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BIENNIAL PROGRAMME OF WORK OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD (2005–2006)

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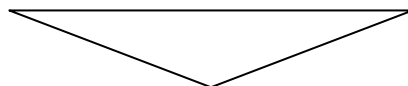
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1. At its Third Regular Session in 2004, the Board requested that the Biennial Programme of Work be submitted to its First and Annual Sessions for information, and to its Second Regular Session for approval. This document is therefore submitted to the Board for information.
2. The Biennial Programme of Work is a living document that is regularly updated on the basis of information received from the Secretariat, Board members and observers; it is reviewed by the Bureau at each of its meetings.
3. Following a governance recommendation adopted by the Board in May 2000, items for information are not to be discussed unless a Board member requests it and the Chair accepts the request on the grounds that it is a proper use of the Board's time.
4. Also attached is the draft FAO/IFAD/WFP Calendar of Governing and Other Bodies 2005–2006, prepared by the three organizations in an effort to harmonize their calendars of meetings.

DRAFT DECISION*



The Board takes note of the Biennial Programme Work for 2005–2006 (WFP/EB.1/2005/9) as proposed by the Bureau and the Secretariat.

* This is a draft decision. For the final decision adopted by the Board, please refer to the Decisions and Recommendations document issued at the end of the session.



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POLICY ISSUES

EB.1/2005 (31 January–2 February)

➤ *Definition of Emergencies (A)*

This document, submitted **for approval**, reviews WFP's existing definition of emergencies in the light of the definitions in use by other United Nations agencies and partners and current emergency trends. This paper is 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.

➤ *Exiting Emergencies (A)*

This document reviews lessons learned from WFP experiences in exiting from emergency responses. It stresses the importance of exit strategies and sets out recommendations to guide future organizational practice in exiting. The paper is 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 during the next biennium, with particular focus on policy gaps related to emergencies. "Exiting emergencies" was presented as a policy topic at the Third Regular Session in 2003. This paper is presented **for approval**.

➤ *Annual Report to the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and the FAO Council (A)*

With regard to streamlining corporate reporting to the Executive Board and WFP parent bodies (WFP/EB.A/2004/5-F), the Board decided at its Annual Session in 2004 that the Annual Report to ECOSOC and the FAO Council would be presented at its First Regular Session every year, starting in 2005. The report combines three previous reports — Section II of the former "Annual Report of the Executive Director", the "Report on Follow-Up to General Assembly and ECOSOC Resolutions" and the "Progress Report on General Assembly Resolution A/RES/56/201, Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review" — into a single report that provides a comprehensive picture of WFP's engagement in United Nations system-wide activities and responses to relevant United Nations General Assembly and ECOSOC resolutions. This report is presented **for approval**.

➤ *Report of the Bureau on Governance Matters (I)*

The Bureau will report on outstanding governance matters such as the evaluation function, the role of the Board in the appointment of the Executive Director and other relevant issues. This item is presented **for information**.

EB.A/2005 (6–10 June)

➤ *Annual Performance Report for 2004 (A)*

General Rule VII.2 states: "Each year the Executive Director shall submit to the Board **for its approval** an Annual Report and other reports as directed by the Board". Further, Governance recommendation (h), approved by the Board at its Third Regular Session in 2000 (decision 2000/EB.3/1—Follow-up to Executive Board Decision 2000/EB.A/6 on Governance), states: "An Annual Performance Report should be developed" based on the Biennial Management Plan previously approved.

The Annual Performance Report for 2004 aims at presenting a relevant and credible analysis of WFP's performance vis-à-vis the commitments made for the year as defined in the Strategic and Management Plans for the period 2004–2007.

➤ *Strategic Plan (2006–2009) (A)*

At its Third Regular 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 (b) establishes that the current Strategic and Financial Plan should be adapted into a Strategic Plan, notably by the incorporation of results-based objectives. The Strategic Plan was first presented at the Third Regular Session of 2003. This document is submitted to the Board **for approval**.



➤ *Food for Training (C)*

This paper, **for consideration**, examines lessons learned from experience, including implementation of the commitment to ensure that women and adolescent girls constitute at least 70 percent of the participants in food-assisted training activities, articulated in the Gender Policy approved by the Board at its Third Regular Session of 2002.

➤ *Progress Report on the Implementation of WFP Policy on HIV/AIDS (I)*

A "Progress Report on the Implementation of the WFP Policy on HIV/AIDS" will be presented **for information** in response to the decision of the Board at its First Regular Session, 2003 (WFP/EB.1/2003/10) to request a progress report on the implementation of the policy to be submitted to the Board in 2005.

➤ *Food Aid Sources (C)*

This paper, **for consideration**, reviews trends in the availability and sources of food aid, and the implications of those trends for the Programme.

