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Limited emergency operations and immediate response activities approved by the Executive Director or by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 January–30 June 2019)

1. At its 2001 third regular session, the Board asked to be regularly informed about emergency operations approved by the Executive Director or approved jointly by the Executive Director and the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). Since the second regular session of 2002 this information has been provided twice a year.
2. In line with the new Integrated Road Map framework, this report covers limited emergency operations and immediate response activities approved between 1 January and 30 June 2019. The table below lists two limited emergency operations approved by the Executive Director during the period under review. There were no limited emergency operations approved jointly by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO during the period, nor were there any immediate response activities approved by the Deputy Executive Director under authority delegated by the Executive Director.
3. The total approved value of the two limited emergency operations approved by the Executive Director is USD 59.1 million, and the total number of beneficiaries assisted is 898,000.

Limited emergency operations approved by the Executive Director

4. **Latin America – Multi-country limited emergency operation for Latin American countries affected by the situation in Venezuela (1 March 2019–31 August 2019)** responds to a deteriorating situation in Venezuela which triggered the migration of large numbers of people into several other Latin American countries. The primary drivers of the migration include hyperinflation and lack of access to food, employment opportunities, medicines and functioning health services. Since the beginning of the crisis, 3 million people have left Venezuela in search of livelihood opportunities, with Colombia, Ecuador and Peru hosting 80 percent of these migrants. The latest survey on living conditions in Venezuela indicates that 87 percent of the population is living below the poverty line, mainly because of hyperinflation, and 80 percent is food-insecure. Large numbers of migrants who have crossed the borders into neighbouring countries lack legal status in their host countries, which severely undermines their ability to obtain

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work permits, send their children to school and obtain access to social services, while increasing their vulnerability to exploitation and abuse. Mass migration continues to place significant pressures on service provision, institutions, labour markets and social dynamics in host communities. In line with the United Nations Regional Response Plan for Refugees and Migrants from Venezuela, the operation aims to support affected people through food distributions, activities for the prevention of malnutrition, specialized nutrition support for children under 5, and the provision of common services for logistics, emergency telecommunications and food security coordination among humanitarian partners. The operation delivers assistance to 713,000 beneficiaries with 34,398 mt of food at a total cost of USD 49.9 million.

5. **Comoros limited emergency operation (8 May 2019–7 November 2019)** delivers emergency assistance to people affected by category 3 Cyclone Kenneth, which struck Comoros on 25 April 2019 causing severe destruction to homes, infrastructure and productive assets. Preliminary assessments carried out jointly by the national directorate of civil security and the United Nations country team reported that 390,000 people in the Grande Comore and Anjouan have been affected and are in need of immediate humanitarian assistance. In addition, more than 12,000 people are estimated to have been displaced and more than 11,400 homes have been completely or partially destroyed. WFP's immediate relief efforts focus on distributing food to shock-affected people to cover their basic food needs. Where possible, targeting criteria will take into account the findings of gender and age analyses and any disparities among women, men, boys and girls in terms of nutrition and food security. Technical assistance will be provided to national disaster management agencies and local partners for strengthening their emergency preparedness and response capacities, including in logistics coordination, supply chain management and food security analysis. The operation supports 185,000 beneficiaries with 9,149 mt of food at a total cost of USD 9.1 million.

LIMITED EMERGENCY OPERATIONS APPROVED DURING THE PERIOD FROM 1 JANUARY TO 30 JUNE 2019										
Approving authority	Project number	Regional bureau	Recipient	Project title	Tonnage (mt)	Food cost* (USD)	Total cost (USD)	Beneficiaries	Approval date	Original duration (days)
Executive Director	-	Latin America and the Caribbean	Latin American countries	Multi-country limited emergency operation for Latin American countries affected by the situation in Venezuela	34 398	17 852 228	49 986 831	713 000	4 April 2019	131
Executive Director	-	Southern Africa	Comoros	Comoros limited emergency operation	9 149	6 158 248	9 146 164	185 000	30 May 2019	132
Total					43 547	24 010 476	59 132 995	898 000		

* Includes food costs and cash-based transfer value.