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UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING BALANCE OF COMMITMENTS



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INFORMATION NOTE

The following table updates the last Information Note on the outstanding balance of commitments (OBC)¹ for ongoing development activities (document WFP/EB.3/99/INF/7):

DEVELOPMENT PORTFOLIO: OBC ANALYSIS

		Thousand metric tons
a)	Crude ¹ OBC as at 31.12.1999	1 670
b)	Expected ² deliveries in 2000	-830
c)	New commitments approved since 1.1.2000	1
d)	Projects/Country Programmes for approval at EB.1/2000	80
e)	Potential for additional commitments in 2000	1 162
f)	Expected crude OBC at 31.12.2000	2 083
g)	Estimated adjustment for the delivery performance ratio (DPR) ³	208
h)	Estimated adjusted balance as at 31.12.2000	1 875
i)	Target OBC as at 31.12.2000	1 875

¹ "Crude" OBC represents the total outstanding balance of commitments. When adjusted for the delivery performance ratio (DPR—defined in footnote 3), it becomes a "net" OBC.

² Corresponds to the estimated level of resources available for delivery in 2000.

³ An empirical adjustment factor defined as the ratio of final deliveries over total approved commitments. Globally, the DPR is currently estimated at 90 percent.

2. To be in line with the target OBC, established at 1,875 thousand metric tons (i.e. 2.5 times the estimated availability of 750,000 metric tons), a total of 1,243 thousand metric tons could be approved in 2000. An additional expected commitment of 1,162,000 tons (see e) above) may be added during 2000.



¹ Indicates the volume of approved commitments for ongoing projects/programmes that remains to be resourced.