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Preparedness and Response Enhancement Programme (PREP)

NOTE on a SUSTAINABLE FUNDING STRATEGY for PREP ACTIVITIES

BACKGROUND

1. The more than 60 Preparedness and Response Enhancement Programme (PREP) activities are at different stages of implementation, depending on their nature and urgency. By mid-2014, prior to completion of the PREP programme, all activities will be owned by the relevant divisions/units and funding sources identified in order to prepare for a post-PREP transition. This strategy will help to mainstream all the activities, as required, in WFP's regular functioning and ensure that they are handled with the urgency and priority they deserve by the responsible divisions. The continuation of these activities is imperative for the organization to continue to strengthen its capacity to respond timely and effectively to large-scale emergencies when disasters strikes. PREP activity design to date includes sustainability considerations to the highest extent possible. Additional information on the sustainability strategy, outlining the detailed plan for PREP activities, will follow.

SUSTAINABLE STRATEGY ANALYSIS

2. Since the 2nd quarter of 2012, an analysis of all PREP activities has been carried out by an experienced Senior Budget Analyst to ensure their sustainability. They are analysed individually with respect to their – (i) nature; (ii) funding source; (iii) ownership; and (iv) duration. Based on these parameters, four broad categories have been appropriately identified for their way forward:
 - (i) Investment with no Recurrent Costs Implications;
 - (ii) Investment with Cost Recovery Solutions;
 - (iii) Mainstreaming Through Management Plan/PSA; and
 - (iv) Re-enforcing with Additional Directed (XB) Support.
3. It is expected that more than 50% of the PREP activities will be completed and mainstreamed into WFP's regular work without additional recurrent costs. Most of them will be completed before the end of the PREP period while others will be continued, as applicable, in the respective divisions/units where the activities belong. Preliminary analysis shows that we are likely to face challenges in the areas of UNHRD, rotary air standby facilities and emergency response trainings.
4. One of the main lessons learned from previous emergency preparedness and response strengthening efforts in WFP, dating back to the early 2000's, was a lack of sustainable funding solutions. Over the past several years, while there has been a continuous effort to enhance emergency preparedness and response capabilities, this is one of the first times that sustainable funding issues have been explicitly targeted and analyzed. PREP has identified and linked ownership, funding and sustainability planning. The programme has already received donor's support and funding to start-up a number of these activities.