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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 Second Regular Session in 2006. During the session, the Board may, by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting, amend by deletion, addition or modification of any time.

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*

Under this item, the Executive Director will provide, **for consideration**, an oral presentation on issues facing WFP.

4. *Policy Issues*

a) Ending Child Hunger and Undernutrition Initiative: Global Framework for Action

At its Second Regular Session in 2005, the Board took note of the concept note on the child hunger initiative, welcomed its objective and requested a discussion on the proposed plan of action before operational action was initiated by WFP. This paper, **for consideration**, presents a strategic framework for multi-partner action developed by three inter-agency technical working groups led by WFP and UNICEF, with technical inputs from the World Bank, the United Nations Standing Committee on Nutrition, the Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition and others. It will be the basis for WFP's operational follow-up and further development of the initiative.

b) Strengthening Emergency Needs Assessments: Second Progress Report on the Implementation Plan*

At its Third Regular Session in 2004, the Board took note of the proposed 30-month implementation plan for strengthening WFP's emergency needs preparedness. This document provides an overview of progress and achievements of the implementation plan and describes the next steps for the transition period that will result in the mainstreaming of core activities into WFP regular functions in 2008–2009. This document is submitted to the Board **for information**.

c) Annual Update on School Feeding*

At its Third Regular Session in 2004, the Board requested to be kept informed each year at its Second Regular Session on the status of WFP school feeding activities. This annual update is submitted to the Board **for information**.

d) Report on WFP's Strategic Partnerships in Economic Analysis*

At its Annual Session in 2006, the Board requested the Secretariat to submit a report on the details of WFP's strategic partnerships. The purpose of this document, which is submitted **for information**, is to provide details on WFP's current cooperation with partners in carrying out economic analysis and scope for intensification.



e) Update of the Consolidated Framework of WFP Policies*

At its Annual Session in 2000, the Executive Board approved the recommendations contained in the Report on the Working Group on Governance (decision 2000/EB.A/6). Governance recommendation (d) established that WFP policy statements should be codified in a compendium. The “Consolidated Framework of WFP Policies” was first submitted to the Board at its Annual Session in 2002. A hard copy of the update of the Consolidated Framework is submitted to the Board **for information**. (An electronic update is available at the WFP website www.wfp.org.)

f) Review of the Country Programme Approval Process*

This paper, **for information**, will provide an update on the discussions in the Second Regular Sessions of the UNDP, UNFPA and UNICEF Boards, on the country programme approval process and its relevance to WFP.

5. *Resource, Financial And Budgetary Matters*

a) Third Progress Report on the Implementation of International Public Sector Accounting Standards

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, a progress report document on the transition to international accounting standards including, where necessary, proposed amendments to General Regulations, Rules and Financial Regulations.

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

b) Procedures for the Re-Appointment 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 re-appointment of the External Auditor. The proposed changes are submitted by the Bureau to the Board **for its approval**.

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

c) Report of the WFP External Auditor on Treasury Management - **withdrawn**

To assist focus on the key priorities agreed by the Board, the External Auditor has selected areas which are of high importance in terms of their significance to the efficient and effective operation of WFP and the scale of resources devoted to them. The present report focuses on treasury management matters and is submitted **for consideration**.

d) Progress Report on Implementation of the External Auditor Recommendations on 2004–2005 Operations

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

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



e) Programme of Work of the External Auditor for the Biennium 2006-2007*

This paper is submitted **for information** to provide the Board with an overview of the External Auditor's planning for the audit of WFP's statements and activities for the biennium 2006-2007.

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

f) Progress Report on the WINGS II Project and Funding Approach*

This paper is submitted to the Board as an information note about the WINGS II project, its cost and funding"

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

g) Update on the WFP Management Plan (2006-2007)*

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a report on the implementation of the Management Plan for 2006-2007.

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

h) Status of Implementation of the Business Process Review Model*

At its Annual Session in 2006, the Board authorized the Secretariat to extend the Business Process Review (BPR) model to those country offices that had implemented the business building blocks to support the BPR system and which had the capacity to benefit from it. This document, which is submitted **for information**, provides information on the implementation modalities and timeframe of the new business model, on support to country offices after the roll-out as well as on projects which have benefited from the Working Capital Facility.

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

i) Report on Changes in WFP's Investment Policy*

This document is submitted in response to a request by the Board at its 2006 Annual Session for information about the changes in WFP's investment policy. It describes the cash and investment management strategies and the main elements of the new investment policy for WFP's short-term investment portfolio. The report is submitted **for information**.

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

6. *Evaluation Reports*

a) Summary Report of the Evaluation of Central America PRRO 10212.0

The evaluation took place between November 2004 and November 2005 including a preparatory mission in November 2004 and a four-week field mission to all four countries included in the PRRO in April 2005. The evaluation assesses progress towards results with the purpose of contributing to the design of the next phase of the PRRO, particularly with regard to nutrition interventions and food-for-work activities. This report is submitted **for consideration**.



b) Summary Report of the Evaluation of PRRO Tajikistan 10231.0

The report synthesizes the findings of an independent evaluation of PRRO Tajikistan 10231.0, commissioned by the Office of Evaluation following a request by the country office. Its purpose was to assess the relevance, effectiveness, efficiency and sustainability of the PRRO, with a focus on the role of WFP and food aid in Tajikistan to inform a strategic discussion on the future shape of WFP's programme in the face of declining resources. This Report is submitted **for consideration**.

c) Tsunami Evaluation: Synthesis Report*

At the Board's Second Regular Session in 2005, delegates agreed to a proposal from the Office of Evaluation that an information paper should be presented to the Second Regular Session of 2006 on the main findings of the five thematic evaluations being managed by the Tsunami Evaluation Coalition (TEC) on coordination, needs assessment, local capacities, linking relief, rehabilitation and development (LRRD) and the funding response. This report is submitted **for information**.

d) Information Note on the Inter-Agency Real-Time Evaluation of the Application of the Inter-Agency Standing Committee Cluster Approach in the South Asia Earthquake*

The document, submitted **for information**, summarizes the main findings of the Inter-Agency Real-Time Evaluation of the Application of the IACS Cluster Approach in the South Asia Earthquake. It also contains eight key actions which were recommended by the evaluation team and endorsed by the IASC Principals in April 2006.

