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## Annotated provisional agenda

### 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 agenda of the 2021 second regular session. 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 to fill vacant positions in the Bureau and appointment of the Rapporteur*

The Board shall elect Bureau members to replace representatives who have left the Bureau. 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 make an oral presentation to the Board on current and future strategic issues facing WFP. This will be followed by remarks from special and high-level guests and an interactive question and answer virtual segment.

### 4. *Policy issues*

#### a) WFP strategic plan (2022–2026)

Building on the findings from the mid-term review of the strategic plan (2017–2021), the WFP strategic plan (2022–2026) will enable WFP to articulate its contribution to achieving relevant goals, targets and indicators of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The new strategic plan will also take into account opportunities and address emerging challenges based on lessons learned from policy, programme and operation evaluations and assessments, and consultations with the Board and other stakeholders. This item is presented to the Board **for approval**.

#### b) Update on collaboration among the Rome-based agencies\*

At its second regular session in 2010, the Board asked the Secretariat to report annually on Rome-based agency collaboration as a follow-up to the document entitled "Directions for collaboration among the Rome-based agencies" (WFP/EB.2/2009/11-C).

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\* To be discussed at the session.

The report provides a comprehensive overview on the collaboration, along with any new areas of collaboration, initiatives and partnerships for food and nutrition security. The update will be presented **for information**.

- c) Update on WFP's implementation of United Nations General Assembly resolution 72/279 (repositioning the United Nations development system)\*

The Secretariat will update the Board on the implementation of United Nations General Assembly resolution 72/279, on repositioning the United Nations development system to deliver on the 2030 Agenda. The update will be presented **for information**.

## 5. **Resource, financial and budgetary matters**

- a) WFP management plan (2022–2024)

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the management plan for the period 2022–2024, including WFP's budget for 2022.

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

- b) Appointment of the WFP External Auditor for the term 1 July 2022–30 June 2028

This paper will present to the Board, **for approval**, the recommendation of the evaluation panel for the appointment of the External Auditor of WFP for the term 1 July 2022–30 June 2028.

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

- c) Workplan of the External Auditor

This document presents the workplan of the External Auditor, detailing the audit activities for the period 2021–2022. Adherence to international standards on auditing and proven audit methods will form the basis of the External Auditor's assurance of providing high-quality services to WFP. The workplan covers financial, performance and compliance audits as well as quality reviews and individual audit assessments. This item is presented **for information**.

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

- d) Revised WFP Financial Rules

As a result of the final stage of implementation of the Integrated Road Map and in line with its Financial Regulation 2.2, the Secretariat will present to the Board **for information** the revised financial rules established by the Executive Director.

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 on the evaluation of the WFP South–South and triangular cooperation policy and management response

In line with the agreement that WFP policies be evaluated between four and six years following approval, this evaluation will assess the quality of the policy on South–South and triangular cooperation approved by the Board at its 2015 annual session, its implementation arrangements and results. This item is presented **for consideration**.

- b) Summary report on the joint evaluation of United Nations Rome-based agency collaboration and coordinated response

The evaluation will assess Rome-based agency (RBA) collaboration at global, regional and country levels as well as a range of activities from strategies and normative work, to programmes, operations, administration, communications, advocacy and joint platforms. It will present evidence and formulate recommendations towards enhancing RBA collaboration with greater efficiency and effectiveness to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals. This item is presented **for consideration**.

- c) Summary report on the evaluation of the country strategic plan for China (2017–2021) and management response

The Board will have before it, **for consideration**, a summary report on the evaluation of the country strategic plan for China (2017–2021). The report provides an analysis and assessment of all WFP activities conducted under the country strategic plan, evaluates performance and results and provides evaluative insights as a basis for evidence-based decisions about WFP positioning, strategic partnerships and programme design and implementation. The evaluation findings and recommendations will inform the country office's future strategic plans and programme implementation. The Board will also have before it management's response to the analysis and recommendations in the evaluation report.

