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- 1. At the Third Regular Session of the Executive Board in October 2001, members requested that the Board be regularly informed of emergency operations (EMOPs) approved either under the delegated authority of the Executive Director when the value of the committed food was below US\$3 million, or jointly by the Executive Director and the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) when the food value was above US\$3 million.
- 2. The first such report is being provided at the Second Regular Session of 2002, reflecting the previous year.
- 3. In future, this information will be provided twice a year to Executive Board members. At the First Regular Session of the Board in February each year, a report will be provided covering the period July to December of the previous year. At the Board's Third Regular Session in October, a report will be provided for the period January to June of that year.
- 4. To inform Executive Board members without duplicating information already provided through other sources, this report will regularly include the list of approved emergency operations with the main project statistics and a brief overview of figures and developments. More detailed, country-specific information will not be provided, because it is already shared with Board members through the Yellow Pages document issued at each Board session.
- 5. In 2001, 41 EMOPs were approved, benefiting more than 28.8 million vulnerable people in urgent need of food aid. Among these operations, 16 EMOPs were approved jointly by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO; 25 operations were approved under the delegated authority of the Executive Director, including 13 immediate-response EMOPs locally approved by Country Directors under the authority delegated to them by the Executive Director. These 41 operations represented a commitment of almost 2.5 million tons of food, with a food cost of US\$452.5 million and an overall cost to WFP of over US\$1.1 billion.
- 6. The Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO jointly approved 16 emergency operations with a value of committed food of over US\$3 million: Afghanistan (three operations), the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Palestinian Territory, Ethiopia, Eritrea (two operations), Sudan, Kenya, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Chad and El Salvador. The food value of these EMOPs was almost US\$434 million, representing a commitment of over 2.4 million tons of food. The cost to WFP of these operations, including transport and support, was over US\$1 billion, representing 97 percent of the value of EMOPs approved.
- 7. The Executive Director approved, by delegated authority, 12 emergency operations with a food value below US\$3 million: India, Bolivia, Peru, Namibia, Zambia, Central African Republic, Gabon, Malawi, Niger, Djibouti, Senegal and Cameroon. The food value of these EMOPs was just over US\$17 million, representing a commitment of approximately 64,700 tons of food. The cost to WFP of these operations was US\$31.77 million.



- 8. WFP Country Directors used the authority delegated to them by the Executive Director to approve immediate-response EMOPs with an overall cost of up to US\$200,000, which were funded through the Immediate Response Account (IRA). In 2001, 13 such operations were approved: India, Algeria, El Salvador, Ecuador (two operations), Peru, Belize, Cuba, Malawi, Niger, Gambia, Central African Republic and Cameroon. The food value of these projects was US\$1.5 million, representing a commitment of approximately 1,400 tons of food. The cost to WFP of these operations was US\$2.17 million.
- 9. EMOPs approved in 2001 are listed in the tables below according to their approval level. Of the 41 emergency operations approved, 22 were in Africa, 9 in Latin America, 6 in the Middle East and Central Asia and 4 in other parts of Asia. Africa remains the region with the highest number of emergency operations; the largest requirements are in eastern and southern Africa.
- Requirements for emergency operations in seven countries represented over 90 percent of emergency needs in 2001. The main emergency operations included the three consecutive EMOPs for Afghanistan, representing 35 percent of emergency needs, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, 19.5 percent; Sudan, 9.7 percent; Ethiopia, 8.1 percent; the two EMOPs for Eritrea, 7 percent; Kenya, 5.5 percent; and Zimbabwe, 5.4 percent.



