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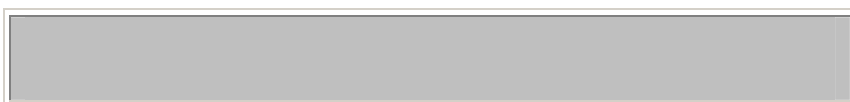
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1. *Adoption of the Agenda*

Pursuant to Rule III of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board, the Executive Director hereby presents, **for approval**, the Provisional Annotated Agenda of the First Regular Session in 2007. 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), who shall hold office until their successors are elected. Each member 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 also appoint a Rapporteur from among the representatives.

3. *Current and Future Strategic Issues*

Under this item, an oral presentation on strategic issues facing WFP will be made to the Board, **for consideration**.

4. *Annual Reports*

➤ Annual Report for 2006 to ECOSOC and FAO Council

The Annual Report to ECOSOC and the FAO Council is presented at the First Regular Session every year in accordance with the Board's 2004 decision on streamlining corporate reporting to the Board and WFP parent bodies (WFP/EB.A/2004/5-F). The report provides a comprehensive picture of WFP's engagement in United Nations system-wide activities, organized according to the common format for United Nations funds and programme reports to ECOSOC and taking into account the comments expressed by the WFP Board on the desired content of the report. This report is presented to the Board **for approval**.

5. *Policy Issues*

a) Ending Child Hunger and Undernutrition Initiative

At its Second Regular Session in 2006, the Board asked the Secretariat for additional information about the Ending Child Hunger and Undernutrition Initiative (ECHUI). This paper and its annexes include clarifications of WFP's role and estimated budget for its participation in the ECHUI workplan, the status of the Partners Group, milestones for 2007–2008, a draft workplan and timetable and terms of reference for the Steering Group and Secretariat. This report is submitted **for approval**; the revised draft of the Global Framework for Action is presented as an addendum to the report.



b) An Update on WFP Interventions in Disaster Preparedness and Mitigation*

This paper, **for information**, summarizes WFP's existing policy framework for implementing measures to mitigate the impact of natural disasters. The paper also provides an update to the Executive Board on the range of programmes and actions undertaken by WFP to support preparedness and mitigation efforts in countries facing recurrent natural disasters.

6. ***Resource, Financial and Budgetary Matters***

a) Update on the WFP Management Plan (2006–2007)

This update to the Management Plan (2006–2007), the fourth such update submitted to the Board, provides an overview of WFP's position with regard to the operational budget presented in the Management Plan, an overview of the implementation of the Programme Support and Administrative (PSA) budget and the status of the PSA Equalization Account and the General Fund. It also outlines a policy on the treatment of variances between standard staff rates and actual staff expenditures. This document is submitted to the Board **for approval**.

The Board will have before it, **for information**, the comments and recommendations of the ACABQ and the FAO Finance Committee.

b) Report of the WFP External Auditor on Treasury Management

Since 2002, WFP has retained significant cash resources. Effective management control is needed to manage and safeguard such large cash assets and to provide WFP with resources to respond rapidly to new emergencies, support ongoing operations and finance obligations arising from past activity. The National Audit Office (NAO) has carried out an independent audit review of WFP's control and custody of cash balances and its arrangements for fund management. This report, submitted to the Board **for its consideration**, presents the conclusions and recommendations of the audit review.

The Board will have before it, **for information**, the comments and recommendations of the ACABQ and the FAO Finance Committee.

c) Progress Report on Implementation of the External Auditor Recommendations on 2004–2005 operations

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

The Board will have before it, **for information**, the comments and recommendations of the ACABQ and the FAO Finance Committee.

d) Comprehensive Review of Governance and Oversight within the United Nations and its Funds, Programmes and Specialized Agencies – Report of the Secretary-General — **withdrawn**

e) External Audit of Funds and Programmes involved in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

In response to questions raised regarding operations of the United Nations system in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), the Secretary-General proposed that an external audit of the Funds and Programmes involved in DPRK should be carried out. This paper, submitted **for approval**, outlines the implications of the Secretary-General's proposal for the World Food Programme and a proposed course of action.



