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Revision of Armenia transitional interim country strategic plan

	Current	Change	Revised
Duration	1 January–31 December 2018	1 January–30 June 2019	1 January 2018–30 June 2019
Beneficiaries	68 500	0	68 500
<i>(USD)</i>			
Total cost	5 426 626	2 778 104	8 204 730
Transfer	4 241 819	2 239 068	6 480 887
Implementation	435 522	171 080	606 602
Adjusted direct support costs	418 082	198 401	616 483
Subtotal	5 095 423	2 608 549	7 703 972
Indirect support costs (6.5 percent)	331 203	169 555	500 758

Gender and age marker* 2A

* <http://gender.manuals.wfp.org/en/gender-toolkit/gender-in-programming/gender-and-age-marker/>

Decision

The Board approved by correspondence the revision of the Armenia transitional interim country strategic plan and corresponding budget increase of USD 2,778,104 outlined in the present document.

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Rationale

1. The current transitional interim country strategic plan (T-ICSP), covering the period 1 January-31 December 2018, has provided the opportunity for WFP to support the Government of Armenia in conducting a national food security and nutrition strategic review. The review was finalized in January 2018 and culminated in six main recommendations on how Armenia, with its national and international partners, could achieve food and nutrition security. The review included several rounds of consultations with the Government of Armenia, donors, United Nations organizations and the private sector and has informed the design of future WFP operations in Armenia.
2. The strategic direction of a country strategic plan (CSP) for Armenia for 2019–2023 was discussed with the Government of Armenia in early 2018. With the appointment of a new Government, however, a new round of government consultations is now required. The consultations will focus on the main strategic outcomes and activities of the proposed CSP and the resources and funding required to implement them.
3. It is proposed that the end date of the current transitional ICSP be extended for six months – to 30 June 2019 – to give WFP and the Government of Armenia time to consult with stakeholders and partners and to explore new opportunities for long-term collaboration under a CSP for 2019–2023.

Changes

Strategic orientation

4. There will be no strategic changes during the extension of the current transitional ICSP. Outcomes and activities will remain the same.

Beneficiary analysis

5. No changes in the beneficiary caseload are envisaged.

TABLE 1: FOOD AND CASH TRANSFER BENEFICIARIES BY STRATEGIC OUTCOME AND ACTIVITY										
Strategic outcome	Activity	Current			January–June 2019			Revised		
		Girls/ women	Boys /men	Total	Girls/ women	Boys /men	Total	Girls/ women	Boys /men	Total
1	Activity 2: Conduct school meals activities (in-kind and cash-based transfers) for targeted schools and children	31 850	36 650	68 500	31 850	36 650	68 500	31 850	36 650	68 500
Total		31 850	36 650	68 500	31 850	36 650	68 500	31 850	36 650	68 500

Transfers

6. The ration size, food basket composition, cash-based transfer value and calorie intake will remain the same during the proposed extension.

Food type/cash-based transfer	Current budget		Increase		Revised budget	
	Total (mt)	Total (USD)	Total (mt)	Total (USD)	Total (mt)	Total (USD)
Cereals	2 233	1 612 653	1 230	611 250	3 463	2 223 903
Pulses	196	117 600	105	63 000	301	180 600
Oil and fats	147	235 200	80	132 000	227	367 200
Mixed and blended foods						
Other						
Total (food)	2 576	1 965 453	1 415	806 250	3 991	2 771 703
Cash-based transfers (USD)		350 526		208 421		558 947
Total (food and CBT value in USD)	2 576	2 315 979	1 415	1 014 671	3 991	3 330 650

Supply chain

7. There are currently no logistic or other supply chain challenges to be addressed. The country office does not foresee any such challenges in the near future.

Cost breakdown

	Strategic Result 1/ SDG Target 2.1	Total
	Strategic outcome 1	
Focus area	Root causes	
Transfer	2 239 068	2 239 068
Implementation	171 080	171 080
Adjusted direct support costs		198 401
Subtotal		2 608 549
Indirect support costs (6.5%)		169 555
Total		2 778 104

TABLE 4: COST BREAKDOWN OF THE FULL T-ICSP FOLLOWING THE REVISION (USD)		
	Strategic Result 1/ SDG Target 2.1	Total
	Strategic outcome 1	
Focus area	Root causes	
Transfer	6 480 887	6 480 887
Implementation	606 602	606 602
Adjusted direct support costs	616 483	616 483
Subtotal	7 703 972	7 703 972
Indirect support costs (6.5%)	500 758	500 758
Total	8 204 730	8 204 730