

Executive Board Second Regular Session Rome, 14–18 November 2016

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Annotated Provisional Agenda

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 Agenda of the Second Regular Session of 2016. 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 for Vacant Positions in the Bureau and Appointment of the Rapporteur

The Board shall elect one Bureau member and one Bureau member alternate to replace representatives who have left.

Pursuant to Rule XII and in keeping with the established methods of work, the Board may appoint a Rapporteur from among the representatives.

3. Opening Remarks by the Executive Director

Under this item, the Executive Director will make an oral presentation to the Board on current and future strategic issues facing WFP.

4. Policy Issues

a) WFP Strategic Plan (2017–2021)

The WFP Strategic Plan (2017–2021) will represent a significant change for WFP's vision for zero hunger. Building on the findings from the mid-term review of the Strategic Plan (2014–2017), it will enable WFP to demonstrate its contribution to achieving zero hunger worldwide by aligning its Strategic Objectives with the relevant goals, targets and indicators of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The Strategic Plan (2017–2021) will integrate critical outcomes of other major 2015–2016 conferences such as the World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction, the Third International Conference on Financing for Development and the United Nations Climate Change Conference. It will also take into account opportunities and address emerging challenges based on lessons learned from policy, programme and operation evaluations and assessments, the annual report on WFP's role in the collective humanitarian response and consultations with the Board and other stakeholders. This item is presented to the Board **for approval**.

The Board will also have before it, **for information**, the comments and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) Finance Committee.

b) Corporate Results Framework (2017–2021)

The alignment of the new Strategic Plan with the Sustainable Development Goals and the revision of WFP's financial framework, presents an opportunity to integrate the Strategic Results Framework and the Management Results Framework into a single Corporate Results Framework (CRF). The consolidated CRF will streamline and simplify WFP's corporate reporting structure. Building around the new financial framework and results chain, the revised structure will simplify performance management at the country office level. It will support effective, efficient and economic management of operations while enhancing accountability and transparency. This item is presented to the Board **for approval**.

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

c) Policy on Country Strategic Plans

Since 2014, WFP has been developing and testing a new approach to strategic and operational planning that uses a revised process of country-level engagement. The approach demonstrates the importance WFP places on high-level engagement with national and international work on hunger, including Sustainable Development Goal 2. The objectives of the approach are to: i) support countries in progressing toward zero hunger; ii) operationalize WFP's Strategic Plan at the country level, including the delivery of humanitarian assistance; and iii) improve WFP strategic positioning at national and global levels. The new policy involves adoption of a Country Strategic Plan as the sole country-level strategic, programmatic and governance document in lieu of most project documents. This item will also provide an opportunity to outline the changes that are envisaged for the WFP Rules and Regulations and that will be presented to the Board for its review and approval in 2017. It is presented to the Board **for approval**.

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

d) <u>Collaboration among the United Nations Rome-based Agencies: Delivering on the</u> <u>2030 Agenda</u>

At its Second Regular Session in 2015, the Board asked the Secretariats of the Rome-based Agencies to prepare a joint concept paper outlining their joint contributions towards implementing the 2030 Agenda. This item is presented to the Board **for consideration**.

e) <u>Update on Collaboration among the Rome-based Agencies</u>^{*}

At its Second Regular Session in 2010, the Board asked the Secretariat to report annually on Rome-based agency collaboration as a follow-up to "Directions for Collaboration among the Rome-based Agencies" (WFP/EB.2/2009/11-C). The report provides a comprehensive overview on the collaboration, along with any new areas of collaboration, initiatives and partnerships for food and nutrition security. This item is presented to the Board **for information**.

5. Resource, Financial and Budgetary Matters

a) WFP Management Plan (2017–2019)

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the Management Plan for the period 2017–2019, including WFP's budget for 2017.

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

^{*} In accordance with the Board's decisions on governance approved at the Annual Session and Third Regular Session of 2000, 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.

b) Financial Framework Review

At its Annual Session in 2014, the Board asked the Secretariat to implement the next phase of the Financial Framework Review as outlined in WFP/EB.A/2014/6-D/1. This document will provide an update of the progress made and will present the final proposals for the Financial Framework Review to be approved by the Board. This item will also provide an opportunity to outline the changes that are envisaged for the WFP Rules and Regulations and that will be presented to the Board for its review and approval in 2017. It is presented to the Board for approval.

