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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 First Regular Session in 2006. 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 the Bureau and Appointment of the Rapporteur*

In accordance with Rule IV of its Rules of Procedure, the Executive Board shall elect among the representatives of its members a President, a Vice-President and three other members (collectively designated as the Bureau), who shall hold office until their successors are elected. Each member of the Bureau shall be chosen from one of the Lists of States as defined in Appendix A to the General Regulations of WFP.

Pursuant to Rule XII, and in keeping with the established methods of work, the Board may also appoint a Rapporteur from among the representatives.

3. *Current and Future Strategic Issues*

Under this item, the Executive Director will provide, **for consideration**, an oral presentation on strategic issues facing the Programme.

4. *Annual Reports*

➤ Annual Report for 2005 to ECOSOC and FAO Council

The Annual Report to the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) Council is presented at the First Regular Session every year in accordance with the Board's 2004 decision on streamlining corporate reporting to the Board and WFP parent bodies (WFP/EB.A/2004/5-F). The report provides a comprehensive picture of WFP's engagement in United Nations system-wide activities, organized according to the common format for United Nations funds and programmes reports to ECOSOC and taking into account the comments expressed by the WFP Board on the desired content of the report. This report is presented to the Board **for approval**.

5. *Policy Issues*

a) Targeting in Emergencies

This paper, submitted to the Board **for approval**, reviews and assesses WFP's targeting policies and practices in emergency situations, updates the Board on the latest trends in this area and identifies issues or areas upon which the Board might wish to focus particular attention. This document and the one on humanitarian access are prepared in response to the Board's request, in its discussion of the first "Consolidated Framework of WFP Policies" at its 2002 Annual Session, that the Secretariat present proposals for policy topics to be discussed at future sessions, with particular focus on topics related to emergencies.



b) Humanitarian Access and Its Implications for WFP

This paper, presented **for consideration**, informs the Board of processes that clarify WFP's approach, in collaboration with its United Nations partners, to securing safe and unhindered access to people affected by emergencies, and to seeking guidance where needed.

c) Food Procurement in Developing Countries

This paper, **for consideration**, clarifies WFP's procurement of food commodities and its potential for making a positive contribution in developing countries.

d) Ending Child Hunger and Undernutrition Initiative: Progress Report*

This will be an oral presentation, made to the Board **for information**. It will summarize further progress made in the design and development of the Initiative internal to WFP, with UNICEF and the World Bank, and with partners.

6. *Resource, Financial and Budgetary Matters*

a) Review of ISC Rate Modalities

Following the Board's request at its Second Regular Session in 2005, the Secretariat will present under this agenda item a paper **for consideration** discussing the benefits and consequences of applying a fixed ISC rate or an audited ISC rate based on actual as opposed to estimated costs.

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

b) Review of the Arrangements for Reporting Post-Delivery Losses to the Executive Board: Report by the External Auditor

In line with the priorities agreed by the Board, the External Auditor has selected areas that are of major importance in terms of the efficient and effective operation of WFP and of the scale of resources devoted to them. This report, submitted **for consideration**, (i) considers the procedures for assessing post delivery losses, (ii) examines the robustness, sensitivity and completeness of loss reporting and (iii) comments on the quality of reporting mechanisms.

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

c) Follow-Up on the Recommendations of the External Auditor

The follow-up report on the implementation of the recommendations of the External Auditor is presented **for consideration**.

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

d) Update on the WFP Management Plan*

Following the Board's request at its Second Regular Session in 2005, the Secretariat will present under this agenda item a paper **for information** on the carry-over of budget from 2004–2005 to 2006, as authorized in the approval of the Biennial Management Plan (2006–2007).

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



e) Progress Report on International Accounting Standards*

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a progress report document on the transition to international accounting standards.

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

f) Report on Business Process Review*

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a progress report on the implementation of the new business model.

7. *Evaluation reports*

a) Evaluation of WFP's Assistance to China (1979–2005)

The evaluation took place between May 2004 and October 2005 including a preparatory mission in June 2004 and a three-week field mission in May 2005. Because WFP is ending operational activities in China in December 2005, the summary report, submitted to the Board **for consideration**, includes a desk review of the period 1979–2000 as well as an evaluation of the last country programme in order to resume findings and lessons to be learned from the entire period. The report focuses on the results achieved and the partnerships with the Government of China and other partners, particularly the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).

b) Thematic Evaluation of Targeting in Relief Situations

In cooperation with the Strategy, Policy and Programme Support Division (PDP), OEDE has undertaken a thematic evaluation on challenges and constraints facing WFP in the effort to ensure efficient and effective targeting. The evaluation results, submitted to the Board **for consideration**, should support new corporate policy formulation, especially in relation to relief targeting. It focuses on selected relief situations that are on-going or that have recently been completed.

c) Summary Report of the Thematic Review of WFP-Supported Mother-and-Child Nutrition Interventions

As a follow-up to the “Desk Review of Mother-and-Child Nutrition (MCN) Activities” undertaken in 2002, the Nutrition Service (PDPN) requested OEDE to carry out a thematic review of current approaches in WFP-supported nutrition interventions, based on four case studies in different geographical regions. The review, carried out between January and August 2005, assessed the extent to which the four principles essential for the success of MCN programmes have been applied and their effectiveness in reaching programme objectives. The report is submitted to the Board **for consideration**.

d) Joint UNHCR–WFP Evaluation of the Pilot Food Distribution Projects

The main objective of the evaluation jointly undertaken by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and WFP was to assess the effectiveness of the new arrangement under which WFP assumes responsibility for food distributions in refugee operations, piloted in five countries. Evaluation findings, submitted to the Board **for consideration**, should facilitate future decisions by UNHCR and WFP on arrangements for final food distributions.



Operational Matters

8. *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:

- Angola 10433.0
- Pakistan 10504.0
- Democratic People's Republic of Korea 10488.0

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

- Emergency Operations Approved by the Executive Director or by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 July–31 December 2005)*

The Executive 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 the Appendix to the General Rules.

10. *Organizational and Procedural Matters*

- Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2006–2007)*

Further to a request by the Board at its Third Regular Session in 2004, an updated version of the Biennial Programme of Work (2006–2007) is presented **for information**.

11. *Administrative and Managerial Matters*

- Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit relevant to WFP

The Board, by its decision 2002/EB.2/17, recommended that the JIU reports submitted annually by the Secretariat to the Board should comprise the following items:

- (i) WFP comments on the JIU reports relevant to the work of WFP presented two years previously (comments on the 2004 JIU reports and 2005 reports received by 1 October 2005 would be made at the First Regular Session in 2006);
- (ii) a list of JIU reports issued in that year; and
- (iii) the status of WFP's implementation of previously approved or accepted recommendations.

In accordance with the practice of the Boards of other funds and programmes, the Secretariat presents to the Board each year at the First Regular Session, a summary report containing the items listed above **for its consideration**.

12. *Summary of the Work of the Second Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2005*

In accordance with the Board's decision at its Second Regular Session in 1996 on its methods of work, the Summary of the Work of the Second Regular Session of 2005 is submitted **for endorsement**.



13. *Other Business*

- Report on the Joint Meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP*

The report of the joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP, which takes place from 20 to 23 January 2006, will be submitted 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.

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

