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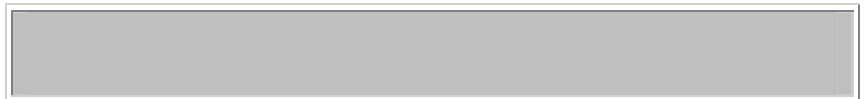
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1. *Adoption of the Agenda*

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 in 2009. 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) WFP School Feeding Policy

The paper, which is submitted **for consideration**, provides an updated framework for school feeding. It outlines the purpose and objectives of school feeding and the role of WFP, the methods for attaining the objectives, the tools for measuring success or failure. The policy is intended to serve as a guide to Regional Directors, country directors and all staff on how WFP implements school feeding programmes and budgets to meet specific safety-net, education, nutrition, health and related objectives. The paper also consolidates recent research, lessons learned, best practices and evaluation findings in a conceptual framework that can serve as the basis for future analyses.

b) WFP Policy on Capacity Development: An Update on Implementation

At its Annual Session in 2008, the Board requested that, following the recommendations contained in the Summary Report of the Evaluation of WFP's Capacity Development Policy and Operations, the Secretariat update the capacity development policy. This paper has been elaborated to show how WFP is continuing to respond to the challenge of developing capacity in the countries where it operates. It focuses on WFP's capacity development policy implementation in a changing strategic and policy context. Latest thinking, recent developments, successes and lessons learned through implementation are reported. The paper also tackles gaps identified in the 2008 evaluation and proposes plans for filling them; it also presents WFP's vision, objectives, outcomes, outputs and activities which will guide WFP's future capacity-development investments and activities. The document is submitted **for consideration**.

c) WFP Gender Policy: Corporate Action Plan (2010–2011)*

At its First Regular Session in 2009, the Board approved the WFP Gender Policy and invited the Secretariat to present a time-bound corporate action. The corporate action plan, submitted **for information**, covers both the normative and the operational functions of WFP, and translates the gender policy into concrete actions with verifiable indicators and targets, assigns responsibilities and indicates resource requirements. The plan will contribute to the achievement of WFP strategic objectives



and will support regional and country offices to incorporate measurable, context-based gender actions into their work plans based on gender analysis. The gender action plan covers the period 2010–2011. It will be evaluated and updated every two years.

d) Update of Consolidated Framework of WFP Policies*

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. The “Consolidated Framework of WFP Policies” was first submitted to the Board at its Annual Session in 2002. This updated version, which is submitted **for information**, includes six policies considered by the Board in 2008–2009: Vouchers and Cash Transfers, Evaluation Policy, Gender Policy, Policy on Disaster Risk Reduction, the Strategic Results Framework and WFP’s Strategy for Managing and Developing Human Resources.

e) Update on WFP’s Response to HIV and AIDS*

At its First Regular Session in 2003, the Board asked to be informed annually about the status of WFP HIV/AIDS activities and relations with the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS). The update is therefore submitted to the Board **for information**.

5. ***Resource, Financial and Budgetary Matters***

a) WFP Biennial Management Plan (2010–2011)

As per Financial Regulation 9.2, a Management Plan is to be submitted to the Board each financial biennium, at the last regular session in the second year of each biennium period; the first Management Plan was presented to the Board at the Third Regular Session in 2003. The “WFP Biennial Management Plan (2010–2011)” provides an overview of the estimated required resources and planned activities for 2010–2011. It presents the proposed use of the indirect support cost (ISC) income that is expected to be generated during the biennium. It also provides a forecast and detailed analysis of the operational expenditures for the 2010–2011 biennium and includes the Evaluation Budget and Workplan for 2010–2011. 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 Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) Finance Committee.

b) Update on the Financial Framework Review*

As a follow up to the paper submitted to the Annual Session which framed the background and context of the review, outlined the main issues to be addressed and proposed a procedure for taking the process forward. this document will summarize the results of the review. 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

c) Appointment of Members to the Audit Committee

At its First Regular Session in 2009, the Board endorsed the creation of the WFP Audit Committee as an independent advisory body reporting to the Board and the Executive Director. It also agreed that members of the existing Audit Committee



would continue serving until the end of their present mandate. This document, submitted **for approval**, puts forward the Executive Director's recommended candidate to fill an Audit Committee slot left open following the rotation of a member.