EMOPS APPROVED JOINTLY BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF FAO DURING THE PERIOD JANUARY-DECEMBER 2001

Region/Country	No.	Operation title	Beneficiaries	Total WFP food commitment (tons)	Total WFP cost (US\$)	WFP food cost (US\$)	Approval date	Days (orig- inal)
ASIA								
Sri Lanka	10119.0	Food assistance to drought victims in Sri Lanka	300 000	22 680	8 183 795	5 498 004	11.10.2001	180
Korea	10141.0	Emergency assistance for vulnerable groups	6 400 000	611 202	215 847 993	134 942 584	19.11.2001	365
MIDDLE EAST AND	CENTRAL ASIA	A Contraction of the second						
Afghanistan	10046.0	Food assistance to drought victims	(3 808 000)	176 936	76 636 190	24 405 411	27.02.2001	365
Palestinian Territory	10072.0	Emergency assistance to victims of civil strife in the Palestinian Territory	267 500	27 606	11 488 993	7 041 135	24.07.2001	180
Afghanistan	10098.0	Food assistance to drought victims	(5 566 000)	366 298	150 714 274	53 053 434	23.08.2001	365
Pakistan	10043.1	Food assistance to refugees from Afghanistan	117 000	19 909	6 773 166	3 496 855	11.09.2001	300
Afghanistan	10126.0	Food assistance to refugees and vulnerable populations in Afghanistan	7 500 000	332 914	160 622 358	51 892 787	04.10.2001	180
LATIN AMERICA								
El Salvador	10022.0	Food assistance to earthquake victims	200 000	19 440	9 940 857	5 069 700	29.01.2001	180
AFRICA								
Chad	10026.0	Emergency food assistance to drought-affected populations	375 000	27 000	18 522 435	8 100 000	26.02.2001	180
Ethiopia	10030.0	Food assistance to drought victims	2 500 000	206 202	89 736 634	28 916 350	22.03.2001	300
Sudan	10048.0	Food assistance to population affected by war and drought	2 970 000	116 918	107 831 716	25 102 578	11.04.2001	365
Eritrea	10049.0	Food assistance to drought victims	738 450	90 869	32 969 041	14 868 460	25.04.2001	300
Eritrea	10052.0	Food assistance to victims of war	1 048 404	102 527	43 988 111	20 508 638	10.05.2001	300
Kenya	10085.0	Food assistance to drought affected people in Kenya	3 161 777	124 313	61 072 204	18 302 160	01.08.2001	240
Zambia	10120.0	Emergency food assistance to flood and drought affected populations	1 288 590	42 640	18 949 901	8 739 616	11.11.2001	120
Zimbabwe	10140.0	Food assistance to rural victims of drought, floods and economic crises	558 000	116 651	60 291 088	24 005 924	26.11.2001	365
Total (a)			27 424 721	2 404 105	1 073 568 756	33 943 636		

Note: To avoid double-counting, the beneficiaries' total does not include beneficiaries under EMOP 10046.0 or EMOP 10098.0, as they are already counted under EMOP 10126.0.

Information extracted from signed official document.

EMOPS APPROVED UNDER THE DELEGATED AUTHORITY OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DURING THE PERIOD JANUARY-DECEMBER 2001

