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# Annotated provisional agenda

# 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 agenda of the 2020 first regular session. 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), as well as an alternate. They shall hold office until their successors are elected. Each member and alternate 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 appoint a rapporteur from among the representatives.

# 3. **Opening remarks by the Executive Director**

Under this item, the Executive Director will make an oral presentation to the Board on current and future strategic issues facing WFP.

On Thursday, 16 April, Special Guest Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General of the World Health Organization, will deliver remarks from Geneva *(to be confirmed)*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The 2020 first regular session of the Executive Board was initially convened on 24 and 25 February 2020, but was postponed to a later date due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

## 4. Policy issues

a) <u>Update on the Integrated Road Map: Proposed delegations of authority and other</u> <u>governance arrangements</u>

Following the implementation of the Integrated Road Map, the Secretariat will present to the Board an update of the delegations of authority, **for its approval**.

For this item, the Board will also have before it, **for information**, the comments and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the FAO Finance Committee.

b) <u>Update on WFP's implementation of United Nations General Assembly</u> resolution 72/279 (repositioning the United Nations development system)<sup>\*</sup>

Board members will receive an update from the Secretariat on the implementation of United Nations General Assembly resolution 72/279, on repositioning the United Nations development system to deliver on the 2030 Agenda. This item is presented to the Board **for information**.

c) <u>Oral update on the implications for WFP of the guidance on United Nations</u> sustainable development cooperation frameworks and common country analyses<sup>\*</sup>

The Secretariat will provide an update on the guidance and on its implications on WFP's work and on the elaboration of the United Nations sustainable development cooperation frameworks. The item will be presented to the Board **for information**.

### 5. **Evaluation reports (for consideration)**

a) <u>Summary report on the strategic evaluation of WFP's capacity to respond to</u> <u>emergencies (2011–2018) and management response</u>

This evaluation will examine the influence of systems and procedures on the scale, coverage, speed and quality of WFP's response, the roles of the coordination and humanitarian clusters and transitions into and out of emergency response.

b) <u>Summary report on the evaluation of the WFP People Strategy (2014–2017) and</u> <u>management response</u>

In line with the agreement that WFP policies be evaluated between four and six years following approval, this evaluation will assess the quality of the WFP People Strategy, its implementation arrangements and results.

### 6. **Operational matters**

a) <u>Revisions of country strategic plans and corresponding budget increases, approved</u> by the Board by correspondence

The Board will have before it, **for information**, the following revision of a country strategic plan approved by correspondence.

1. Cambodia

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>\*</sup> To be discussed at the session.

# b) Reports of the Executive Director on operational matters

1. Revisions of country strategic plans and interim country strategic plans and corresponding budget increases approved by the Executive Director or by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 July–31 December 2019)

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a document summarizing revisions of country strategic plans and interim country strategic plans and corresponding budget increases approved by the Executive Director or by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO within their delegated authority.

 Limited emergency operations and immediate response activities approved by the Executive Director or by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 July–31 December 2019)

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a document summarizing limited emergency operations and immediate response activities approved by the Executive Director, or the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO within their delegated authority.

# 7. Organizational and procedural matters

a) Biennial programme of work of the Executive Board (2020–2021)

Further to a request by the Board at its third regular session in 2004, an updated version of the biennial programme of work (2020–2021) is presented **for information**.

# 8. Summary of the work of the 2019 second regular session of the Executive Board

In accordance with the Board's decision at its 1996 second regular session on its methods of work, the summary of work of the 2019 second regular session will be submitted **for approval**.

### 9. Other business

### a) <u>Matters relating to workplace culture</u>

1. <u>Oral update by the co-chairs of the joint Board/management working group on</u> <u>harassment, sexual harassment, abuse of power and discrimination</u>

The co-chairs of the joint Board/management working group will present an oral update on the work since the last Board session. This item will be presented to the Board **for consideration**.

2. <u>Concrete steps towards implementation of the recommendations of the</u> joint Board/management working group on harassment, sexual harassment, abuse of power and discrimination

The Secretariat will present the concrete steps undertaken towards the implementation of the recommendations made in the report of the joint Board/management working group on harassment, sexual harassment, abuse of power and discrimination which was considered by the Board at its 2019 second regular session. This item will be presented to the Board **for consideration**.

b) Appointment of five Executive Board members to the selection panel for the appointment of one Audit Committee member

The Board approved by vote by correspondence the appointment of five of its members to serve on the panel that will select one Audit Committee member to be appointed or reappointed in 2020. This item will be presented to the Board **for information**.

c) <u>Report on the field visit of the WFP Executive Board to Bangladesh</u>

The report on the 2019 field visit of the WFP Executive Board to Bangladesh will be provided to the Board **for information**.

d) Oral update on preparations for the 2021 United Nations Summit on Food Systems\*

At the request of the Bureau, the Secretariat will provide a regular brief update on the work undertaken by the Rome-based agencies in preparation for the 2021 United Nations Summit on Food Systems. This item will be presented to the Board **for information**.

e) <u>Guidelines for the field visits of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF</u> and UN-Women, and for the joint field visits of the Executive Boards of <u>UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP</u>

The Secretariats of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP are jointly proposing a harmonized set of field visit guidelines to be used as a general frame of reference to be applied in a flexible manner for the preparation of field visits, taking into account the specificities of each agency, country and context. This item will be presented to the Board **for information**.

f) Oral update on WFP's response to COVID-19\*

At the request of the Bureau, the Secretariat will provide an oral update on how WFP is responding to the COVID-19 pandemic and its challenges at country, regional and United Nations level. This item will be presented to the Board **for information**.

### 10. 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.