Operational Matters

7. *Draft Country Programmes*

The following draft country programmes are therefore submitted to the Board **for consideration**:

- Senegal 10451.0 (2007–2011)
- Zambia 10447.0 (2007–2010)

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

- Bangladesh 10410.0 (2007–2010)
- Chad 10478.0 (2007–2010)
- Egypt 10450.0 (2007–2011)
- Ethiopia 10430.0 (2007–2011)
- Guinea 10453.0 (2007–2011)
- Mozambique 10466.0 (2007–2009)
- United Republic of Tanzania 10437.0 (2007–2010)
- Yemen 10435.0 (2007–2011)



9. *Projects for Executive Board Approval*

a) Protracted relief and recovery operations (PRROs)

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

- Burundi 10528.0
- Myanmar 10066.3
- United Republic of Tanzania 10529.0

b) Budget increases to PRROs

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, a budget increase to the following PRRO:

- Southern Africa 10310.0

10. *Operational Reports*

➤ Ethiopia Drought Insurance Updates and 2007 Weather Risk Management Workplan

As requested by the Board at its Annual Session in 2006, this document, submitted **for approval**, provides an update on the Ethiopia Drought Insurance Project, including the design by WFP and the Government of Ethiopia's Food Security Bureau of an implementation rulebook to regulate transfers to beneficiaries in case of an insurance payout; it also presents a weather risk financing work plan and budget for 2007.

➤ Report on the Follow-Up to the Evaluation of the WFP Response to the Crisis in Niger in 2005*

At its 2006 Annual Session, the Board invited the Secretariat to report on follow-up to the recommendations of the evaluation of WFP's response to the Niger crisis in 2005, including suggestions for preventing similar crises in the Sahel. This document, submitted **for information**, outlines the measures WFP has already taken and those it proposes to take if sufficient resources are available.

11. *Reports of the Executive Director on Operational Matters (1 January–30 June 2006)*

a) Budget Increases to Development Projects Approved by the Executive Director*

The Executive Board will have before it, **for information**, a document summarizing budget increases to development activities approved by the Executive Director within his delegated authority.

b) PRROs Approved by the Executive Director*

The Executive Board will have before it, **for information**, a summary of the following PRROs approved by the Executive Director within his delegated authority:

- Azerbaijan 10168.1
- Madagascar 10442.0
- Mali 10452.0
- Niger 10509.0

c) Budget Increases to PRROs Approved by the Executive Director*

The Executive Board will have before it, **for information**, a document summarizing budget increases to PRROs approved by the Executive Director within his delegated authority.



- d) Emergency Operations Approved by the Executive Director or Jointly by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 January – 30 June 2006)*

The Board will have before it **for information** a summary of EMOPs approved by the Executive Director or the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO, under the authority delegated in subparagraph (b) of the appendix to the General Rules.

12. *Organizational and Procedural Matters*

- Biennial Programme of Work (2007–2008) of the Executive Board

Pursuant to Rule III of the Rules of Procedure, the Board will have before it, **for approval**, its Biennial Programme of Work for 2007–2008.

13. *Administrative and Managerial Matters*

- a) Review of the Delegation of Authority to the Executive Director

At its Third Regular Session in 2004, the Board approved an increased delegation of authority to the Executive Director to US\$20 million (food value) for PRROs and budget revisions to PRROs; the re-establishment of a mechanism for Board approval by correspondence; the elimination of the 10 percent food value ceiling for budget revision approval and the delegation to the Executive Director to approve all special operations. At its Second Regular Session in 2005, the Board also approved (i) the abolition of the 10 percent limit on reallocation of resources between country programme (CP) components, (ii) the inclusion of changes in orientation of CP components in the budget revision procedure under the delegated authority of the Executive Director and (iii) approval for receiving and programming additional directed resources to CPs, and requested that such delegation of authority be reviewed after two years of implementation at the Second Regular Session of the Board in 2006 to determine whether this procedure would be continued. This document, which contains an analysis of the situation over the past two years and a recommendation to the Board, is submitted **for approval**.

- b) Comprehensive Human Resources Review

At its First Regular Session in 2004 and during discussions on the WFP Policy on Staff Recruitment and Geographical Representation of Member States, the Board was informed about WFP methodology in establishing appropriate representation among international professional staff, and requested (decision 2004/EB.1/3) that its opinions be taken into account in the context of a human resources management review. The Comprehensive Human Resources Review, which also includes recruiting and hiring policies, will be presented to the Board **for information**.

14. *Summary of the Work of the Annual Session of the Executive Board, 2006*

In accordance with the Board's decision at its Second Regular Session in 1996 on its methods of work, the Summary of Work of the Annual Session of 2006 is submitted **for endorsement**.



15. *Other Business*

- Report on the Joint Field Visit of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP to Indonesia*

A report on the joint visit of the Executive Board members of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP to Indonesia in March 2006 is presented to the Board **for information**.

16. *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.

* 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.