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

- d) Report on the IPSAS Dividend and the Use of Financial and Management Information: Report by the External Auditor and WFP Management Response — *withdrawn*

The implementation of financial statements in compliance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) offers a significant opportunity for improved accountability and better management and decision-making. The External Auditor presents an assessment of how the improved accounting and reporting of financial information under IPSAS can be used for better financial decision-making and to improve WFP's business management. As requested by the Board at its Annual Session in 2008, the response by the Secretariat to the recommendations contained in the report is also presented; both documents are submitted **for consideration**.

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

- e) Process for the Selection and Appointment of the External Auditor for the Term from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2016*

The paper describing the process for the selection and appointment of the External Auditor, which was approved by the Board on 6 October 2009, is submitted to the Board **for information**. The reports of the ACABQ and the FAO Finance Committee, which discussed this item in September and July 2009 respectively, are reproduced **for information**.

- f) WFP Investment Policy and Guidelines*

Further to a request made by the Board at its 2009 Annual Session, this document presents further details on WFP's investment policy and the impact of the global financial crisis. The document sets out the background to WFP's investment management; the impact of the global financial crisis on WFP's investments; WFP's investment policy and investment guidelines; and the measures taken to reduce the risk profile of WFP's investments. The paper 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

- g) Update on the WINGS II Project*

This paper, submitted to the Board **for information**, is a report on the WFP Information Network and Global System II (WINGS II) project, outlining the project's current activities and funding.

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 presented to the Board **for consideration**. The summaries of actions taken by management to implement the recommendations contained in the summary evaluation reports are presented as addenda to these reports.

a) Summary Report of the Strategic Evaluation of WFP Contingency Planning (2002-2008) and Management Response

WFP employs several tools to enhance emergency preparedness and response. This evaluation focuses on the effectiveness, accuracy and usefulness of WFP contingency planning and their related partnerships. It compares standards and good practices with WFP's approach to review what works and what does not in order to prioritize improvements and get the best return on investment. The evaluation focuses on a cross-section of contingency planning processes in various emergency contexts.

b) Summary Evaluation Report Bangladesh CP 104100 (2007–2010) and Management Response

The goal of this country programme is to support the Government in improving the food security of ultra poor households, their nutritional well-being and their livelihoods. The evaluation takes stock of mid-term achievements and provides guidance for the implementation of ongoing operations and for future interventions in Bangladesh.

c) Summary Evaluation Report Côte d'Ivoire PRRO 106720 and Management Response

The political instability in Côte d'Ivoire resulted in the country splitting into two parts in September 2002. In early 2007, as a result of the Ouagadougou Agreement, the Zone of Confidence separating the two parts was dismantled, a peace process launched and steps taken for economic recovery in the country. In order to facilitate the recovery, WFP developed protracted relief and recovery operation (PRRO) 106720 "Assistance to Populations Affected by the Côte d'Ivoire Protracted Crisis". The evaluation assesses the extent to which the PRRO contributed to a return to stability and assisted household food security through food aid interventions protecting human and productive assets.

d) Summary Evaluation Report Democratic Republic of the Congo PRRO 106080 and Management Response

The evaluation of PRRO 106080 "Targeted Food Aid for Victims of Armed Conflict and Other Vulnerable Groups in the Democratic Republic of the Congo" reviews the performance and results of the operation in order to contribute to accountability and learning and to provide guidance for the design of subsequent operations in the country.

e) Summary Evaluation Report Malawi Country Portfolio and Management Response

The evaluation provides an analysis and assessment of the portfolio over the period 2000–2008 looking at: a) how well WFP is aligned with government policies and partner strategies and whether the Programme positioned itself strategically within that context; b) how WFP made strategic choices in the past; and c) what the outcomes and impacts of the operations were. The evaluation findings and recommendations will inform the country office's choices about future strategic directions, strategic planning and implications for programme implementation.



f) Summary Evaluation Report Lao People's Democratic Republic Country Portfolio and Management Response

