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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 2012. 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 a Bureau Alternate and Appointment of the Rapporteur

The Board shall elect a Bureau Alternate (List E) as the current representative will become unavailable.

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) Policy for Disclosure of Oversight Reports

At its Annual Session in 2011, the Board requested the Inspector General and Management to provide a review of the concept of inspection within the oversight framework and an update on the Disclosure Policy. The document is submitted to the Board **for approval**.

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 FAO Finance Committee.

b) Compendium of Policies Relating to the Strategic Plan¹

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 2008–2013.

5. Resource, Financial and Budgetary Matters

a) WFP Management Plan (2013–2015)

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the Management Plan for the period 2013–2015, including WFP's budget for 2013.

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

¹ 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.



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b) Increased Fee for the External Auditor

The Board will have before it a request from the External Auditor for an increase in audit fee due to increased DSA and air travel costs. The document is submitted to the Board **for approval**.

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

c) Work Plan of the External Auditor for the period July 2012 to June 2013¹

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 Evaluation Report of WFP's Private Sector Partnership and Fundraising Strategy and Management Response</u>

This evaluation was conducted in response to the recommendation of the Joint Inspection Unit (JIU). It assesses the quality of the strategy and its results, and identifies factors that explain the strategy's successes and failures.

b) <u>Summary Evaluation Report – Global Logistics Cluster: Jointly Commissioned by WFP, the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs and UNICEF, and Management Response</u>

This is the first evaluation conducted on WFP's role and performance as a humanitarian response cluster lead. The evaluation assessed the effectiveness, efficiency, utilization and results of the logistics cluster's products, services and activities at global and country levels. The evaluation found that under WFP's effective leadership the cluster strengthened partnerships and increased coordination in humanitarian logistics. The recommendations seek to enhance humanitarian logistics strategic planning and policy setting and to improve human resource, financial and reporting systems.

c) <u>Summary Evaluation Report – Somalia Country Portfolio and Management Response</u>

This evaluation provides an analysis and assessment of the portfolio from 2006 to 2010. It looks 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, leading up to the 2011 famine; and iii) what the operation's performance and results were over the pre-crisis period. The evaluation findings and recommendations will assist the country office in defining its post-crisis transition strategies and taking appropriate operational decisions.



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d) Summary Evaluation Report – Afghanistan Country Portfolio and Management Response

This evaluation provides an analysis and assessment of the portfolio from 2007 to 2011. It looks 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.

e) <u>Summary Report of the Joint UNHCR/WFP Impact Evaluation on the Contribution of Food Assistance to Durable Solutions in Protracted Refugee Situations – Rwanda and Management Response</u>

The second in a series of four, this evaluation found that the overall contribution of food assistance for Congolese refugees living in camps in Rwanda to achieving intended outcomes was mixed. Food insecurity remained problematic. Global acute malnutrition rates were below alert levels, however chronic malnutrition rates were beyond the humanitarian threshold for 'critical'. Significant changes to programme approaches to avoid chronic food insecurity and chronic malnutrition and to develop a way forward to achieve durable solutions were recommended.

OPERATIONAL MATTERS

7. Draft Country Programmes

The following draft country programme is submitted to the Board **for consideration**:

Nicaragua 200434 (2013–2018)

8. Country Programmes

The following country programmes², the drafts of which were considered by the Board at its Annual Session, are now submitted to the Board **for approval on a no-objection basis:**

- ➤ Plurinational State of Bolivia 200381 (2013–2017)
- Cameroon 200330 (2013–2017)
- Guinea 200326 (2013–2017)
- Lesotho 200369 (2013–2017)
- Liberia 200395 (2013–2017)
- Nepal 200319 (2013–2017)
- Sierra Leone 200336 (2013–2014)

9. Projects for Executive Board Approval

a) <u>Development Projects</u>

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

- ➤ Jordan 200478
- Swaziland 200422

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² Reminder: the finalized country programme documents posted on the web are taken up for discussion at the Second Regular Session only if five Board members request it in writing by 15 October 2012. Requests must be addressed to the Secretary of the Executive Board, with a copy to the Board's President.



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b) Budget Increases to Development Activities

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

- > Armenia DEV 200128
- ➤ Egypt CP 104500
- Mali CP 105830
- c) Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations

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

- Myanmar 200299
- Pakistan 200250
- ➤ Somalia 200443
- Sri Lanka 200452
- Uganda 200429
- 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:

- Democratic Republic of the Congo 200167
- ➤ Ethiopia 200290
- Occupied Palestinian Territory 200037

10. Reports of the Executive Director on Operational Matters

a) <u>Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations Approved by the Executive Director (1 January-30 June 2012)¹</u>

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

- Central African Republic 200315
- ➤ Mozambique 200355
- Rwanda 200343
- Senegal 200138
- Tunisia 200307
- b) <u>Budget Increases to PRROs Approved by the Executive Director</u> (1 January–30 June 2012)¹

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



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c) Emergency Operations Approved by the Executive Director or by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 January–30 June 2012)¹

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a document summarizing 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.

11. Organizational and Procedural Matters

➤ Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2013–2014)

Pursuant to Rule III of the Rules of Procedure, the Board will have before it, **for approval**, its Biennial Programme of Work for 2013–2014.

12. Summary of the Work of the Annual Session of the Executive Board, 2012

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 2012 is submitted **for approval.**

13. Other Business

a) Housing Allowance of the Executive Director

At its 2007 First Regular Session, the Board decided that the Executive Director's housing allowance should be reviewed at five-year intervals. This document provides an analysis of the evolution of the market rates, consumer price index for housing, water, electricity and fuel (HWEF) and, taking into account the housing allowances set for the Director-General of FAO and the President of IFAD, it proposes to the Board, **for approval**, the housing allowance of the WFP Executive Director.

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

b) Report on the Field Visit to Colombia of the WFP Executive Board¹

A report on the field visit of the WFP Executive Board to Colombia, which took place from 5 to 13 September 2012, is presented to the Board **for information**.

14. 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.

