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## **DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ANNUAL SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD**

### **Agenda item 11**

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## **DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **Agenda**

The Executive Board adopted the agenda as proposed in documents WFP/EB.A/96/1 and WFP/EB.A/96/1/Corr.1. It decided to discuss the agenda items according to the following sequence: 1, 2, 4, 7, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11 (see Annex I).

*27 May 1996*

### **Appointment of the Rapporteur**

The Board confirmed its decision taken at the Second Regular Session to appoint Ms. Ginette Saint-Cyr (Canada) as Rapporteur of the Annual Session.

*27 May 1996*

### **1996/EB.A/1 Annual Report of the Executive Director**

The Board approved the Annual Report of the Executive Director for 1995 (document WFP/EB.A/96/4) and recommended that future annual reports to the Board provide a more analytical and policy-oriented view of the work of the Programme, following the same style and format as the 1995 Annual Report.

The Board further recommended that WFP, in its reporting, also take a look at the future and submit, for the Board's consideration in the years following the submission of the Strategic and Financial Plan, a paper reviewing the key policy, resource, operational and financial issues likely to face WFP.

*28 May 1996*

### **1996/EB.A/2 Reports to the Economic and Social Council - Follow-up to the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 44/211, 47/199 and 50/120**

The Board approved the proposed report to ECOSOC on the follow-up to the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 44/211, 47/199 and 50/120 (document WFP/EB.A/96/7(Part I)) and recommended that it be submitted to the Council.

*28 May 1996*



1996/EB.A/3 **Reports to the Economic and Social Council - Follow-up to Economic and Social Council resolution 1995/50**

The Board approved the proposed report to the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) on the follow-up to Economic and Social Council resolution 1995/50: Collaboration with the Bretton Woods institutions (document WFP/EB.A/96/7(Part II)) and recommended that it be submitted to the Council.

*28 May 1996*

1996/EB.A/4 **Reports to the Economic and Social Council - Follow-up to Economic and Social Council resolution 1995/51**

The Board approved the proposed report to ECOSOC on the follow-up to Economic and social Council resolution 1995/51: Overall guidance on operational activities for development to the United Nations funds and programmes (document WFP/EB.A/96/7(Part III)) and recommended that it be submitted to the Council.

*28 May 1996*

1996/EB.A/5 **Reports to the Economic and Social Council - Follow-up to Economic and Social Council resolution 1995/56**

The Board decided that the Programme respond to the request contained in paragraph 3(c) of ECOSOC resolution 1995/56 - "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations", by submitting to ECOSOC a report on the progress achieved in the review of the issues involved, highlighting those matters discussed at the Board's Annual Session. The Bureau of the Executive Board would clear the final text.

The Board requested the WFP Secretariat to pursue its dialogue with the Inter-agency Standing Committee (IASC) on specific proposals on the distribution of operational responsibilities between organizations/programmes/funds. Resulting Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) would specify respective responsibilities. All results should be brought to the Board's attention.

It further recommended that the Executive Director's report to the Board's Third Regular Session specifically respond to the issues discussed at the Annual Session. It also asked that the report present an analysis of the policy, operational and financial implications of the proposed additional activities, including proposals to strengthen the capacity of WFP. Once the review of the issues was completed, the Board would request WFP to forward its response to the Council's resolution 1995/56.

*28 May 1996*



1996/EB.A/6 **Report of the Executive Board to ECOSOC and the FAO Council on the activities of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes (CFA) in 1995**

The Board approved the proposed report of the Executive Board to ECOSOC and the FAO Council on the activities of the CFA in 1995 (document WFP/EB.A/96/5). It recommended that it be forwarded to these Councils.

*28 May 1996*

1996/EB.A/7 **Reform and revitalization measures in the World Food Programme**

The Board appreciated the reform and revitalization measures undertaken in WFP over the last several years and approved the document outlining them (document WFP/EB.A/96/6). It recommended that the document be transmitted to ECOSOC and the FAO Council for information. It also requested the Executive Director to propose for future Board sessions further measures designed to continue the process of reform.