7. *Evaluation reports*

a) Summary Report of the Evaluation of Darfur EMOP 10339.0/1

The evaluation covers the two initial phases of emergency operation (EMOP) 10339.0/1 and examines EMOP operations from April 2004 to December 2005. The evaluation was implemented in two phases, beginning in November 2005, including a first design phase undertaken by Tufts University. The evaluation builds on earlier evaluations, including an OCHA-led inter-agency real-time evaluation of humanitarian assistance to Darfur. This document is submitted to the Board **for consideration**.

b) Summary Report of the Mid-Term Evaluation of the India Country Programme (2003–2007)

The evaluation was conducted in April 2006 by a team of three independent international consultants. It assesses the extent to which the current CP, as implemented, has provided the best possible modalities for reaching the intended objectives, on the basis of results to date. The main purpose of the evaluation was to draw lessons from the capacity and model-building initiatives and advocacy efforts for the design of future WFP assistance to India, as well as for the design and planning of similar efforts in other countries and regions. This document is submitted to the Board **for consideration**.

c) Evaluation of Indonesia Special Operation 10498.0*

At the request of the WFP Ocean Transport Services, this evaluation was conducted in July/August 2006 by two independent consultants. The WFP shipping service for Aceh and Nias in Indonesia was set up in October 2005 to facilitate delivery by sea and logistics coordination of material, in particular shelter material, for rehabilitation and reconstruction of people's livelihoods following the tsunami. The purpose of the evaluation was primarily to learn from the current operation and opportunities emerging from its implementation as well as to inform the design of any new phase. This document is submitted to the Board **for information**.

Operational Matters

8. **Country Programmes**

In October 2002, the Board approved the harmonized procedure for country programme (CP) approval (WFP/EB.3/2002/4-B), whereby draft CPs will be reviewed by the Board at the Annual Session in June. The CP will be then posted on the WFP website and approved at the Second Regular Session on a "no-objection" basis. Since the presentation of the following draft country programmes had to be postponed to the Second Regular Session in 2006, they are submitted **for approval** at the First Regular Session of 2007; they will be discussed if, and only if, five Board members or more request it in writing (WFP/EB.2/2003/INF/6).

- Senegal 10451.0 (2007–2011)
- Zambia 10447.0 (2007–2010)



9. **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:

- The Gambia 10548.0

b) Budget Increases to Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations

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

- Uganda 10121.1

10. **Operational Reports**

➤ Final Report on the Ethiopia Drought Insurance Pilot Project*

The Secretariat will present a final report on the Ethiopia Drought Insurance Pilot Project. This paper, presented **for information**, will cover the performance of the index and commercial contract over the entire contract period from March to October 2006. The report will also discuss lessons learned, the completed implementation plan as well as the integration of drought insurance into Ethiopia's overall food security strategy in the future.

11. **Reports of the Executive Director on Operational Matters**

➤ Emergency Operations Approved by the Executive Director or by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 July–31 December 2006)*

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 the Appendix to the General Rules.

12. **Organizational and Procedural Matters**

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

Further to a request by the Board at its Third Regular Session in 2004, an updated version of the Biennial Programme of Work (2007–2008) is presented **for information**.

13. **Administrative and Managerial Matters**

➤ Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit Relevant to the Work of WFP

The Board, by its decision 2002/EB.2/17, recommended that the document on Joint Inspection Unit (JIU) reports of relevance to the work of WFP, 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 received between the submission of the last Board document and 1 October 2006;
- (ii) a list of all JIU reports issued since the last reporting period; 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 presents to the Board each year at the First Regular Session, a summary report containing the items listed above **for its consideration.**

14. *Summary of the Work of the Second Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2006*

In accordance with the Board's decision at its Second Regular Session in 1996 on its methods of work, the Summary of the Work of the Second Regular Session of 2006 is submitted **for endorsement.**

15. *Other Business*

- Report on the Joint Meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP*

The report of the joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP, which takes place from 19 to 22 January 2007, will be submitted to the Board **for information.**

- Report of the WFP Executive Board members on their visit to Egypt*

The report on the visit by WFP Board members to Egypt will be submitted to the Board **for information.**

16. *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.

* In accordance with the Board's decisions on governance approved at the 2000 Annual and Third Regular Sessions, items for information should not be discussed unless a Board member specifically requests it well in advance of the meeting and the President accepts the request on the grounds that it is a proper use of the Board's time.