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# OUTLINE OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD'S PROGRAMME OF WORK FOR 1998

Agenda item 10

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1. Paragraph 26 of United Nations General Assembly resolution 48/162 stipulates that the Executive Boards of the United Nations Funds and Programmes meet in an annual session at such a time as they determine. Paragraph 27 of the same resolution provides that these Boards hold regular sessions between the annual sessions.
  2. To enhance transparency in the conduct of business and in the interaction between the Boards and the Funds and Programmes, the resolution also calls for regular briefings and information meetings to be held by the Funds and Programmes for all Member States.
  3. In this connection, the Bureau agreed to meetings of Member States in the following fora, expected to enhance efficient and effective governance: a) formal Executive Board sessions, to be kept to a minimum duration and to focus on issues which require decisions and recommendations, and other matters on which the Board has requested WFP to provide documents for its consideration; b) consultations on resources; c) open-ended informal information meetings; and d) working group meetings of the Executive Board.
  4. The purpose of this document is to present to the Executive Board the sequence of the Board's 1998 formal sessions, the dates foreseen for those sessions and their respective provisional agendas. Annex I provides a tentative calendar of meetings of interest to members and observers.
  5. The proposed schedule of sessions and the allocation of agenda items take into account the guidance provided by the Board during its consideration of the 1997 programme of work. Three days have been tentatively scheduled for the First Regular Session, and four days each for the Annual, the Second and the Third Regular Sessions.
  6. The attached provisional programme of work for 1998 is submitted to the Executive Board for its approval.



















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PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF WORK FOR 1998**

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<p><b>1) Organizational and procedural matters</b> Election of officers of the Executive Board</p> <p><b>2) Financial and budgetary matters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Funding of after-service medical liabilities</li> <li>- Actual appointment of External Auditors for the period 1998-2001</li> </ul> <p><b>3) Operational matters</b></p> <p>a) <u>Evaluation and terminal reports</u></p> <p>i) Interim evaluations of development projects</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Burkina Faso 332601</p> <p>ii) Sectoral/thematic evaluations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Food assistance and natural resources</li> </ul>	<p><b>1) Operational matters</b></p> <p>a) <u>Evaluation and terminal reports</u></p> <p>i) Interim evaluations of development projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- India 2206 Exp.6</li> <li>- Madagascar 4553</li> </ul> <p>ii) Joint evaluations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Nepal 5572</li> <li>- Former Yugoslavia 5142 Exp.4</li> <li>- WFP/UNHCR/UNICEF tripartite exercise on lessons learned regarding operational coordination in the Great Lakes</li> </ul> <p>b) <u>Country Programmes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- El Salvador</li> <li>- Ethiopia</li> <li>- Malawi</li> <li>- Nicaragua</li> <li>- Senegal</li> </ul> <p>c) <u>CSOs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Burkina Faso</li> <li>- Ecuador</li> </ul>	<p><b>1) Annual reports</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Annual report of the ED</li> <li>- Report on emergency relief activities</li> <li>- Annual report of the Executive Board to ECOSOC and the FAO Council</li> </ul> <p><b>2) Financial and budgetary matters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of the first two years of implementation of the resourcing and long-term financing policy</li> </ul> <p><b>3) Policy issues/Reporting to ECOSOC</b></p> <p>a) Reports on follow-up to the implementation of UNGA resolutions, and/or ECOSOC decisions of the previous year</p> <p>b) Strategies for transition from relief to development</p> <p><b>4) Reports by the Joint Inspection Unit</b></p>	<p><b>1) Organizational and procedural matters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Annual programme of work for 1999</li> <li>- Methods of work and Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board</li> </ul> <p><b>2) Financial and budgetary matters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Biennial accounts 1996-97</li> <li>- Report of the External Auditor -Progress report on the implementation of the External Auditor's recommendations, 1994-95 and 1996-97</li> <li>- Budgetary performance report (biennium 1996-97)</li> <li>- Financial rules</li> </ul> <p><b>3) Operational matters</b></p> <p>a) <u>Evaluation and terminal reports</u></p>

