budget Increases to Development Activities Approved by the Executive Director (1 January–30 June 2008)

- c) Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations Approved by the Executive Director (1 January–30 June 2008)
  - Central African Republic 10189.2
  - Lesotho 10599.0
  - Swaziland 10602.0
  - Yemen 10232.1
- d) Budget Increases to PRROs Approved by the Executive Director (1 January–30 June 2008)
- e) Emergency Operations Approved by the Executive Director or by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 January–30 June 2008)

**11. *Organizational and Procedural Matters***

- Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2009–2010) (for approval)

**12. *Administrative and Managerial Matters***

- Review of the Increased Delegation of Authority to the Executive Director (for approval)

**13. *Summary of the Work of the Annual Session of the Executive Board, 2008***

**14. *Other Business***

- Report of the WFP Executive Board Members on their Visit to Honduras (for information)

**15. *Verification of Adopted Decisions and Recommendations***

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4 a)	WFP Evaluation Policy	WFP/EB.2/2008/4-A
4 b)	Vouchers and Cash Transfers as Food Assistance Instruments: Opportunities and Challenges	WFP/EB.2/2008/4-B
4 c)	Preparing for Tomorrow Today: WFP Strategy for Managing and Developing Human Resources (2008–2011)	WFP/EB.2/2008/4-C + Coor.1
4 d)	Global Challenge, National Response: WFP's Support to National AIDS Programmes – Annual Update on WFP's Response to HIV and AIDS	WFP/EB.2/2008/4-D
4 e)	Progress Report on Ending Child Hunger and Undernutrition	WFP/EB.2/2008/4-E
4 f)	Consolidated Framework of WFP Policies – An Updated Version (October 2008)	WFP/EB.2/2008/4-F
<b>Resource, Financial and Budgetary Matters</b>		
5 a)	Update on the WFP Management Plan (2008–2009)	WFP/EB.2/2008/5-A/1/Rev.1
	Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ)	WFP/EB.2/2008/5(A,B,C,D)/2
	Report of the FAO Finance Committee	WFP/EB.2/2008/5(A,B,C,D)/3
5 b)	Managing for Results: A Second Review of Progress in Implementing Results-Based Management – Report by the External Auditor	WFP/EB.2/2008/5-B/1
	Response of the Secretariat to the Report by the External Auditor on Managing for Results: A Second Review of Progress in Implementing Results-Based Management	WFP/EB.2/2008/5-B/1/Add.1
5 c)	Programme of Work of the External Auditor for 2008–2009	WFP/EB.2/2008/5-C
5 d)	Update on the WINGS II Project	WFP/EB.2/2008/5-D/1



<b>Provisional agenda item</b>	<b>Title of agenda item and document</b>	<b>Document symbol</b>
<b>Evaluation Reports</b>		
6 a)	Summary Report of the Thematic Evaluation of WFP's HIV and AIDS Interventions in Sub-Saharan Africa	WFP/EB.2/2008/6-A/Rev.1
	Management Response to the Summary Report of the Thematic Evaluation of WFP's HIV and AIDS Interventions in Sub-Saharan Africa	WFP/EB.2/2008/6-A/Add.1
6 b)	Summary Report of the End-of-Term Evaluation of WFP's Gender Policy (2003–2007): Enhanced Commitments to Women to Ensure Food Security	WFP/EB.2/2008/6-B
	Management Response to the Summary Report of the End-of-Term Evaluation of WFP's Gender Policy (2003–2007): Enhanced Commitments to Women to Ensure Food Security	WFP/EB.2/2008/6-B/Add.1
<b>Country Programmes for approval on a no-objection basis</b>		
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	➤ Kenya 10668.0 (2009–2013)	WFP/EB.2/2008/7/2
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	➤ Côte d'Ivoire 10759.0	WFP/EB.2/2008/8-A
8 b)	Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations:	
	➤ Burundi 10528.1	WFP/EB.2/2008/8-B/1
	➤ Sri Lanka 10756.0	WFP/EB.2/2008/8-B/2
	➤ Ethiopia 10127.3	WFP/EB.2/2008/8-B/3 + Corr.1
<b>Projects Approved by Correspondence</b>		
9 a)	Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations:	
	➤ Timor-Leste 10388.1	WFP/EB.2/2008/9-A
9 b)	Budget Increase to Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations:	
	➤ Somalia 10191.1	WFP/EB.2/2008/9-B/1
	➤ Ethiopia 10665.0	WFP/EB.2/2008/9-B/2
	➤ Democratic Republic of the Congo 10608.0	WFP/EB.2/2008/9-B/3
	➤ Afghanistan 10427.0	WFP/EB.2/2008/9-B/4
	➤ Zimbabwe 10595.0	WFP/EB.2/2008/9-B/5

<b>Provisional agenda item</b>	<b>Title of agenda item and document</b>	<b>Document symbol</b>
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10 b)	Budget Increases to Development Activities Approved by the Executive Director (1 January–30 June 2008)	WFP/EB.2/2008/10-B
10 c)	Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations Approved by the Executive Director (1 January–30 June 2008): ➤ Lesotho 10599.0 ➤ Swaziland 10602.0 ➤ Yemen 10232.1 ➤ Central African Republic 10189.2	WFP/EB.2/2008/10-C/1 WFP/EB.2/2008/10-C/2 WFP/EB.2/2008/10-C/3 WFP/EB.2/2008/10-C/4
10 d)	Budget Increases to Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations Approved by the Executive Director (1 January–30 June 2008)	WFP/EB.2/2008/10-D
10 e)	Emergency Operations Approved by the Executive Director or by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 January–30 June 2008)	WFP/EB.2/2008/10-E
<b>Organizational and Procedural Matters</b>		
11	Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2009–2010)	WFP/EB.2/2008/11
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14	Report of the WFP Executive Board Members on their Visit to Honduras	WFP/EB.2/2008/14
<b>Verification of Adopted Decisions and Recommendations</b>		
15	Decisions and Recommendations of the Second Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2008 Summary of the Work of the Second Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2008	WFP/EB.2/2008/15 WFP/EB.2/2008/16 <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> To be issued after endorsement by the Executive Board at its First Regular Session in February 2009.

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## ANNEX III

### LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

**MEMBERS**  
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