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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 2017. 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. Appointment of the Rapporteur

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.

Statements by special guests

Special Guest, Ms Amina J. Mohammed, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations

High-Level Guest, Her Excellency Fiorella Molinelli Aristondo, Minister of Development and Social Inclusion, Special Representative of the President of Peru, His Excellency Pedro Pablo Kuczynski

4. Policy issues

a) Update on the Integrated Road Map

Following the approval of the integrated road map at the second regular session of 2016, the Secretariat will present an update on the implementation of the different components of the IRM and will report on progress and on any needed adjustments. This item is presented to the Board **for approval**.

b) Emergency preparedness policy

In the face of changing humanitarian contexts, this policy fills a critical gap in WFP policies originally identified in the 2011 "Compendium of WFP Policies Relating to the Strategic Plan" (WFP/EB.2/2011/4-B). It sets out WFP's approach to emergency preparedness, basing it on the principles of accountability, transparency and risk management. The policy builds on the updated emergency preparedness framework and reflects the findings of the evaluation of the preparedness enhancement programme. This item is presented to the Board **for approval**.

c) Progress report on Rome-based agencies collaboration

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 consideration**.

d) Update on the implementation plan of the nutrition policy

Following the approval of the nutrition policy at the first regular session in 2017, the Secretariat will present to the Board an update of the implementation of the policy. This item is presented to the Board **for consideration**.

e) Compendium of policies relating to the strategic plan*

At its annual session in 2000, the Board approved the recommendations contained in the Report of the Working Group on Governance (decision 2000/EB.A/6). Governance recommendation (d) established that WFP policy statements should be codified in a compendium. At the Board's request in 2010, the compendium has been reorganized to focus on policies relating to the goals in the strategic plan. This item is presented to the Board **for information**.

5. Resource, financial and budgetary matters

a) WFP Management Plan (2018–2020)

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the management plan for the period 2018–2020, including WFP's budget for 2018.

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) Revised terms of reference of the Audit Committee

The terms of reference of the Audit Committee (AC) were initially approved by the Board at its second regular session of 2011 and a revision was approved at the annual session of 2017. When approving this revision, the Board requested that additional changes of the terms of reference be considered with regard to the cooling-off periods, the selection process and indemnifications for AC members. This document presents the proposed adjustments **for approval** by the Board.

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

c) Work plan of the External Auditor*

This document presents the work plan of the External Auditor, detailing the audit activities for the period 2017–2018. 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.

^{*} 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 Chair accepts the request on the grounds that it is a proper use of the Board's time.

6. Evaluation reports

a) <u>Summary evaluation report – South Sudan country portfolio (2011–2016) and 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 **for consideration**.

b) Synthesis report of operation evaluations (2016–2017)

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 **for consideration.**

7. Operational matters

a) Country strategic plans

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following country strategic plans:

- Guatemala (2018–2021)
- Kyrgyzstan (2018–2022)
- Myanmar (2018–2022)
- Peru (2018–2022)
- > Sri Lanka (2018–2022)
- > State of Palestine (2018–2022)
- Uganda (2018–2022)

b) <u>Interim country strategic plans</u>

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following interim country strategic plans:

- Central African Republic (2018–2020)
- > Democratic Republic of the Congo (2018–2020)
- ➤ Islamic Republic of Iran (2018–2020)
- > South Sudan (2018–2020)

c) Projects approved by correspondence*

As approved by the Board at its annual session of 2017 (WFP/EB.A/2017/5-A/1), all necessary budget revisions to protracted relief and recovery operations, development programmes and country programmes effective after the annual session of 2017 and until 1 January 2019 and time extensions for transitional interim country strategic plans from January 2018 through June 2019 will be submitted for Board approval by correspondence.

The Board will have before it, **for information**, prior to the second regular session in 2017, the following budget increases:

1) Budget increases for country programmes

- Burkina Faso 200163
- > Egypt 200238
- Ghana 200247

- Guinea 200236
- Liberia 200395
- ➤ Nicaragua 200434
- 2) Budget increases for development projects
 - ➤ Haiti 200150
- 3) Budget increases for protracted relief and recovery operations
 - > Chad 200713
 - ➤ Madagascar 200735
 - Malawi 200692
 - Mali 200719
- d) Reports of the Executive Director on operational matters*
 - 1) <u>Budget increases for protracted relief and recovery operations approved by the Executive Director (1 January–30 June 2017)</u>

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

2) Emergency operations approved by the Executive Director or by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 January–30 June 2017)

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.

8. Organizational and procedural matters

► Biennial programme of work of the Executive Board (2018–2019)

Pursuant to Rule III of the Rules of Procedure, the Board will have before it, **for approval**, its biennial programme of work (2018–2019).

9. Summary of the work of the annual session of the Executive Board, 2017

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 2017 is submitted **for approval.**

10. Other business

a) Housing allowance of the Executive Director

At its first regular session in 2007, the Board decided that the Executive Director's housing allowance should be reviewed at five-year intervals. This document provides an analysis of the evolution of the market rates, consumer price index for housing, water, electricity and fuel (HWEF), since the last review of the allowance made in 2012. Taking into account the housing allowances set for the Director-General of FAO and the President of IFAD, it proposes to the Board, **for approval**, the housing allowance of the WFP Executive Director.

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

b) Report of the joint field visit of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP to Nepal*

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

c) Report of the joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP*

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

11. 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.