



World Food Programme

Memorandum

Request for IRA Allocation for Preparedness Activities

To: Denise Brown
Director, OSE

Date: 28 September 2017

From: Nicolas Oberlin
Deputy Regional Director, RBC

Subject: Request for funds allocation from the Immediate Response Account (IRA) for Special Preparedness Activity

PART 1: INFORMATION NOTE

RATIONALE:

The current instability in Libya has been exploited by armed actors, especially since the escalation of violence in March 2017. The proliferation of militant actors and the division and competition for territory within the country has led to displacement, disruption of social services and near-collapsed socio-economic situation which is threatening the food security of the population.

At the same time, the country continues to be one of the main transit countries for migrants from the rest of the continent, which causes an additional strain to the already limited infrastructure and services available to the Libyan population.

The Libya CO currently operates from Tunis to implement EMOP 20095, in compliance with the evacuation status declared for UN international staff inside Libya, with no presence of local staff in-country.

The Libya CO, with the support of the Regional Bureau in Cairo and of relevant Units/Divisions in HQ, will start the preparations (on a no-regrets basis) of an assessment mission to the country (needs for assistance, security, IT, etc), preparation of a SSAFE training for 20 staff and procurement of protective assets and communication devices for potential scale up in-country of the current operation.

cc:
Regional Director, RBC
Chief, OMEP
Director, OSZ
Chief, RMBP
Chief, RMBB

IRA AMOUNT REQUESTED (INCL. ISC): US\$ 886,816

DURATION OF THE ACTIVITY: October – December 2017

JUSTIFICATION:

The increased preparedness actions aim to support the WFP Libya CO to assess the security and food security situation in country, in preparation for a scale up of the operation and for overall WFP presence in-country.

As WFP does not have a significant presence in-country, it is not in a position to augment its response without a better understanding of the needs and security constraints.

In order to provide appropriate support, the Libya CO is requesting immediate funding to initiate the following activities:

- Conduct a Rapid Food Security Assessment (RFSA);
- Procurement of two fully equipped armoured vehicles (AVs);
- Provision of personal security and communication equipment to staff members;
- Organizing SSAFE training provided by WFP in Tunisia to 20 staff representing the first wave of deployments as well as staff who may be called upon to deploy at a later stage.
- Travel to duty station and DSA for the participating staff.

PART 2: DETAILED BUDGET

Summary of Budget Estimate (in USD):

- RFSA:	183,000
- 2 AVs:	558,000
- Security & IT equipment:	53,800
- SSAFE training incl. travel:	34,000

TOTAL (excl. ISC): 828,800

The detailed budget plan is attached.