



Dear Mr Holmes,

The three Rome-based agencies have established a Joint Task Force on Haiti with a focus on providing a strong coordinated response to help the Government of Haiti re-establish food security that encompasses urgent need as well as medium and long-term rebuilding of food production, agricultural rehabilitation and reconstruction.

Since the spring planting season, which provides Haiti with 60 per cent of its locally grown food, is already underway we feel that urgent support to Haiti's agriculture sector is very important and we have prepared a joint plan where FAO and IFAD will provide seeds and inputs and WFP will provide logistical support to ensure that this critical planting season is not lost.

It would therefore be extremely beneficial if appropriate funds could urgently be made available to provide substantial support to the agriculture component of the UN Flash Appeal in order to meet the relevant needs of the Haiti spring planting season in March 2010.

Thanking you for your consideration and support,

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