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

c) <u>Work Plan of the External Auditor</u>*

This document presents the work plan of the External Auditor, detailing the audit activities for the period 2016–2017. Adherence to International Standards on Auditing and proven audit methods will form the basis of the External Auditor's assurance of providing high-quality services to WFP. The work plan covers financial, performance and compliance audits as well as quality reviews and individual audit assessments. This item is presented to the Board **for information**.

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

6. *Evaluation Reports*

a) <u>Summary Evaluation Report – Burundi Country Portfolio (2011–2015) and</u> <u>Management Response</u>

The evaluation provides an analysis and assessment of the portfolio over a five-year period assessing: i) how well WFP is aligned with the context, people's needs, government policies and partner strategies; ii) the drivers and quality of strategic choices; and iii) portfolio performance and results. The evaluation findings and recommendations will inform the country office's strategic direction, planning and implications for programme implementation. This item is presented to the Board **for consideration**.

b) <u>Summary Evaluation Report – Iraq Country Portfolio (2010–2015) and</u> <u>Management Response</u>

The evaluation provides an analysis and assessment of the portfolio over a five-year period assessing: i) how well WFP is aligned with the context, people's needs, government policies and partner strategies; ii) the drivers and quality of strategic choices; and iii) portfolio performance and results. The evaluation findings and recommendations will inform the country office's strategic direction, planning and implications for programme implementation. This item is presented to the Board **for consideration**.

c) Synthesis Report of Operation Evaluations (2015–2016)

This synthesis report summarizes the findings and recommendations emerging from the single-operation evaluations conducted over the preceding year to identify opportunities for systemic improvement. Single-operation evaluations focus on the appropriateness and efficiency of a single operation in achieving its objectives, compliance with international and WFP policy norms and standards, and the adequacy of the operation's design, implementation and results. This item is presented to the Board **for consideration**.

Operational Matters

7. Country programmes

The Board will have before it, for approval, the following country programme:

➤ Côte d'Ivoire 200960 (2017–2020)

8. Projects for Executive Board Approval

a) Budget increases to development activities

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following budget increases to development activities exceeding the Executive Director's delegated authority:

- Burkina Faso CP 200163
- Burundi CP 200119
- ➢ Ghana CP 200247
- > Malawi CP 200287
- b) Protracted relief and recovery operations

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

- Niger 200961
- Syrian Refugee Crisis (Regional) 200987
- Syrian Arab Republic 200988
- ➢ Ukraine 200953
- c) Budget increases to protracted relief and recovery operations

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

- > Afghanistan 200447
- Chad 200713
- Madagascar 200735
- State of Palestine 200709
- South Sudan 200572

9. Reports of the Executive Director on Operational Matters

a) <u>Budget Increases to PRROs Approved by the Executive Director</u> (1 January-30 June 2016)^{*}

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a document summarizing budget increases to PRROs approved by the Executive Director within her delegated authority.

b) <u>Emergency Operations Approved by the Executive Director or by the Executive Director</u> and the Director-General of FAO (1 January–30 June 2016)^{*}

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a document summarizing emergency operations approved by the Executive Director, or the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO, under the authority delegated in subparagraph (b) of the Appendix to the General Rules.

10. Projects Approved by Correspondence

Budget increases to protracted relief and recovery operations*

The Board will have before it, **for information**, the following budget increase to a PRRO, approved by correspondence by the Board following the Annual Session in 2016:

> Haiti 200618

11. Organizational and Procedural Matters

> Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2017–2018)

Pursuant to Rule III of the Rules of Procedure, the Board will have before it, **for approval**, its Biennial Programme of Work (2017–2018).

12. Administrative and Managerial Matters

> Appointment of the Director of Evaluation

Pursuant to the Evaluation Policy (2016–2021) approved by the Board in November 2015 and to the WFP Evaluation Charter issued in May 2016, the Executive Director will recommend to the Board, **for approval**, the proposed candidate to the post of Director of Evaluation.

13. Summary of the Work of the Annual Session of the Executive Board, 2016

In accordance with the Board's decision at its Second Regular Session in 1996 on its methods of work, the Summary of Work of the Annual Session of 2016 is submitted **for approval**.

14. Other Business

Report on the Joint Field Visit of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP to the Kyrgyz Republic*

A report of the joint field visit of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women, and WFP to the Kyrgyz Republic is submitted to the Board **for information**.

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

The report of the joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP will be presented orally to the Board **for information**.

15. 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.