➤ *Local Purchases and Procurement (C)*

This paper, for consideration, clarifies WFP's purchase and procurement of services and commodities and these efforts' potential for making a positive contribution in developing countries.

➤ *MTR of the Implementation of the Gender Policy (I)*

WFP's mission is to provide access to food for hungry people in situations of acute and chronic food insecurity, thus contributing to the Millennium Development Goal of halving the number of hungry people by 2015. In this context, WFP has developed a Gender Policy for 2003–2007, which was approved by the Board in 2002. The mid-term review will report on the status of implementation of the major initiatives that operationalize and mainstream the Gender Policy. These programme support initiatives include baseline surveys, guidelines, training in implementation of the Enhanced Commitments to Women and field research. The document is presented to the Board **for information**

➤ *Follow-Up Report on Right to Food Guidelines (C)*

Following approval of the internationally negotiated Voluntary Guidelines on the Right to Food, in Sept 2004, by the Committee on World Food Security and the FAO Council, and pursuant to discussions held at the Third Regular Session of the Board, in October 2004, the Board will have before it, **for consideration**, an information note outlining the relevance of these guidelines to the work of WFP.

EB.2/2005 (7–11 November)

➤ *Update of Consolidated Framework of WFP policies (I)*

At its Annual Session in 2000, the Executive Board approved the recommendations contained in the Report of the Working Group on Governance (decision 2000/EB.A/6). Governance Recommendation (d) established that the WFP policy statement should be codified in a compendium. The "Consolidated Framework of WFP Policies" was first submitted to the Board at its Annual Session in 2002. A hard copy of the update of the Consolidated Framework is submitted to the Board **for information**.

➤ *Humanitarian Access (A/C)*

This paper informs the Board of processes that clarify the Programme's approach, in collaboration with its United Nations partners, to securing safe and unhindered access to people affected by emergencies, and seek guidance where needed. The paper is 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. This paper will be **for approval or consideration**, depending on whether or not the conclusions of the paper require Board approval of any specific policy changes in the "Consolidated Framework of WFP Policies".

➤ *Targeting (A/C)*

This paper reviews and assesses WFP's targeting policies and practices, 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 paper would be **for approval or consideration**, depending on whether or not the conclusions of the paper require Executive Board approval of any specific policy changes in the "Consolidated Framework of WFP Policies".



➤ *Follow-Up Report on the Decentralization Initiative (C)*

During discussion of the Review of WFP's decentralization initiative, at the Third Regular Session of the Board in October 2003, members requested that a follow-up review of decentralization be undertaken during 2005, with a focus on regional knowledge sharing, cost efficiency and the effect of programming on beneficiaries. It should also take into account other organizations' experience with decentralization. The paper being presented to the Board **for consideration** is the result of that request.

➤ *Status Report on Results-Based Management (I)*

At its Annual Session and Third Regular Session in 2003, the Secretariat presented information notes on the status of RBM implementation in WFP and anticipated the next steps. The Executive Board requested that another status report be provided at some time in the 2004–2005 biennium, and asked the Secretariat to propose the timing for such a report. The Secretariat proposed the Third Regular Session of 2005, so that sufficient time could be given for training, for developing performance information systems, and for completing baseline studies, as well as for completing two Annual Performance Reports (for 2003 and 2004) upon which to assess progress. The document is submitted **for information**.

➤ *Update on the Implementation and Achievements of the MOU between WFP and NEPAD (I)*

The paper is prepared in response to the Board's request made during its discussions at its 2004 First Regular Session (23–26 February 2004) of item 4 f) Information Note on WFP's support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD), including the Memorandum of Understanding established on 19 November between NEPAD and WFP, that the secretariat submit, at least on a biennial basis, a progress report on implementation of the MoU, with particular focus on priorities selected for early action. The document is submitted **for information**.

➤ *Annual Update on School Feeding (I)*

At its Third Regular Session in 2004, the Board requested to be kept informed each year at its Second Regular session on the status of WFP school feeding activities. This annual update is submitted to the Board **for information**.

➤ *Progress Report on Emergency Needs Assessment Implementation Plan (I)*

At its Third Regular Session in 2004, the Executive Board took note of the proposed 30-month implementation plan for strengthening WFP's emergency needs assessments. This document provides an overview of progress and achievements to date and provides an outlook on the steps planned for the remaining period of this initiative. This document is submitted to the Board **for information**.

EB.1/2006 (20–24 February)

➤ *Annual Report to ECOSOC and the FAO Council (A)*

With regard to streamlining corporate reporting to the Board and WFP parent bodies (WFP/EB.A/2004/5-F), the Board decided at EB.A/2004 that the Annual Report to ECOSOC and the FAO Council would be presented at the First Regular Session every year, starting in 2005. The report combines three previous reports—Section II of the former Annual Report of the Executive Director, the Report on Follow-Up to General Assembly and ECOSOC Resolutions and the Progress Report on General Assembly Resolution A/RES/56/201, Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review—into a single report that provides a comprehensive picture of WFP's engagement in United Nations system-wide activities and responses to relevant United Nations General Assembly and ECOSOC resolutions. This report is presented to the Board **for approval**.

EB.A/2006 (12–16 June)

➤ *Annual Performance Report for 2005 (A)*

General Rule VII.2 states: "Each year the Executive Director shall submit to the Board **for its approval** an Annual Report and other reports as directed by the Board". Governance recommendation (h), approved by the Board at its Third Regular Session in 2000 (decision 2000/EB.3/1—Follow-up to Executive Board decision 2000/EB.A/6 on Governance), states: "An Annual Performance Report should be developed" based on the Biennial Management Plan previously approved.

The Annual Performance Report for 2005 aims to present a relevant and credible analysis of WFP's performance in terms of the commitments made for the year as defined in the Strategic and Management Plans for 2004–2007.



EB.2/2006 (6–10 November)

- *Annual Update on School Feeding (I)*

At its Third Regular Session in 2004, the Board requested to be kept informed each year at its Second Regular session on the status of WFP school feeding activities. This annual update is submitted to the Board **for information**.

RESOURCE, FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY MATTERS

EB.1/2005 (31 January–2 February)

- *Financial Framework for Strategic Priority Five Implementation (A)*

At the Third Regular Session of the Board in October 2004, members requested that WFP present a document setting out the financial framework for the policy paper “Building Country and Regional Capacities”. An informal consultation is scheduled in January and the formal paper is submitted **for approval**.

- *Definition of Special Operations (A)*

At its Annual Session in 2004, the Board approved a new definition of the SO programme category, with a footnote that the issue relating to technical assistance would be re-examined at its Third Regular Session in October 2004. The discussions on building local and regional capacity and the financial framework for this Strategic Priority were postponed until the First Regular Session in 2005. As no change in the definition of SOs is required, irrespective of the outcome of these discussions, WFP presents a paper for the Board's approval whereby the definition of the SO programme category is submitted without the footnote.

- *Business Process Review: Working Capital Financing (A)*

The report on BPR presents for approval a proposal for the working-capital financing mechanism for BPR pilot projects and provides a summary update of all BPR work to date. BPR, which started in March 2003, addresses the inefficiencies evident in large unspent balances.

- *Report of the Executive Board Members' Field Visit to the Palestinian Territories (I)*

A report on the visit by Board members to the Palestinian Territories in January 2005 in the context of the BPR pilot projects is also presented to the Board **for information**.

- *Proposed Programme of Work of the External Auditor for the 2004–2005 Biennium (I)*

The WFP External Auditor, the National Audit Office (NAO) of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, appointed for 2002–2005, will present **for information** a document outlining its programme of work.

- *Report of the External Auditor on the Introduction of International Accounting Standards for WFP Financial Statements (C)*

The External Auditor will present **for consideration** a report outlining the procedures required and the impact on the financial statements at WFP of the introduction of international accounting standards.

- *Follow-Up on the Recommendations of the External Auditor (C)*

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

- *Update on the WFP Management Plan 2004–2005 (I)*

The Board will have before it, for information, a report on the implementation of the Management Plan for 2004–2005.

The Executive Director will forward the documents presented under agenda item 5 to the presidents of the FAO Finance Committee and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) for review. The comments and recommendations of the two advisory bodies on these documents will be submitted to the Board at its Annual Session in 2005.



EB.A/2005 (6–10 June)

➤ *Consolidated Financial Report (C)*

The Board will have before it, **for consideration**, a document that presents various financial issues in a comprehensive report.

Pursuant to General Regulation XIV.4, the Executive Director will forward the document for review to the Advisory Committee on Academic and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) and the FAO Finance Committee. Their comments and recommendations will be submitted to the Board **for information**.

➤ *Report of the External Auditor on Management Matters (C)*

The Board will have before it, **for consideration**, a report of the External Auditor on management matters.

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

➤ *Follow-Up on the Recommendations of the External Auditor (C)*

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

EB.2/2005 (7–11 November)

➤ *WFP Biennial Management Plan (2006–2007) (A)*

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 (f) established that a Management Plan would be submitted to the Board each financial biennium. The first Management Plan was presented to the Board at the Third Regular Session, 2003 (Management Plan 2004–2005). The Management Plan includes the evaluation budget and workplan for 2006–2007. The document is submitted to the Board **for approval**.

➤ *Follow-Up on the Recommendations of the External Auditor (C)*

The Second Progress Report on the Implementation of the Recommendations in the 2002–2003 Report of the External Auditor is presented to the Board **for consideration**.

➤ *Risk Management Policy/Strategy (C)*

The “Best Practices in Oversight Mechanisms” paper (WFP/EB.3/2003/5-D/1) presented to the Board at its Third Regular Session in 2003 identified risk management as an important best practice in governance. The Board looked forward to development of a policy and an associated action plan for its consideration in October 2005 (decision 2003/EB.3/9). The paper, **for consideration** by the Board, focuses on WFP's policy and strategy for implementing corporate risk management.

➤ *Multilateral Contributions to WFP (I/C)*

The paper will review the multilateral contributions level, and the utilization and reporting of those contributions. The paper is submitted to the Board **for information/consideration**.

➤ *Report of the External Auditors on Management Matters (C)*

The Board will have before it, **for consideration**, a report of the External Auditor on management matters.

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



EB.1/2006 (20–24 February)

➤ *Follow-Up on the Recommendations of the External Auditor (C)*

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

EB.A/2006 (12–16 June)

➤ *Audited Biennial Accounts 2004–2005 (A)*

In accordance with General Regulation XIV.6(b), the Executive Director will submit to the Board, **for approval**, the biennial financial statements of WFP together with the report of the External Auditor. The financial statements are submitted under cover of the Executive Director's statement on biennial accounts.

➤ *Consolidated Financial Report (C)*

The Board will have before it, **for consideration**, a document that presents various financial issues in a comprehensive report.

Pursuant to General Regulation XIV.4, the Executive Director will forward the document for review to ACABQ and the FAO Finance Committee. Their comments and recommendations will be submitted to the Board **for information**.

➤ *Follow-Up on the Recommendations of the External Auditor (C)*

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

EB.2/2006 (6–10 November)

➤ *Follow-Up on the Recommendations of the External Auditor (C)*

- ◇ Final report on the Implementation of the Recommendations in the 2002–2003 Report of the External Auditor.
- ◇ First Progress Report on the Implementation of the Recommendations in the 2004–2005 Report of the External Auditor.

EVALUATION REPORTS

EB.1/2005 (31 January–2 February)

The Evaluation documents submitted under this item are presented to the Board **for consideration**. The Board is requested to take note of the reports and the associated information note summarizing the action taken so far by management in implementing the recommendations.

➤ *Summary Evaluation Report of Afghanistan Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation (PRRO) 10233.0 (C)*

The evaluation of the Afghanistan protracted relief and recovery operation (PRRO), which is submitted **for consideration**, took place in May 2004. In line with WFP's commitment to results-based management (RBM), OEDE policy and repeated requests from the Executive Board, the evaluation of the PRRO in Afghanistan is focusing on the progress towards results achieved through the implementation of WFP activities.

The Board is requested to take note of the reports and the associated information note summarizing the action taken so far by management in implementing the recommendations.

➤ *Information Note on the Implementation Plan of the PRRO Evaluation Recommendations (I)*

This paper on the implementation plan of the PRRO evaluation recommendations is presented **for information** in response to the Board's request at its Second Regular Session in 2004 (WFP/EB.2/2004/2-A) for an update on the implementation of actions identified by WFP to improve the quality of its PRROs.



EB.A/2005 (6–10 June)

The Evaluation documents submitted under this item are presented to the Board **for consideration**. The Board is requested to take note of the reports and the associated information note summarizing the action taken so far by management in implementing the recommendations.

- *Chad Portfolio of Activities*
- *Uganda Portfolio of Activities*

The above two evaluations examine WFP's development, emergency relief and recovery activities in Chad and Uganda, focusing on relevance and outcomes, and, in the case of Chad, on the influence of emergency relief on the implementation of the country programme. Both Chad and Uganda are first generation country programmes.

- *United Nations Joint Logistics Centre (UNJLC) Evaluation Synthesis Report*

The evaluation synthesis summarizes major findings and conclusions of the reviews of the UNJLC field operations in Afghanistan, Iraq and Liberia. It contains a list of emerging issues arising from these reviews requiring further inter-agency discussion with a view to defining options for the future direction of the UNJLC.

- *OEDE Impact Study on Recommendations Follow-Up (RFU)*

The RFU Impact Study is OEDE's first systematic attempt to follow up the results of its evaluation. It aims to learn about the extent of recommendation follow-up action undertaken in response to OEDE evaluation recommendations and to assess the effectiveness of the recommendations in producing improvement in evaluated projects, operations, policy and operational support, and in defining best evaluation practices reflecting the perspectives of different management units and other stakeholders. RFU covers the first three years of evaluation experience after the introduction of recommendation management response tracking matrices in 2000. It consists of five phases, starting from desk review and survey and ending with validation of findings and production of final evaluation report.

- *Evaluation Report on Democratic Republic of Congo PRRO*

EB.2/2005 (7–11 November)

The evaluation documents submitted under this item are presented to the Board **for consideration**. The Board is requested to take note of the report and the associated information note summarizing the action taken so far by management in implementing the recommendations.

- *Thematic Evaluation on Nutrition Interventions*

As a follow-up to the "Desk Review of Mother-and-Child Nutrition (MCN) Activities" undertaken in 2002, the Nutrition Service (PSPN) has requested OEDE to carry out a thematic evaluation of current approaches in WFP-supported nutrition interventions, based on a number of case studies in different geographical regions. The evaluation is taking place in 2004 and assesses the extent to which the four principles essential for the success of MCN programmes have been applied and their effectiveness in reaching programme objectives.

- *Thematic Evaluation of Key Targeting Challenges and Opportunities for Reaching the Needy in Relief Situations*

In cooperation with the Strategy, Policy and Programme Support Division (PSP), OEDE will undertake in 2004-2005 a thematic evaluation on challenges and constraints facing WFP in the effort to ensure efficient and effective targeting. The evaluation results should support new corporate policy formulation, especially in relation to relief targeting. It will focus on selected relief situations that are on-going or that have recently been completed.

- *Angola Portfolio of Activities*

The evaluation of Angola's portfolio of activities composed of the PRRO and related special operations (SOs) will be a follow-up to the evaluation undertaken in late 2001 and should yield interesting results in view of the political changes that have taken place in the country since then.

- *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, is to assess the effectiveness of the new arrangement under which WFP assumes responsibility of food distributions in refugee operations, piloted in five countries. Evaluation findings should facilitate future decisions by UNHCR and WFP on whether food distributions should be handed over to WFP.



➤ *People's Republic of China Phase-out Impact Evaluation*

The evaluation is planned for October/November 2004 and will have a dual purpose: (i) a review of WFP's assistance to China since the start of operations in 1979 and (ii) an evaluation of the current country programme and the phase-out process. Particular attention will be paid to the WFP/IFAD/Ministry of Agriculture partnership in China.

EB.1/2006 (20–24 February)

The Evaluation document submitted under this item is presented to the Board **for consideration**. The Board is requested to take note of the report and the associated information note summarizing the action taken so far by management in implementing the recommendations.

➤ *Bhutan Country Programme Evaluation*

The evaluation is planned for the second quarter of 2005. This will be an evaluation of Bhutan's first country programme; it is anticipated that the evaluation will provide guidance for the future direction of WFP operations in Bhutan.

EB.A/2006 (12–16 June)

The Evaluation documents submitted under this item are presented to the Board **for consideration**. The Board is requested to take note of the reports and the associated information note summarizing the action taken so far by management in implementing the recommendations.

- Central America PRRO
- Ethiopia Country Programme
- Tanzania Country Programme

EB.2/2006 (6–10 November)

The Evaluation documents submitted under this item are presented to the Board **for consideration**. The Board is requested to take note of the reports and the associated information note summarizing the action taken so far by management in implementing the recommendations.

- Ethiopia EMOP
- Somalia PRRO
- Sudan Country Programme

OPERATIONAL MATTERS

EB.1/2005 (31 January–2 February)

Projects for Executive Board approval (A)

Budget increases to development activities

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

- Ethiopia CP 10208.0 (Act. 2)

Protracted relief and recovery operations

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

- Uganda 10121.1
- Colombia 10366.0



Reports of the Executive Director on Operational Matters (1 July–31 December 2004) (I)

- Emergency Operations Approved by the Executive Director or the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO

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 sub-paragraph (b) of the Appendix to the General Rules.

- Ethiopia PRRO 10362.0: Updated annex (I)

Further to a request by the Board at its Third Regular Session in 2004, an updated annex to Ethiopia PRRO 10362.0 is submitted to the Board **for information**.

EB.A/2005 (6–10 June)

Draft Country Programmes (C)

In October 2002, the Executive Board approved the harmonized procedure for country programme approval (WFP/EB.3/2002/4-B), whereby draft country programmes will be reviewed by the Board at the Second Regular Session in June. The country programme will then be posted on the WFP website and approved at the Third Regular Session on a “no-objection” basis, i.e. it will be discussed if, and only if, five Board members or more request it in writing (ref. WFP/EB.2/2003/INF/6). The following country programmes would be approved on that basis:

- Bangladesh
- Uganda
- Burkina Faso
- Ghana
- Chad

Projects for Executive Board approval (A)

Development projects

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

- Cape Verde
- Peru (School Feeding/Nutrition)

Protracted relief and recovery operations

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

- Kenya 10258.1
- Eritrea 10192.1

Reports of the Executive Director on Operational Matters (1 July–31 December 2004) (I)

The Board may have before it, **for information**, (i) summaries of development projects, PRROs and EMOPs; and (ii) summaries of budget increases to development projects and PRROs approved by the Executive Director within his delegated authority. It may also have EMOPs approved by the Executive Director and by the Director-General of FAO under the authority delegated in subparagraph (b) of the Appendix to the General Rules. It will also have before it a report on the utilization of the Immediate Response Account (1 January–31 December 2004).

