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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 Provisional Annotated Agenda of the Second Regular Session of 2013. 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. Appointment of the Rapporteur

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 provide an oral presentation on strategic issues facing WFP.

4. Policy Issues

a) <u>WFP's Role in Peacebuilding in Transition Settings</u>

The paper, submitted to the Board **for approval**, will outline the parameters for WFP's engagement in peacebuilding activities as part of wider United Nations efforts to transition towards peace in countries emerging from conflict.

b) WFP 2014–2017 Strategic Results Framework

The 2014–2017 Strategic Results Framework (SRF) is a key instrument for operationalizing the Strategic Plan, 2014–2017 by: i) translating the high-level goals and objectives included in the Strategic Plan into actionable results and deliverables; ii) guiding the design of WFP projects during the 2014–2017 period; iii) informing the conduct of country level outcome and output monitoring; and iv) providing a framework for the outcome and output level reporting included in WFP standard project reports and the Annual Performance Report (APR). The SRF is also a core element of WFP's performance management and accountability framework and ensures harmonized approaches to project design, monitoring and reporting across all WFP operations. As such, it will be included within a document that will: a) provide an update of WFP's performance management framework; and b) explain how the framework will support the implementation of the new strategic plan. The document will be submitted **for approval**.

c) <u>Revised School Feeding Policy</u>

At the request of the Board, WFP presents the Revised School Feeding Policy **for approval**. This policy paper delves deeper into WFP's new approach in support of government-led programmes by providing a framework for the transition to sustainability and also presenting areas of innovation in programming. The document increases alignment with the new Strategic Plan (2014–2017), the draft Strategic Results Framework, and the safety net and nutrition policies. It incorporates learning from the corporate evaluation of the 2009 policy, south-south cooperation facilitated by the Centre of Excellence Against Hunger in Brasilia and the first global quantitative review of school feeding. The policy presents revised WFP objectives and provides guidance to country offices on the limitations and trade-offs of WFP's school feeding efforts while also signalling WFP's priorities for the future.



d) <u>Update on Collaboration among the Rome-based Agencies</u>

At the Second Regular Session in November 2010, Board members asked WFP to report annually on Rome-based collaboration as a follow up to the Directions for Collaboration among the Rome-based Agencies (WFP/EB.2/2009/11-C). The report, which is submitted **for consideration**, provides a comprehensive overview on the collaboration as outlined in the Directions paper (policy advice, knowledge and monitoring; operations; advocacy and communication; and administrative collaboration), as well as any new areas of collaboration, initiatives and partnerships for food and nutrition security.

e) <u>Compendium of Policies Relating to the Strategic Plan*</u>

At its Annual Session in 2000, the Executive Board approved the recommendations contained in the Report on the Working Group on Governance (decision 2000/EB.A/6). Governance recommendation (d) established that WFP policy statements should be codified in a compendium. At the Board's request in 2010, this compendium, which is presented annually for information at the Second Regular Session, has been reorganized and redrafted to focus on policies relating to the goals in the Strategic Plan 2014-2017.

5. Resource, Financial and Budgetary Matters

a) <u>WFP Management Plan (2014–2016)</u>

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the Management Plan for the period 2014–2016, including WFP's budget for 2014.

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

b) Work Plan of the External Auditor for the period July 2013 to June 2014*

This document presents the work plan of the External Auditor, detailing the audit activities for the period. 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 work plan covers financial, performance and compliance audits as well as quality reviews and individual audit assessments; it is submitted to the Board **for information**.

