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Report of the FAO Finance Committee

The Executive Director is pleased to submit herewith the report of the FAO Finance Committee pertaining to WFP. The report covers the following agenda item:

- Update on the WFP Management Plan (2019–2021)



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Report of the 174th Session of the Finance Committee (6 February 2019)

Executive Summary

At its 174th Session, the Committee reviewed the Update on the WFP Management Plan (2019-2021) prior to its consideration by the WFP Executive Board.

Suggested action by Council

The Council is invited to note the views and recommendations of the Finance Committee.

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Introduction

1. The Committee submitted to the Council the following report of its Hundred and Seventy-fourth Session.
2. In addition to the Chairperson, Mr Lupiño Lazaro Jr. (Philippines), the following representatives of Members were present:
 - Mr Carlos Alberto Amaral (Angola)
 - Ms Kristina Gill (Australia)
 - Mr Manash Mitra (Bangladesh)
 - Mr Rodrigo Estrela de Carvalho (Brazil)
 - Mr Cui Jishun (China)
 - Mr Haitham Abdelhady Elsayed Elshahat (Egypt)
 - Mr Mateo Nsogo Nguere Micue (Equatorial Guinea)
 - