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DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD, 2003



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DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Adoption of the Agenda

The Executive Board adopted the agenda as presented (Annex).

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Election of the Bureau of the Executive Board and Appointment of the Rapporteur

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Board, the Executive Board elected H.E. Anthony Beattie (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, List D) as President for a one-year term.

The Board elected as Vice-President Mr Miguel Barreto (Peru, List C). The representatives of: Mauritania, H.E. Hamoud Ould Ely (List A); Pakistan, Mr Adnan Bashir Khan (List B); and Poland, Dr Romuald Szuniewicz (List E) were elected as members of the Bureau, representing the other three WFP electoral lists for a one-year term.

In accordance with Rule XII of its Rules of Procedure, the Board appointed Mr Víctor Hugo Morales Meléndez (Mexico) Rapporteur of the First Regular Session of 2003.

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The decisions and recommendations in the current report will be implemented by the Secretariat in light of the Board's deliberations, the main points of which will be reflected in the summary of the work of the session.

CURRENT AND FUTURE STRATEGIC ISSUES

2003/EB.1/1 Current and Future Strategic Issues

The Board took note of the Executive Director's oral presentation on strategic issues facing the Programme. The main points of this presentation, and the Board's comments, will be contained in the summary of the work of the session.



POLICY ISSUES

2003/EB.1/2 Brussels Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001–2010: An Update

The Board, having reviewed the document "Brussels Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001–2010: An Update" (WFP/EB.1/2003/4-A/Rev.1):

- a) welcomed the endorsement of the Brussels Declaration (A/CONF.191/12) and the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001–2010 (A/CONF.191/11) by the United Nations General Assembly in its resolution 55/279 of 12 July 2001;
- b) noted with appreciation the support given by WFP to the least developed countries (LDCs) in the areas of its mandate;
- requested WFP to continue to give special attention to LDCs in its programme activities and emphasized the importance of the effective implementation of the Brussels Programme of Action by WFP within its mandate; and
- d) invited the Executive Director to take careful account of the Brussels Programme of Action in formulating the Strategic Plan for 2004-2007 and in WFP's intergovernmental processes, as called for in United Nations General Assembly resolutions 56/227, of 24 December 2001, and 57/276, of 20 December 2002.

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2003/EB.1/3 Programming in the Era of AIDS: WFP's Response to HIV/AIDS

The Board welcomed the policy paper "Programming in the Era of AIDS: WFP's Response to HIV/AIDS" (WFP/EB.1/2003/4-B) and endorsed the document with the understanding that minor modifications would be made in the recommendations section, which would read as follows:

- a) WFP will incorporate HIV/AIDS concerns in all of its programming categories—Country Programmes, protracted relief and recovery operations (PRROs) and emergency operations (EMOPs). Food insecurity driven by HIV/AIDS can be addressed directly through WFP programmes, and WFP activities can be used as platforms for other types of HIV/AIDS programmes, such as prevention education. All WFP activities and partnerships concerning HIV/AIDS will be part of a broader multi-sectoral approach and will be aligned with national government strategies on HIV/AIDS.
- b) WFP will work with local and international partners, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), governments and United Nations agencies to ensure that food is incorporated into HIV activities when and where appropriate. WFP will work particularly closely with UNAIDS co-sponsors and the UNAIDS Secretariat in this regard.



c) WFP will adjust programming tools such as needs assessments, vulnerability analysis, the design of rations and other nutrition-related activities as information and research results become available to reflect the new reality presented by HIV/AIDS.

d) When HIV/AIDS threatens food security and influences mortality, WFP will consider HIV/AIDS as a basic component of a PRRO, consistent with current WFP policy on PRROs. The Board asked the Secretariat to present a progress report in 2005 on the implementation of the policy.

In accordance with decision 2002/EB.A/4, it asked that the Secretariat make the appropriate changes in the "Consolidated Framework of WFP Policies: A Governance Tool" (WFP/EB.A/2002/5-A/1). Additional observations of the Board will be reflected in the summary of the work of the session.

