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PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

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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 Provisional Annotated Agenda of the First Regular Session in 2008. 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. Election of the Bureau and Appointment of the Rapporteur

In accordance with Rule IV of its Rules of Procedure, the Executive Board shall elect among the representatives of its members a President, a Vice-President and three other members (collectively designated as the Bureau), as well as an alternate. They shall hold office until their successors are elected. Each member and alternate of the Bureau shall be chosen from one of the Lists of States as defined in Appendix A to the General Regulations of WFP.

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

3. Current and Future Strategic Issues

Under this item, an oral presentation on strategic issues facing WFP will be made to the Board, **for consideration**.

4. Annual Reports

➤ Annual Report for 2007 to ECOSOC and FAO Council

The Annual Report to ECOSOC and the FAO Council is presented at the First Regular Session every year in accordance with the Board's 2004 decision on streamlining corporate reporting to the Board and WFP parent bodies (WFP/EB.A/2004/5-F). The report provides a comprehensive picture of WFP's engagement in United Nations system-wide activities, organized according to the common format for United Nations funds and programme reports to ECOSOC and taking into account the comments expressed by the WFP Board on the desired content of the report. This report is presented to the Board **for approval**.

5. Policy Issues

a) WFP Strategic Plan (2008–2011): First Draft

The document submitted to the Executive Board **for consideration** is the first draft of the WFP Strategic Plan (2008–2011), which takes into account comments made by the WFP membership during the informal consultations of 17 December and 21 January.



b) WFP's Private-Sector Partnership and Fundraising Strategy

This paper, presented **for approval**, proposes a strategy aimed at attracting US\$200 million in cash by 2017, of which US\$50 million would be multilateral, from a balanced portfolio of private corporations, foundations and individual donors. It also seeks Executive Board support for a financing arrangement which would limit the use of Programme Support and Administrative (PSA) budget to cover the cost of WFP's private-sector fundraising activities.

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

6. Resource, Financial and Budgetary Matters

a) Appointment and Reappointment of the External Auditor – withdrawn

At its Second Regular Session in 2005, the Board invited the Bureau to prepare for a decision by the Board on changes to the Basic Texts, with a view to clarifying the procedures for reappointment of the External Auditor. The proposed changes, taking into account the latest developments at the United Nations in the field of governance and oversight, are submitted by the Bureau to the Board **for approval**.

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

b) Progress Report on the Implementation of the External Auditor's Recommendations

The follow-up report on implementation of the recommendations of the External Auditor is presented **for consideration**.

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

c) Global Vehicle Leasing Programme and Self-Insurance Scheme*

This document, submitted **for information**, describes Global Vehicle Leasing Programme and self-insurance scheme and reviews progress to date. This programme is a first step towards global light fleet management and the exploitation of efficiency potentials in operating light vehicles.

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

d) Update on the WFP Management Plan (2008–2009)*

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a note on the implementation of the Management Plan.

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

e) Update on the WINGS II Project*

This paper, submitted to the Board **for information**, is a report on the WINGS II project, outlining the project's scope, current status and funding.

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



7. Evaluation Reports

a) Peer Review of the Evaluation Function at the World Food Programme

An external peer review of WFP's evaluation function was conducted in 2007, taking into account the lessons learned from the recent peer reviews of the UNDP and UNICEF evaluation functions. The purpose of this professional Peer Review is to provide an independent assessment of the functioning and quality of the WFP evaluation function. It also includes analysis of decentralized evaluation in WFP and the ways in which the organization as a whole engages in evaluation. The management response to the review recommendations is provided as an addendum. Both documents are submitted to the Board **for consideration**.

b) Summary Evaluation Report Colombia PRRO 10366.0

This report, which is submitted to the Board **for consideration**, summarizes an independent mid-term evaluation of protracted relief and recovery operation 10366.0 in support of internally displaced persons in Colombia. The evaluation mission was carried out in February and March 2007; its findings were meant to assist the country office in formulating a follow-on PRRO.

c) Summary Evaluation Report of Kenya Emergency Operation 10374.0 and Country Programme 10264.0 (2004–2008)

This evaluation report, which is submitted **for consideration**, provides a review of WFP's Kenya Emergency Operation 10374.0 and Country Programme 10264.0, both of which began in 2004. It was managed by the WFP Office of Evaluation and undertaken by a team of five consultants. The objectives of the evaluation were three-fold: accountability, guidance and learning.

Operational Matters

8. Country Programmes

In October 2002, the Board approved the harmonized procedure for country programme (CP) approval (WFP/EB.3/2002/4-B), whereby draft CPs will be reviewed by the Board at the Annual Session in June. The CP would then be posted on the WFP website and approved at the Second Regular Session on a “no-objection” basis. Since the presentation of the following draft country programmes had to be postponed to the Second Regular Session in 2007, they are submitted **for approval on a no-objection basis** at the First Regular Session of 2008; they will be discussed if, and only if, five Board members or more request it in writing (WFP/EB.2/2003/INF/6).

- Bolivia 10596.0 (2008–2012)
- Honduras 10538.0 (2008–2011)
- Nicaragua 10597.0 (2008–2012)

9. Projects for Executive Board Approval

Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following PRROs exceeding the Executive Director's delegated authority:

- Colombia 10588.0
- Uganda 10121.2
- Zimbabwe 10595.0



10. *Reports of the Executive Director on Operational Matters*

- Emergency Operations Approved by the Executive Director or by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 July–31 December 2007)*

The Executive Board will have before it, **for information**, a document summarizing emergency operations approved by the Executive Director, or the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO, under the authority delegated in the Appendix to the General Rules.

11. *Organizational and Procedural Matters*

- Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2008–2009)*

Further to a request by the Board at its Third Regular Session in 2004, an updated version of the Biennial Programme of Work (2008–2009) is presented **for information**.

12. *Administrative and Managerial Matters*

- Reports by the Joint Inspection Unit Relevant to the Work of WFP

The Board, by its decision 2002/EB.2/17, recommended that the Joint Inspection Unit (JIU) reports submitted annually by the Secretariat to the Board should comprise the following items:

- (i) WFP comments on the JIU reports relevant to the work of WFP received between the submission of the last Board document and 1 October 2007;
- (ii) a list of JIU reports issued since the last reporting period; and
- (iii) the status of WFP's implementation of previously approved or accepted recommendations.

In accordance with the practice of the Boards of other Funds and Programmes, the Secretariat presents to the Board each year at the First Regular Session a summary report containing the items listed above **for consideration**.

13. *Summary of the Work of the Second Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2007*

In accordance with the Board's decision at its Second Regular Session in 1996 on its methods of work, the Summary of the Work of the Second Regular Session of 2007 is submitted **for endorsement**.

14. *Other Business*

- Oral Report of the Joint Meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP*

A report on the joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP, which is to take place on 25 and 28 January 2008, will be presented orally to the Board **for information**.

* In accordance with the Board's decisions on governance approved at the 2000 Annual and Third Regular Sessions, items for information should not be discussed unless a Board member specifically requests it well in advance of the meeting and the President accepts the request on the grounds that it is a proper use of the Board's time.



15. *Verification of Adopted Decisions and Recommendations*

- Decisions and Recommendations of the First Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2008

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