Re	egion/Country	No.	Operation title	Beneficiaries	Total WFP food commitment (tons)	Total WFP cost (US\$)	WFP food cost (US\$)	Approval date	Days (original)
	ASIA								
	India	10023.0	Assistance to earthquake victims in Gujarat	298 000	8 079	4 157 579	2 788 380	02.02.2001	120
I	LATIN AMERICA								
	Bolivia	10033.0	Emergency food assistance to flood- and drought-affected population	94 320	4 920	1 937 990	882 700	16.02.2001	365
	Peru	10102.0	Assistance to earthquake victims in Peru	30 000	3 807	828 459	494 910	31.08.2001	90
	AFRICA								
	Namibia	10042.0	Assistance to Angolan refugees in Namibia	19 500	3 886	1 366 092	612 715	13.02.2001	330
	Zambia	10047.0	Food assistance to refugees from Angola and Democratic Rep. of Congo	38 000	6 302	2 636 205	1 173 440	13.02.2001	270
	Central African Republic	10038.0	Food assistance to Congolese refugees	10 000	954	632 036	295 065	20.02.2001	180
*	Gabon	10050.0	Food assistance to Congolese refugees	12 000	951	620 186	192 420	10.03.2001	180
	Malawi	10056.0	Assistance to flood victims in Malawi	208 500	8 822	3 271 374	1 978 020	29.03.2001	90
all'	Niger	10068.0	Emergency food assistance to drought-affected populations	206 994	7 162	4 896 998	2 523 600	20.06.2001	90
	Djibouti	10099.0	Relief food assistance to victims of drought	95 900	11 366	6 501 479	2 999 816	06.08.2001	210
	Senegal	10077.0	Emergency food assistance to conflict-affected populations	123 900	3 759	2 720 333	1 734 550	23.08.2001	180
	Cameroon	10101.0	Food assistance to drought victims in North Cameroon	193 500	4 643	2 205 559	1 346 470	27.08.2001	60
	Total (b)			1 330 614	64 651	31 774 290	17 022 086		

Information extracted from signed official document.

Region/Country	No.	Operation Title	Beneficiaries	Total WFP food commitment (tons)	Total WFP cost (US\$)	WFP food cost (US\$)	Approval date	Days (original)
ASIA								
India	10025.0	Assistance to earthquake victims in Gujarat	(100 000)	300	199 969	166 5002	29.01.2001	15
MIDDLE EAST AND CEN	TRAL .ASIA							
Algeria	10144.0	Immediate response operation for displacement of flood victims	12 500	428	33 251	112 6852	29.11.2001	60
LATIN AMERICA								
El Salvador	10028.0	Immediate response operation for earthquake in El Salvador	(50 000)	525	199 304	186 1261	5.01.2001	21
Ecuador	10089.0	Immediate response operation of severe flooding in Ecuador	8 280	269	199 775	159 3201	4.06.2001	60
Peru	10096.0	Immediate response operation for earthquake in Peru	(20 000)	339	192 100	169 20 2	29.06.2001	30
Ecuador	10114.0	Immediate response operation for victims of volcanic eruption	10 750	350	183 920	162 9202	22.08.2001	60
Belize	10136.0	Immediate response operation for victims of hurricane	4 000	191	127 272	77 4631	8.10.2001	90
Cuba	10143.0	Immediate response operation for victims of hurricane Michelle	24 770	499	199 779	175 6641	2.11.2001	90
AFRICA								
Malawi	10040.0	Immediate response operation for flood victims	(11 773)	561	176 851	111 5252	27.02.2001	21
Niger	10063.0	Immediate response operation for assistance to drought affected population	(7 170)	430	199 721	137 6000	03.05.2001	30
Gambia	10073.0	Immediate response operation for assistance to refugees from North Senegal	6 000	279	118 141	81 6243	31.05.2001	90
Central African Republic	10095.0	Immediate response operation for assistance to refugees in Bangui	(45 000)	319	195 688	109 7002	26.06.2001	30
Cameroon	10104.0	Food assistance for Limbe flood victims	(5 000)	100	48 079	36 500 1	19.07.2001	30
Total (c)			66 300	1 338	2 173 850 1	E44 400		

Note: To avoid double-counting, the beneficiaries' total does not include beneficiaries of IRA EMOPs who received further assistance under an EMOP approved by the Executive Director or jointly by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO.

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ANNEX II

GRAND TOTAL FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY-DECEMBER 2001								
	Beneficiaries	Total WFP food commitment (tons)	Total WFP cost (US\$)	WFP food cost (US\$)				
Total (a)	27 424 721	2 404 105	1 073 568 756	433 943 636				
Total (b)	1 330 614	64 651	31 774 290	17 022 086				
Total (c)	66 300	1 338	2 173 850	1 511 163				
GRAND TOTAL	28 821 635	2 470 094	1 107 516 896	452 476 885				
