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1. The Open-Ended Working Group, at its meeting held on 20 March 1997, recommended the following amendments to the proposed General Rules:

<REPLACE PROPOSED GENERAL RULE II.2 BY THE TEXT BELOW:>

Rule II.2: Programme categories

In order to carry out the purposes of WFP, the Board establishes the following programme categories:

- (a) Development Programme Category, for food aid programmes and projects, to support economic and social development. This programme category includes rehabilitation and disaster preparedness programmes projects and technical assistance to help developing countries establish or improve their own food assistance programmes;
- (b) Emergency Relief Programme Category, for food assistance to meet emergency needs;
- (c) Protracted Relief Programme Category, for food assistance to meet protracted relief needs; and
- (d) Special Operations Programme Category, for activities to rehabilitate and enhance transport infrastructure, if necessary, to permit speedy and efficient delivery of food assistance to meet emergency and protracted relief needs.

<REPLACE PROPOSED GENERAL RULE XIII.2: PURPOSES FOR WHICH CONTRIBUTIONS MAY BE MADE, BY THE TEXT BELOW:>

Rule XIII.2: Specification of contributions

Contributions for the purposes of WFP as set out in General Regulation II may be made without restriction as to use or for one or more of the following:

- (a) programme categories
- (b) specific country programmes, projects or activities within programme categories; or
- (c) such other activities as the Board may decide from time to time.



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<FURTHER TO THE SUGGESTION MADE AT THE INFORMAL CONSULTATION OF 12 MARCH 1997, THE OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP RECOMMENDED THAT THE TEXT OF FORMER FINANCIAL REGULATION 8.7 BE ADDED TO GENERAL RULE VII.1 AS FOLLOWS:>

Rule VII.1: Responsibilities of the Executive Director for programmes, projects and other activities

The Executive Director shall be responsible for assuring that programmes, projects and other activities to be implemented are sound, carefully planned and directed towards valid objectives, for assuring the mobilization of the necessary technical and administrative skills, and for assessing the ability of recipient countries to carry out the programmes, projects and other activities. The Executive Director shall be responsible for assuring supply of commodities and acceptable services as agreed. **The Executive Director shall make arrangements for the evaluation of country programmes, projects and other activities.** The Executive Director shall have the responsibility to seek, in consultation with recipient governments, correction of any inadequacies in the operation of programmes, projects and other activities, and may withdraw assistance in the event essential corrections are not made. [Art.VII.1]