- d) Summary report on the evaluation of the country strategic plan for the Gambia (2019–2021) and management response

The Board will have before it, **for consideration**, a summary report on the evaluation of the country strategic plan for the Gambia (2019–2021). The report provides an analysis and assessment of all WFP activities conducted under the country strategic plan, evaluates performance and results and provides evaluative insights as a basis for evidence-based decisions about WFP positioning, strategic partnerships and programme design and implementation. The evaluation findings and recommendations will inform the country office's future strategic plans and programme implementation. The Board will also have before it management's response to the analysis and recommendations in the evaluation report.

- e) Summary report on the evaluation of the country strategic plan for the Lao People's Democratic Republic (2017–2021) and management response

The Board will have before it, **for consideration**, a summary report on the evaluation of the country strategic plan for the Lao People's Democratic Republic (2017–2021). The report provides an analysis and assessment of all WFP activities conducted under the country strategic plan, evaluates performance and results and provides evaluative insights as a basis for evidence-based decisions about WFP positioning, strategic partnerships and programme design and implementation. The evaluation findings and recommendations will inform the country office's future strategic plans and programme implementation. The Board will also have before it management's response to the analysis and recommendations in the evaluation report.

- f) Summary report on the evaluation of the country strategic plan for Lebanon (2018–2020) and management response

The Board will have before it, **for consideration**, a summary report on the evaluation of the country strategic plan for Lebanon (2018–2020). The report provides an analysis and assessment of all WFP activities conducted under the country strategic plan, evaluates performance and results and provides evaluative insights as a basis for evidence-based decisions about WFP positioning, strategic partnerships and programme design and implementation. The evaluation findings and

recommendations will inform the country office's future strategic plans and programme implementation. The Board will also have before it management's response to the analysis and recommendations in the evaluation report.

## 7. **Operational matters**

### a) Country strategic plans

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following country strategic plans:

1. Bangladesh (2022–2026)
2. Lao People's Democratic Republic (2022–2026)
3. Somalia (2022–2025)
4. Tunisia (2022–2025)

### b) Interim country strategic plans

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following interim country strategic plan:

1. Syrian Arab Republic (2022–2023)

### c) Reports of the Executive Director on operational matters

1. Revisions of country strategic plans and interim country strategic plans and corresponding budget increases approved by the Executive Director or jointly by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 January–30 June 2021)

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a document summarizing revisions of country strategic plans and interim country strategic plans and corresponding budget increases approved by the Executive Director or jointly by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO within their delegated authority.

## 8. **Organizational and procedural matters**

### a) Biennial programme of work of the Executive Board (2022–2023)

Pursuant to rule III of the rules of procedure, the Board will have before it, **for approval**, its biennial programme of work for 2022–2023.

## 9. **Administrative and managerial matters**

### a) Revised title and terms of reference of the Audit Committee

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the latest changes proposed to the terms of reference of the Audit Committee to address recommendations made by the Joint Inspection Unit.

### b) Establishment of a selection panel for the appointment of Audit Committee members

The Board will appoint five members to serve on a panel that will select Audit Committee members to be appointed in 2022. This item is presented **for approval**.

## 10. **Summary of the work of the 2021 annual session of the Executive Board**

In accordance with the Board's decision at its 1996 second regular session on its methods of work, the summary of work of the 2021 annual session is submitted **for approval**.

## 11. *Other business*

a) Oral global overview on humanitarian needs and operational concerns and priorities\*

As suggested by the Secretariat at the Bureau meeting of 15 January 2021, an oral global overview on humanitarian needs and operational concerns and priorities, including those directly related to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, will be presented to the Board **for information**.

b) Oral update on WFP's implementation of the outcomes of the 2021 United Nations food systems summit\*

As requested by the Secretariat at the Bureau meeting of 10 September 2021, an oral update on WFP's implementation of the outcomes of the United Nations food systems summit, will be presented to the Board **for information**.

c) Report on the joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP, 27 May 2021

A report on the joint meeting of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Office for Project Services, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women and WFP will be presented **for information**.

## 12. *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.