EB.2/2005 (7–11 November)

Country Programmes (A)

In October 2002, the Executive Board approved the harmonized procedure for country programme approval (WFP/EB.3/2002/4-B), whereby draft country programmes will be reviewed by the Board at the Second Regular Session, in June. The country programme will be then posted on the WFP website and approved at the Third Regular Session on a “no-objection” basis, i.e. it will be discussed if, and only if, five Board members or more request it in writing (ref. WFP/EB.2/2003/INF/6). The following country programmes would be approved on that basis:

- Bangladesh



- Uganda
- Burkina Faso
- Ghana
- Chad

Projects for Executive Board approval (A)

Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations

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

- Afghanistan 10233.0
- Tajikistan
- Angola
- Côte d'Ivoire
- Guinea Bissau
- Great Lakes Regional 10062.2
- Ethiopia 10127.1
- Democratic Republic of Congo 10288.1
- Sudan

Reports of the Executive Director on Operational Matters (1 January–30 June 2005) (I)

The Board may have before it, **for information**, (i) summaries of development projects, PRROs and EMOPs; and (ii) summaries of budget increases to development projects and PRROs approved by the Executive Director within his delegated authority. It may also have EMOPs approved by the Executive Director and by the Director-General of FAO under the authority delegated in subparagraph (b) of the Appendix to the General Rules.

EB.1/2006 (20–24 February)

Projects for Executive Board approval (A)

Development projects

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

- Côte d'Ivoire

Protracted relief and recovery operations

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

- Myanmar 10066.1

Reports of the Executive Director on Operational Matters (1 July–31 December 2005) (I)

- Emergency operations approved by the Executive Director or jointly by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO

The Executive 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 sub-paragraph (b) of the Appendix to the General Rules.



EB.A/2006 (12–16 June)

Draft Country Programmes (C)

In October 2002, the Executive Board approved the harmonized procedure for country programme approval (WFP/EB.3/2002/4-B), whereby draft country programmes will be reviewed by the Board at the Second Regular Session in June. The country programme will then be posted on the WFP website and approved at the Third Regular Session on a “no-objection” basis; it will be discussed if, and only if, five Board members or more request it in writing (ref. WFP/EB.2/2003/INF/6). The following country programmes are to be approved on that basis:

- Nepal
- Egypt
- Sri Lanka
- India
- Bhutan
- Malawi
- Senegal
- Guinea
- Mozambique
- Zambia
- Ethiopia
- Tanzania
- Rwanda
- Yemen

Projects for Executive Board Approval (A)

Development projects

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

- Syrian Arab Republic 10070

Protracted relief and recovery operations

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

- Algeria 10172

Reports of the Executive Director on Operational Matters (1 July–31 December 2005) (I)

The Board may have before it, **for information**, (i) summaries of development projects, PRROs and EMOPs and (ii) summaries of budget increases to development projects and PRROs approved by the Executive Director within his delegated authority. It may also have EMOPs approved by the Executive Director and by the Director-General of FAO under the authority delegated in subparagraph (b) of the Appendix to the General Rules. It will also have before it a report on the utilization of the Immediate Response Account. (1 January–31 December 2005)

EB.2/2006 (6–10 November)

Country Programmes (A)

In October 2002, the Executive Board approved the harmonized procedure for country programme approval (WFP/EB.3/2002/4-B), whereby draft country programmes will be reviewed by the Board at the Second Regular Session, in June. The country programme will be then posted on the WFP website and approved at the Third Regular Session on a “no-objection” basis; it will be discussed if, and only if, five Board members or more request it in writing (ref. WFP/EB.2/2003/INF/6). The following country programmes are to be approved on that basis:

- Nepal
- Egypt
- Sri Lanka
- India
- Bhutan



- Malawi
- Senegal
- Guinea
- Mozambique
- Zambia
- Ethiopia
- Tanzania
- Rwanda
- Yemen

Projects for Executive Board Approval (A)

Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations

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

- Liberia
- Côte d'Ivoire

Reports of the Executive Director on Operational Matters (1 January–30 June 2006) (I)

The Board may have before it, **for information** (i) summaries of development projects, PRROs and EMOPs and (ii) summaries of budget increases to development projects and PRROs approved by the Executive Director within his delegated authority. It may also have EMOPs approved by the Executive Director and by the Director-General of FAO under the authority delegated in subparagraph (b) of the Appendix to the General Rules.

ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS

EB.1/2005 (31 January–2 February) and EB.A/2005 (6–10 June)

Biennial Programme of Work 2005–2006 of the Executive Board (I)

Further to a request by the Board at its Third Regular Session in 2004, an updated version of the Biennial Programme of Work (2005–2006) is presented **for information**.