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2003/EB.1/4 Exit Strategies for School Feeding: WFP's Experience

The Board took note of the study "Exit Strategies for School Feeding: WFP's Experience" (WFP/EB.1/2003/4-C). It requested the Secretariat to incorporate the lessons of the study in WFP's current and future school feeding programmes, taking full account of national strategies, where these exist, and to report progress at the Board's Third Regular Session in 2004.

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2003/EB.1/5 Comparison Study of WFP and Non-Governmental Organizations

The Board took note of the information contained in the document "Comparison Study of WFP and Non-Governmental Organizations" (WFP/EB.1/2003/4-D).

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2003/EB.1/6 Follow-up to ECOSOC and General Assembly Resolutions on Actions to Be Taken by the Executive Boards of the United Nations Funds and Programmes

The Board took note of the information contained in the document "Follow-up to ECOSOC and General Assembly Resolutions on Actions to Be Taken by the Executive Boards of the United Nations Funds and Programmes" (WFP/EB.1/2003/4-E).

It recommended that the Bureau review the document and requested that the Secretariat report at a future session the follow-up action taken by WFP in compliance with the mandates contained in those resolutions approved by ECOSOC in 2002 and the General Assembly in 2001/2002.



RESOURCE, FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY MATTERS

2003/EB.1/7 Programme of Work and Annotated Outline for the 2003 Review of Resource and Long-Term Financing Policies

The Executive Board took note of the information contained in the document "Programme of Work and Annotated Outline for the 2003 Review of Resource and Long-Term Financing Policies" (WFP/EB.1/2003/5-A/1), and:

- endorsed the Annotated Outline as a conceptual framework and definition of scope for the issues to be covered in the 2003 review of R<F; and
- b) instructed the Bureau to determine how the Programme of Work should be implemented, including consultation with the membership.

Additional observations of the Board will be reflected in the summary of the work of the session.

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2003/EB.1/8 Programme of Work of the External Auditor for the 2002–2003 Biennium: A Paper by the External Auditor for the Executive Board, February 2003

The Board took note of the information contained in the document "Programme of Work of the External Auditor for the 2002–2003 Biennium: A Paper by the External Auditor for the Executive Board, February 2003" (WFP/EB.1/2003/5-B/1). Additional observations of the Board will be reflected in the summary of the work of the session.

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OPERATIONAL MATTERS

2003/EB.1/9 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation for Executive Board Approval—Afghanistan 10233.0

The Board approved PRRO Afghanistan 10233.0—"Food Assistance to Re-establish Livelihoods and Household Food Security in Afghanistan" (WFP/EB.1/2003/6-A/3).

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2003/EB.1/10 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation for Executive Board Approval—Nepal 10058.2

The Board approved PRRO Nepal 10058.2—"Food Assistance to Bhutanese Refugees in Nepal" (WFP/EB.1/2003/6-A/1).



2003/EB.1/11 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation for Executive Board Approval—Tajikistan 10231.0

The Board approved PRRO Tajikistan 10231.0—"Assistance to Food-Insecure Households and Recovery Operations in Tajikistan" (WFP/EB.1/2003/6-A/2).

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2003/EB.1/12 Budget Increase to Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation— Democratic Republic of the Congo 06274.0

The Board approved the budget increase to the Democratic Republic of the Congo PRRO 06274.0—"Population Groups Affected by Armed Conflicts" (WFP/EB.1/2003/6-B/1).

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2003/EB.1/13 Budget Increase to Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation—Sudan 10122.0

The Board approved the budget increase to Sudan PRRO 10122.0—"Food Assistance for Eritrean Refugees" (WFP/EB.1/2003/6-B/2).

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ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS

2003/EB.1/14 Summary of the Work of the Third Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2002

The Board endorsed the summary of its Third Regular Session of 2002, the final version of which would be contained in document WFP/EB.3/2002/15.

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OTHER BUSINESS

2003/EB.1/15 External Evaluation of the Effectiveness and Impact of the Enabling Development Policy of the World Food Programme

The Board recommended that the Bureau examine this issue.

