

Executive Board First Regular Session

Rome, 13 - 16 February 2001

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Agenda item 1

For approval



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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 Annotated Provisional Agenda of the First Regular Session of 2001. 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 of the Bureau (collectively designated as the Bureau), who shall hold office until their successors are elected. Each member 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 wish to appoint a Rapporteur from among the representatives.

3. *Current and future strategic issues.* Under this item, the Executive Director will provide an oral presentation on strategic issues facing the Programme.

4. Policy issues

a) School Feeding Initiative

Following the Board's request at its Third Regular Session of 2000, that it be kept regularly informed on the School Feeding Initiative, the Board will have before it, **for information**, a progress report on the Initiative (WFP/EB.1/2001/4-B).

b) <u>Governance: Guidelines for the Meetings of the Executive Board of the World Food</u> <u>Programme</u>

In early 1999, the Executive Board launched an initiative to strengthen the governance of WFP. The Board's Working Group on Governance submitted its conclusions and recommendations to the Executive Board at its Annual Session in May 2000.

The Executive Board approved the following recommendation of the Working Group: "Guidance notes on meetings should be developed for Board Members and Observers, Chairpersons and the Secretariat".

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, a set of "Guidelines for the Meetings of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme" (WFP/EB.1/2001/4-C). The paper was developed by a group of consultants under the authority of the Vice-President on behalf of the Bureau. It is based on suggestions made to the consultants during 1999–2000.



5. Financial and budgetary matters

a) Strengthening the Management Capacity of the World Food Programme

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, a request to authorize the establishment of one additional Assistant Secretary-General (ASG) level post (WFP/EB.1/2001/5-A). Approval of this post was deferred by the Board at its Third Regular Session of 2000. In addition, the document provides, for information purposes, WFP's response to the issues raised by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) in its report on document WFP/EB.3/2000/4-D/1.

- b) Evaluation Panel for the Selection and Appointment of the WFP External Auditor. The Board will have before it, for consideration and approval, a paper outlining the recommendation to designate formally the elected Bureau for the year 2000, with its current composition, as the Evaluation Panel for the evaluation and short-listing of proposals (WFP/EB.1/2001/5-C). If approved by the Board, this Evaluation Panel will continue its work in 2001, and will recommend to the Board, at its Third Regular Session of 2001, a candidate for appointment as the External Auditor of WFP for the period 2002–2005.
- 6. *Evaluation reports*. Evaluation documents submitted under this item are presented to the Board **for consideration**. The Board is requested to note the reports and the Secretariat's plan to integrate the recommendations and lessons together with the comments of the Board into the future work of the Programme. These evaluation reports will be considered in parallel with the Country Strategy Outlines for these countries.
 - ♦ Country Programme Senegal (1999–2001)
 - ♦ Country Programme Yemen (1998–2001)

Operational matters

- 7. *Country Strategy Outlines*. The Executive Board's views are invited on the following documents, submitted **for consideration**:
 - ♦ Bhutan
 - ♦ Nicaragua
 - ♦ Senegal
 - ♦ Yemen
- 8. *Country Programmes.* The Executive Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following Country Programmes:
 - ♦ China (2001–2005)
 - ♦ Guinea (2002–2005)

9. Projects for Executive Board approval

- a) <u>Development projects</u>. The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following development project exceeding the Executive Director's delegated authority:
 - ♦ Cuba 6258.00
- b) <u>Budget increases to development projects</u>. The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following budget increase to a development project exceeding the Executive Director's delegated authority:



- ♦ Bhutan 3734.02
- c) <u>Protracted relief and recovery operations</u>. The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following protracted relief and recovery operations exceeding the Executive Director's delegated authority:
 - ♦ Angola 6159.01
 - ♦ Nepal 6151.01
 - ♦ Great Lakes Region 6077.01
- 10. Summary of the Work of the Third Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2000. In accordance with the Executive Board's decision at its Second Regular Session of 1996 on its methods of work, the Summary of the Work of the Third Regular Session of 2000 will be submitted for endorsement.
- 11. *Other business*. Representatives and the Executive Director may wish to raise further matters of interest of the Executive Board.
- 12. *Verification of adopted decisions and recommendations.* The Executive Board will have before it a draft document containing all decisions and/or recommendations taken at its current session, for verification of their accuracy.