*28 May 1996*

1996/EB.A/8 **Resource and financial matters: Budgetary performance report 1994-95**

The Board took note of WFP's budgetary performance during the period 1994-95 (document WFP/EB.A/96/8), and appreciated the achievements in operational initiatives generating cost reduction and savings in the programme support and administrative (PSA) expenditure.

The Board endorsed the Executive Director's decision to use savings from the authorized PSA budget to meet recurring expenditures of 700,000 dollars for the Financial Management Improvement Programme (FMIP) and to transfer 5.5 million dollars from the regular programme to a special operation in 1995 for the same purpose.

*28 May 1996*

1996/EB.A/9 **Composition of WFP international professional staff**

The Board, taking note with appreciation of the document (WFP/EB.A/96/9-A) submitted by the Secretariat, recommended that reports of that kind be prepared on an annual basis.

*29 May 1996*



**1996/EB.A/10 Status report: Provisional WFP headquarters building**

The Board, indicating that it regarded the condition of the WFP headquarters building as totally unsatisfactory, directed the Secretariat to negotiate further with the Italian authorities, with the participation of the Bureau and other interested Member States, as required, with a view to presenting at the Third Regular Session a satisfactory and definitive solution to the current unacceptable state of the WFP premises.

*29 May 1996*

**1996/EB.A/11 Enhancing the internal oversight mechanisms in operational funds and programmes**

The Board took note of the draft report of the Secretary-General on enhancing internal oversight mechanisms in operational funds and programmes (document WFP/EB.A/96/10). It requested the Executive Director to inform the Secretary-General on the progress already achieved by WFP on the proposed recommendations. It requested that the reports of the WFP Office of Inspection and Investigation (OEDI) be submitted to the Board at the time of presentation of the External Auditor's reports. With regard to recommendation 7, the Board decided that those OEDI reports, together with the Board's comments, could then be forwarded to the Office of Internal Oversight Services (OIOS).

*29 May 1996*

**1996/EB.A/12 Revision of WFP's Financial Regulations and General Regulations**

The Board took note of the information paper on the revision of WFP's Financial Regulations and General Regulations (document WFP/EB.A/96/INF/6) and agreed to the provisional work plan contained in that document. It decided that the open-ended working group should work in close dialogue with the Secretariat and establish its own *modus operandi*.

*29 May 1996*



**ANNEX I**

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**AGENDA**

*Adoption of the agenda* (provisional agenda item 1)

*Appointment of the Rapporteur(s)* (provisional agenda item 2)

*Annual report of the Executive Director* (provisional agenda item 4)

*Reports to the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)* (provisional agenda item 7)

Part I Follow-up to the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 44/211, 47/199 and 50/120

Part II Follow-up to Economic and Social Council resolution 1995/50: Collaboration with the Bretton Woods institutions

Part III Follow-up to Economic and Social Council resolution 1995/51

Part IV Follow-up to Economic and Social Council resolution 1995/56: Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations

*Report of the Executive Board to ECOSOC and the FAO Council on the activities of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes (CFA) in 1995*  
(provisional agenda item 5)

*Reform and revitalization measures in the World Food Programme*  
(provisional agenda item 6)

*Resource and financial matters: Budgetary performance report 1994-95*  
(provisional agenda item 8)

*Administrative matters* (provisional agenda item 9)

- a) Composition of WFP international professional staff
- b) Refurbishing of WFP Headquarters' building

*Other business* (provisional agenda item 10)

*Verification of the adopted decisions and recommendations* (provisional agenda item 11)



## ANNEX II

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**LIST OF DOCUMENTS FOR THE ANNUAL SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD**


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8	Report on budgetary performance, 1994-95	8
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	Comments of the FAO Finance Committee	8/Add.2
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\* As it appears in document WFP/EB.A/96/1.

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	Note for participants	INF/1/Add.1
	Provisional timetable	INF/2
	Provisional check list of documents	INF/3
	Revised list of participants	INF/4/Rev.1
	Offices and telephone numbers	INF/5
	Information paper on the Open-ended Working Group on the revision of WFP's Financial Regulations and General Regulations	INF/6



## ANNEX III

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