<sup>1</sup> IFAD EB will decide Governing Council dates in September 1997

<sup>2</sup> Depending on EB1/98

<sup>3</sup> ACC schedule, dates of meetings not yet established

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<p>- Food aid strategies for indigenous communities in food-assisted projects in Latin America</p> <p>b) <u>Country programmes</u></p> <p>- Guatemala</p> <p>- Honduras</p> <p>c) <u>CSOs</u></p> <p>- Dominican Republic</p> <p>d) <u>Development projects</u></p> <p>None</p> <p>e) <u>Protracted refugee and displaced person projects</u></p>	<p>- Madagascar</p> <p>- Nepal</p> <p>- Sri Lanka</p> <p>- Uganda</p> <p>d) <u>Development projects</u> (including progress report on WFP development portfolio)</p> <p>i) Development projects for EB approval</p> <p>- Bhutan 5822</p> <p>- Cameroon - School feeding</p> <p>- Côte d'Ivoire 335802</p> <p>- Dominican Republic 279802</p> <p>- Sri Lanka 5708</p> <p>- Sudan 5745</p> <p>ii) Budget increases for EB approval</p> <p>Burkina Faso 3326</p> <p>iii) Development projects approved by the ED</p> <p>e) <u>Protracted refugee and displaced person projects for EB approval</u></p>	<p>a) Strengthening Field Representation of the United Nations System</p> <p>b) Execution of humanitarian assistance through implementing partners</p> <p>5) <b>Operational matters</b></p> <p>a) <u>Evaluation and terminal reports</u></p> <p>- Evaluation work plan for 1999-2000</p> <p>b) <u>Report on post-delivery losses</u> (period Oct.96- Sept. 97)</p> <p>6) <b>Administrative and managerial matters</b></p>	<p>i) Terminal evaluations</p> <p>- Namibia 4500</p> <p>ii) Programme evaluations</p> <p>- WFP support to Tunisia</p> <p>iii) Evaluation of emergency operations</p> <p>- Tajikistan 5253</p> <p>iv) Sectoral/Thematic evaluations</p>

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<p>i) Protracted refugee and displaced person projects for EB approval</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Angola 0000</li> <li>- Iran 4161</li> <li>- Iran 4258</li> <li>- Uganda 562301</li> </ul> <p>ii) Protracted refugee and displaced person projects with budget revision for EB approval</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Afghanistan 508604</li> <li>- Pakistan 425607</li> </ul> <p>f) <u>Progress reports</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ghana 4932</li> <li>- Kenya 266901</li> <li>- Senegal 386701</li> </ul> <p><b>4) Policy issues</b></p> <p>a) Secretariat's proposals for streamlining reporting to the Executive Board</p> <p>b) Information paper: Progress report on WFP's implementation of the World Food Summit Plan of Action</p> <p><b>5) Administrative and managerial matters</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Djibouti 496003</li> <li>- Kenya 0000</li> <li>- Sierra Leone 0000</li> <li>- Sudan 0000</li> <li>- Zambia 542803</li> </ul> <p>f) <u>Progress reports</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Benin 5208</li> <li>- Benin 5215</li> <li>- Chad 3499</li> <li>- Haiti 558301</li> <li>- Sao Tome and Principe 5392</li> <li>- Viet Nam 384401</li> </ul> <p><b>2) Policy issues</b></p> <p>Report on the implementation of WFP's commitments to women</p> <p><b>3) Financial and budgetary matters</b></p> <p>Preliminary assessment of FMIP effects</p> <p><b>4) Governance matters</b></p> <p>Working methods of the EB and rules of procedure (for approval - REC)</p>	<p>Progress report on the implementation of WFP's commitment to diversify its international professional staff in terms of gender and nationality</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Settlement projects/Settlement in post-conflict situations</li> <li>- Review of key strategic issues in WFP-assisted emergency operations</li> </ul> <p>b) <u>Country Programmes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Kenya</li> <li>- Mali</li> <li>- Niger</li> <li>- Pakistan</li> </ul> <p>c) <u>CSOs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Benin</li> <li>- Chad</li> <li>- Guinea</li> <li>- Lesotho</li> </ul> <p>d) <u>Development projects</u></p> <p>i) Development projects for EB approval</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bhutan 373402</li> <li>- DR Congo 0000</li> <li>- Ecuador 309602</li> <li>- Gambia - School feeding</li> <li>- Guinea Bissau - Vulnerable groups</li> <li>- Guinea Bissau - School feeding</li> <li>- Tanzania 0000</li> <li>- Uganda 264203</li> </ul> <p>ii) Development projects approved by the ED</p>