EB.2/2005 (7–11 November)

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

Pursuant to Rule III of the Rules of Procedure, the Board will have before it, **for approval**, its Provisional Biennial Programme of Work for 2006–2007. In accordance with its decisions 2000/EB.A/6 and 2000/EB.3/1, during the review of the Provisional Programme of Work, the Board should also:

- advise on the purpose of each document (for approval, for consideration, or for information);
- consider the case for an occasional symposium on food aid;
- identify subjects that would benefit from being handled through an informal consultation before being brought to the Board for decision; and
- look back on its operations over the previous 12 months, and decide if pre-session briefings should be arranged for the following year, and if so, on which subjects.

EB.1/2006 (20–24 February) and EB.A/2006 (12–16 June)

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

Further to a request by the Board at its Third Regular Session in 2004, an updated version of the Biennial Programme of Work (2005–2006) is presented **for information**.



EB.2/2006 (6–10 November)

Biennial Programme of Work 2007–2008 of the Executive Board (A)

Pursuant to Rule III of the Rules of Procedure, the Board will have before it, **for approval**, its Provisional Biennial Programme of Work for 2007–2008. In accordance with its decisions 2000/EB.A/6 and 2000/EB.3/1, during the review of the provisional programme of work, the Board should also:

- advise on the purpose of each document (for approval, for consideration, or for information);
- consider the case for an occasional symposium on food aid;
- identify subjects that would benefit from being handled through an informal consultation before being brought to the Board for decision; and
- look back on its operations over the previous 12 months, and decide whether pre-session briefings should be arranged for the following year, and if so, on which subjects.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND MANAGERIAL MATTERS

EB.1/2005 (31 January–2 February)

- *Funding Arrangements for United Nations Staff Safety and Security (A)*

At its Annual Session of 2004, the Executive Board considered the document “Information note on the Implementation of New Security Management Arrangements” (WFP/EB.A/2004/7-C) and took note of the information it contained, including the Secretariat’s intention to inform the Board of progress and funding status of the WFP Security Upgrade Programme at its First Regular Session in 2005 as well as any changes in WFP’s financial obligations towards the United Nations Security Management System. This document is submitted **for approval**.

EB.A/2005 (6–10 June)

- *Report on Post-Delivery Losses (C)*

The Executive Director will submit to the Board, **for consideration**, a report on losses of commodities incurred after delivery in recipient countries.

This report, required annually, is in line with the request made by the 12th session of the Sub-Committee on Projects (SCP) in 1994, which “stressed the need for more informative reporting on losses sustained after delivery to recipient countries”. The Annual Session of the Executive Board for 2000 “encouraged the Secretariat to take all necessary measures to ensure that losses were further reduced and seek monetary reimbursement from those governments which had lost commodities through negligence”. As a direct follow-up to Board’s recommendations, the Report on Post-Delivery Losses outlines the measures that the Secretariat put in place and includes an update on the WFP commodity tracking system.

- *Composition of WFP International Professional Staff and Higher Categories (I)*

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a list of international Professional staff and higher-level staff with contracts of one year or longer employed by WFP as at 31 December 2004. This includes WFP international Professional staff, Junior Professional Officers, United Nations Volunteers, and other categories of staff employed by the Programme.

- *Information Paper on the Implementation of New Security Management Arrangements (I)*

At its Annual Session of 2004, the Executive Board considered the document “Information Paper on the Implementation of New Security Management Arrangements” (WFP/EB.A/2004/7-C) and took note of the information it contained, including the Secretariat’s intention to inform the Board periodically of progress. The Biennial Programme of Work for 2004–2005 (WFP/EB.1/2004/10-A) approved by the Board scheduled the Secretariat’s update on this important topic for its Annual Session each year. This document is submitted **for information**.



EB.2/2005 (7–11 November)

➤ *Comprehensive Human Resources Review (I)*

At its First Regular Session in 2004 and during discussions on the WFP Policy on Staff Recruitment and Geographical Representation of Member States, the Board was informed about WFP methodology in establishing appropriate representation among international professional staff and requested (decision 2004/EB.1/3) that its opinions be taken into account in the context of a Human Resources management review. The Comprehensive Human Resources Review, which also includes recruiting and hiring policies, will be presented to the Board **for information**.

➤ *Operational Review Report on Supply-Chain Management and the Decentralization and Delegation of Authority (DoA) (I)*

The “Operational Review Report on Supply-Chain Management and the Decentralization and Delegation of Authority (DoA)” will be presented **for information** under “Administrative and Managerial Matters” at its Second Regular Session in November 2005. This is to inform Board members about the actions identified to improve the supply chain management in WFP, and to further review DoA and to make recommendations to increase the level of delegated authority to country directors.

EB.1/2006 (20–24 February)

➤ *Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (JIU)(C)*

The Executive 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 report would be made at the 2006 First Regular Session);
- (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 will present to the Board each year at EB.1, a summary report containing the items listed above **for its consideration**.