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2003/EB.1/16 Joint UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP Executive Boards' Field Visit to Mozambique, March 2003

The Board took note of the information provided by the President.



ANNEX I

AGENDA

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- 2. Election of the Bureau and appointment of the Rapporteur
- 3. Current and future strategic issues
- 4. Policy Issues
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 - b) Programming in the Era of AIDS: WFP's Response to HIV/AIDS
 - c) Exit Strategies for School Feeding: WFP's Experience
 - d) Comparison Study of WFP and Non-Governmental Organizations
 - e) Follow-up to ECOSOC and General Assembly Resolutions on Actions to Be Taken by the Executive Boards of the United Nations Funds and Programmes
- 5. Resource, Financial and Budgetary Matters
 - a) <u>Programme of Work and Annotated Outline for the 2003 Review of Resource and</u> Long-Term Financing Policies
 - b) Programme of Work of the External Auditor for the 2002–2003 Biennium

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- 6. Projects for Executive Board Approval
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 - ♦ Afghanistan 10233.0
 - ♦ Nepal 10058.2
 - ♦ Tajikistan 10231.0
 - b) Budget increases to protracted relief and recovery operations
 - ♦ Democratic Republic of the Congo 06274.0
 - ♦ Sudan 10122.0

7. Reports of the Executive Director on operational matters (1 July-31 December 2002)

Emergency operations approved by the Executive Director or the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO¹

¹ In accordance with the Executive Board's decisions on governance, approved at the Annual and Third Regular Sessions 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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8. Summary of the Work of the Third Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2002.

- 9. Other business
- 10. Verification of adopted decisions and recommendations



ANNEX II

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1	Provisional Annotated Agenda	WFP/EB.1/2003/1/Rev.1			
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4 a)	Brussels Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001– 2010: An Update	WFP/EB.1/2003/4-A/Rev.1			
4 b)	Programming in the Era of AIDS: WFP's Response to HIV/AIDS	WFP/EB.1/2003/4-B			
4 c)	Exit Strategies for School Feeding: WFP's Experience	WFP/EB.1/2003/4-C			
4 d)	Comparison Study of WFP and Non-Governmental Organizations	WFP/EB.1/2003/4-D			
4 e)	Follow-up to ECOSOC and General Assembly Resolutions on Actions to Be Taken by the Executive Boards of the United Nations Funds and Programmes	WFP/EB.1/2003/4-E			
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5 a)	Programme of Work and Annotated Outline for the 2003 Review of Resource and Long-Term Financing Policies	WFP/EB.1/2003/5-A/1			
5 b)	Programme of Work of the External Auditor for the 2002–2003 Biennium: A Paper by the External Auditor for the Executive Board, February 2003	WFP/EB.1/2003/5-B/1			



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Projects for Exe	Projects for Executive Board Approval				
6 a)	Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations				
	– Nepal 10058.2	WFP/EB.1/2003/6-A/1			
	– Tajikistan 10231.0	WFP/EB.1/2003/6-A/2			
	– Afghanistan 10233.0	WFP/EB.1/2003/6-A/3			
6 b)	Budget Increases to Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations				
	– Democratic Republic of the Congo 06274.0	WFP/EB.1/2003/6-B/1			
	– Sudan 10122.0	WFP/EB.1/2003/6-B/2			
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7	Emergency Operations Approved by the Executive Director, or the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO— (1 July–31 December 2002)	WFP/EB.1/2003/7			
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10	Decisions and Recommendations of the First Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2003	WFP/EB.1/2003/10			
	Summary of the work of the First Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2003	WFP/EB.1/2003/11*			
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	Provisional Timetable	WFP/EB.1/2003/INF/2/Rev.1			
	Provisional List of Documents	WFP/EB.1/2003/INF/3/Rev.1			
	Provisional List of Participants	WFP/EB.1/2003/INF/4/Rev.1			
	Report by the Executive Director on Senior Staff Movements (1 October 2002– 31 January 2003)	WFP/EB.1/2003/INF/5			

^{*} To be issued after endorsement by the Executive Board at its next session.



ANNEX III

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