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<p>WFP purchases of food and non food items (1995-96); opportunities for regional and triangular transactions</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bolivia 280101</li> <li>e) <u>Protracted refugee and displaced person projects</u></li> <li>i) Protracted refugee and displaced person projects for EB approval               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Afghanistan 508605</li> <li>- Algeria 415507</li> <li>- Nepal 532403</li> <li>- Pakistan 425608</li> </ul> </li> <li>f) <u>Progress reports</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cape Verde 239405</li> <li>- Dominican Republic 5276</li> <li>- Gambia 272902</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<b>TENTATIVE CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS OF INTEREST TO WFP JANUARY - DECEMBER 1998</b>
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DATE	NAME	PLACE
19 - 23 January	UNDP/UNFPA Executive Board, First Regular Session	New York
26 - 30 January	UNICEF Executive Board, First Regular Session	New York
<b>week 4 - 6 February</b>	<b>WFP Executive Board, First Regular Session<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Rome</b>
3 - 6 February	ECOSOC, Organizational Session	New York
9 - 10 February	IFAD 20th Anniversary Celebrations	Rome
9 - 13 February	FAO Regional Conference for Africa	Addis Ababa
11 - 13 February	IFAD Governing Council, 21st Session	Rome
21 - 25 March	FAO Regional Conference for the Near East	Damascus
24 - 25 March	UNICEF Executive Board, Second Regular Session	New York
30 March - 2 April	UNESCO Intergovernmental Conference on Cultural Policies for Development	Stockholm
April (2nd week)	ACC, First Regular Session	Geneva
15 - 16 April	FAO Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters, 68th Session	Rome
20 - 24 April	UNDP/UNFPA Executive Board, Second Regular Session	New York
20 - 24 April	FAO Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific	Yangon
20 - 24 April	IFAD Executive Board, First Regular Session	Rome
4 - 8 May	FAO Programme Committee, 79th Session	Rome
4 - 8 May	FAO Finance Committee, 89th Session	Rome
7 - 8 May	ECOSOC, Resumed Organizational Session	New York
<b>week 12 - 15 May</b>	<b>WFP Executive Board, Second Regular Session</b>	<b>Rome</b>
May	WHO, World Health Assembly, 51st Session	Geneva

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DATE	NAME	PLACE
<b>week 18 - 21 May</b>	<b>WFP Executive Board, Annual Session</b>	<b>Rome</b>
25 - 29 May	FAO Regional Conference for Europe	Tallinn
May - July	ACABQ	New York
1 - 5 June	FAO Committee on World Food Security	Rome
1 - 5 June	UNICEF Executive Board, Annual Session	New York
8 - 10 June	UN General Assembly, Special Session on the question of narcotic drugs	New York
8 - 13 June	FAO Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean	Nassau
8 - 19 June	UNDP/UNFPA Executive Board, Annual Session	Geneva
6 - 31 July	ECOSOC, Substantive Session	New York
7 - 11 September	IFAD Executive Board, Second Regular Session	Rome
8 - 11 September	UNICEF Executive Board, Third Regular Session	New York
14 - 18 September	UNDP/UNFPA Executive Board, Third Regular Session	New York
15 Sept. - 23 Dec.	UN General Assembly, 53rd Session	New York
21 - 25 September	FAO Programme Committee, 80th Session	Rome
21 - 25 September	FAO Finance Committee, 90th Session	Rome
29 - 30 September	FAO Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters, 69th Session	Rome
Sept. - Dec.	ACABQ	New York
October - (1 week)	UNHCR Executive Committee, 49th Session	Geneva
16 October	FAO World Food Day	Rome
<b>week 20 - 23 October</b>	<b>WFP Executive Board, Third Regular Session</b>	<b>Rome</b>

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Oct./Nov (2 days)	ACC, Second Regular Session	New York
November - (1 day)	UN Pledging Conference for Development Activities	New York
1 - 4 December	IFAD Executive Board, Third Regular Session	Rome
23 - 28 November	FAO Council, 115th Session	Rome
7 - 10 December	FAO Committee on Commodity Problems	Rome

To be determined:

- Consultative Committee on Administrative Questions (CCAQ PER and FB)
- CCPOQ
- DHA Interagency Standing Committee
- International Civil Service Commission (ICSC)
- IFAD Executive Board (to be decided in September at EB meeting)
- JCGP High-Level Meeting and General Meeting
- Organizational Committee of ACC and ACC sessions
- UNHCR Executive Standing Committee