EB.A/2006 (12–16 June)

➤ *Report on Post-Delivery Losses (C)*

The Executive Director will submit to the Board, **for consideration**, a report on commodity losses incurred after delivery in recipient countries.

This report, required annually, is in line with the request made by the 12th session of the Sub-Committee on Projects (SCP) in 1994, which "stressed the need for more informative reporting on losses sustained after delivery to recipient countries". The 2000 Annual Session of the Executive Board "encouraged the Secretariat to take all necessary measures to ensure that losses were further reduced and seek monetary reimbursement from those governments which had lost commodities through negligence". As a follow-up to the Board's recommendation, the Report on Post-Delivery Losses outlines the measures that the Secretariat put in place.

➤ *Composition of WFP International Professional Staff and Higher Categories (I)*

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a list of international professional staff and higher-level staff with contracts of one year or longer employed by WFP as at 31 December 2005. This includes WFP international professional staff, junior professional officers, United Nations volunteers and other categories of staff employed by WFP.



➤ *Information Paper on the Implementation of New Security Management Arrangements (I)*

At its Annual Session of 2002, the Executive Board considered the document “Implementation of Funding Arrangements for United Nations Staff Safety and Security” (WFP/EB.A/2002/6-B) and took note of the information it contained, including the Secretariat’s intention to inform the Board periodically of progress. The Biennial Programme of Work for 2003–2004 (WFP/EB.3/2002/11/Rev.1) approved by the Board scheduled the Secretariat’s update on this important topic for its Annual Session each year. This document is submitted **for information**.

EB.2/2006 (6–10 November)

➤ *Review of the Increased Delegation of Authority to the Executive Director(A)*

At its Third Regular Session in 2004, the Board approved an increased delegation of authority to the Executive Director to 20 million dollars (food value) for PRROs and budget revisions to PRROs; the re-establishment of a mechanism for Board approval by correspondence; the elimination of the 10 percent food value ceiling for budget revision approval and the delegation to the ED to approval all Special Operations. At the same time, the Board requested that such delegation of authority be reviewed after two years of implementation at the Third Regular Session of the Board in 2006 to determine whether this procedure would be continued. This document, which contains an analysis of the situation over the past two years and a recommendation to the Board, is submitted **for approval**.



PROVISIONAL FAO/IFAD/WFP CALENDAR OF GOVERNING AND OTHER BODIES 2005–2006

	2005		2006	
JANUARY	WFP	31/1- 02/02	24 ARC	30/1-3/2
FEBRUARY	IFAD/GC	14-18	IFAD/GC WFP	13-17 20-24
MARCH	26 COFI COFI MM COFO MM 17 COFO	7-11 12 14 15-19	28 NERC 80 CCLM	12-16 27-28
APRIL	78 CCLM 65 CCP 19 COAG IFAD/EB	4-5 6-8 12-15 18-22	IFAD/EB 29 LARC	10-13 24-28
MAY	IFAD/VII (1) 109 FC 93 PC 31 CFS	2-6 9-13 9-13 23-26	95 PC 111 FC 28 APRC	8-12 8-12 15-19
JUNE	WFP 128 CL	6-10 20-25	25 ERC WFP	7-9 12-16
JULY	IFAD/VII (2) IFAD/VII (2)	4-8 11-15		
AUGUST				
SEPTEMBER	IFAD/VII (3) IFAD/EB 110 FC 94 PC 79 CCLM	1-2 12-16 19-23 19-23 28-29	IFAD/EB 32 CFS 112 FC 96 PC 81 CCLM	4-8 11-15 18-22 18-22 28-29
OCTOBER	WFD	17 (Mon)	WFD	16
NOVEMBER	WFP 129 CL 33 C 130 CL	7-11 16-18 19-26 28	WFP 131 CL	6-10 20-25
DECEMBER	IFAD/EB IFAD/VII (4)	12-15 16	IFAD/EB	11-15

Eid Al-Adha 21 Jan 05
Easter 27 Mar 05
Ramadan 4 Oct – 2 Nov 05
Eid Al-Fitr 3 Nov 05

Eid Al-Adha 11 Jan 06
Easter 16 Apr 06
Ramadan 24 Sep – 23 Oct.
Eid Al-Fitr 24 Oct

APRC Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific
ARC Regional Conference for Africa
C Conference
CCLM Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters
CCP Committee on Commodity Problems
CFS Committee on World Food Security
CL Council
COAG Committee on Agriculture
COFI Committee on Fisheries
COFO Committee on Forestry
MM Ministerial Meeting

ERC Regional Conference for Europe
FC Finance Committee
IFAD/EB IFAD Executive Board
IFAD/GC IFAD Governing Council
IFAD/VII IFAD Replenishment Consultations
LARC Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean
NERC Regional Conference for the Near East
PC Programme Committee
WFD World Food Day
WFP World Food Programme Executive Board