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



6. Evaluation Reports

The evaluation documents submitted under this item are **for consideration**. The summaries of actions taken by management to implement the recommendations are presented as addenda to the reports.

a) <u>Summary Report of the Evaluation of the Impact of Food for Assets on</u> <u>Livelihood Resilience in Bangladesh (2008–2011) and Management Response</u>

The evaluation will evaluate the outcomes and impact achieved by food-for-assets programmes on livelihood resilience at household and community levels and draw lessons to inform WFP's future programming.

b) <u>Summary Report of the Evaluation of the Impact of Food for Assets on</u> <u>Livelihood Resilience in Nepal (2002–2010) and Management Response</u>

The evaluation will evaluate the outcomes and impact achieved by food-for-assets programmes on livelihood resilience at household and community levels and draw lessons to inform WFP's future programming.

c) <u>Summary Evaluation Report – The Sudan Country Portfolio (2010–2012) and</u> <u>Management Response</u>

This evaluation covers the WFP portfolio in the Sudan from 2010 to 2012. It examines three key questions: i) the strategic alignment and positioning of the portfolio within the context of Sudan; ii) the factors driving strategic decision-making by WFP; and iii) the performance and results of the portfolio. The evaluation findings and recommendations will assist the country office in defining its future strategies and taking appropriate operational decisions.

d) <u>Summary Evaluation Report – The Congo Country Portfolio (2009–2012) and</u> <u>Management Response</u>

This evaluation will provide an analysis and assessment of the portfolio from 2009 to 2012. It will look at three questions: i) how well WFP is aligned with government policies and partner strategies, and whether WFP has positioned itself strategically within that context; ii) how WFP made strategic choices in the past; and iii) what the operation's performance and results were. The evaluation findings and recommendations will assist the country office in defining its future strategies and taking appropriate operational decisions.

Operational Matters

7. **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:

- ➢ Bhutan 200300
- b) <u>Budget increases to development activities</u>

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following budget increases to development activities exceeding the Executive Director's delegated authority:

- Burundi CP 200119
- ➤ Chad DEV 200288



- ➤ Madagascar CP 103400
- ➢ Mali CP 105830
- c) Protracted relief and recovery operations

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following protracted relief and recovery operations (PRROs) exceeding the Executive Director's delegated authority:

- ➢ Afghanistan 200447
- Central America 200490
- ▶ The Niger 200583
- ➢ South Sudan 200572
- United Republic of Tanzania 200603
- d) Budget increases to PRROs

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following budget increases to PRROs exceeding the Executive Director's delegated authority:

- ➤ Chad 200289
- Ethiopia 200290 (relief)

8. Reports of the Executive Director on Operational Matters

a) <u>Protracted relief and recovery operations approved by the Executive Director</u> (1 January-30 June 2013)*

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a summary of the PRROs approved by the Executive Director within her delegated authority:

- ➢ Islamic Republic of Iran 200310
- ➢ Yemen 200305
- Côte d'Ivoire 200464
- Guinea-Bissau 200526
- ➤ Liberia 200550
- ➢ Mauritania 200474
- b) <u>Budget Increases to Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations Approved by the</u> <u>Executive Director (1 January–30 June 2013)</u>*

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a document summarizing budget increases to PRROs approved by the Executive Director within her delegated authority.



c) <u>Emergency Operations Approved by the Executive Director or by the</u> <u>Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 January-30 June 2013)</u>*

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a document summarizing emergency operations (EMOPs) approved by the Executive Director, or the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO, under the authority delegated in subparagraph (b) of the Appendix to the General Rules.

9. Organizational and Procedural Matters

Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2014–2015)

Pursuant to Rule III of the Rules of Procedure, the Board will have before it, **for approval**, its Biennial Programme of Work for 2014–2015.

10. Summary of the Work of the Annual Session of the Executive Board, 2013

In accordance with the Board's decision at its Second Regular Session in 1996 on its methods of work, the Summary of Work of the Annual Session of 2013 is submitted **for approval.**

11. Other Business

Report on the Field Visit to the Democratic Republic of the Congo of the WFP Executive Board*

A report on the field visit of the WFP Executive Board to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, which took place from 8 to 16 September 2013, is presented to the Board **for information**.

12. Verification of Approved 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.



^{*} In accordance with the Board's decisions on governance approved at the Annual Session and Third Regular Session of 2000, items for information should not be discussed unless a Board member specifically requests it well in advance of the meeting and the Chair accepts the request on the grounds that it is a proper use of the Board's time.