The evaluation encompasses the entirety of WFP activities for the period from 2000 to 2008 and evaluates the performance and results of the portfolio as a whole. It provides evaluative insights for evidence-based decision-making as WFP makes strategic decisions about positioning itself in the country, its strategic partnerships, and the way in which operations are designed and implemented. The evaluation of the Lao People's Democratic Republic portfolio is the second of this type.

g) Summary Evaluation Report Republic of the Congo PRRO 103121 and Management Response

This PRRO addresses the relief and recovery needs of vulnerable populations affected by the conflicts that ravaged the country in the 1990s. The evaluation examines the extent to which the PRRO has improved the food security and socio-economic recovery of the affected populations focusing on the recovery components of the PRRO: the food-for-work, food-for-education and HIV/AIDS activities.

Operational Matters

7. *Draft Country Programmes*

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

- Guatemala 200031 (2010–2014)

8. *Country Programmes*

In October 2002, the Board approved the harmonized procedure for country programme approval (WFP/EB.3/2002/4-B), whereby draft country programmes would be reviewed by the Board at its Annual Session in June. Country programmes would then be posted on the WFP website and approved at the Second Regular Session on a “no-objection basis”; they would be discussed only if at least five Board members requested so in writing (WFP/EB.2/2003/INF/6). The following country programme is therefore submitted to the Board **for approval on a no-objection basis**:

- Uganda 108070 (2009–2014)

9. *Projects for Executive Board Approval*

Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations

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

- Haiti 108440
- Myanmar 200032
- Tajikistan 200025 — *withdrawn*

10. *Reports of the Executive Director on Operational Matters*

a) Development Activities Approved by the Executive Director (1 January–30 June 2009)*

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

- Uganda 107920



- b) Budget Increases to Development Activities Approved by the Executive Director (1 January–30 June 2009)*

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

- c) Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations Approved by the Executive Director (1 January–30 June 2009)*

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

- Bangladesh 100454
- Bolivia 108360
- Georgia 107870
- Islamic Republic of Iran 102131
- Liberia 108210

- d) Budget Increases to PRROs Approved by the Executive Director (1 January–30 June 2009)*

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

- e) Emergency Operations Approved by the Executive Director or by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 January–30 June 2009)*

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

11. *Organizational and Procedural Matters*

- a) Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2010–2011)

Pursuant to Rule III of the Rules of Procedure, the Board will have before it, **for approval**, its Biennial Programme of Work for 2010–2011.

* In accordance with the Executive Board's decisions on governance, approved at the Annual and Third Regular Sessions, 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.



b) Extension of the WFP Strategic Plan: Amendment to General Rule VI.1

Further to General Assembly resolution 63/232 of 19 December 2008 changing the comprehensive policy review of operational activities from a triennial to a quadrennial cycle, and urging the funds and programmes to align their strategic planning cycles with the quadrennial comprehensive policy review, the Executive Board approved, at its Annual Session in 2009, the extension of the current WFP Strategic Plan by two years, until the end of 2013. This requires a change to General Rule VI.1 which is presented in this paper to the Board **for approval**.

c) Directions for Collaboration among the Rome-Based Agencies

At its Second Regular Session in 2007, the Board requested the Secretariat to consult with the Rome-based agencies on undertaking a joint document on the direction that future purpose driven operational partnerships could take at the global, regional and country levels. The document, which is submitted **for consideration**, sets out a four-pillar framework for collaboration and identifies five topical areas for focus in the immediate and medium term.

12. *Summary of the Work of the Annual Session of the Executive Board, 2009*

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 2009 is submitted **for endorsement**.

13. *Other Business*

➤ Oral briefing on the Board President's visit to Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan

The President of the Executive Board will brief the Board on his visit to Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan which took place from 24 to 28 September 2009

➤ Revised fee for the External Auditor for the biennium 2008-2009

The President of the Executive Board will brief the Board on the proposed increase received from NAO to its fee for the biennium 2008–2009; the proposed increase requires Board approval.

14. *Verification of Adopted Decisions and Recommendations*

➤ Decisions and Recommendations of the Second Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2009

The Board will have before it a draft document containing all decisions and recommendations taken at its current session, for verification of their accuracy.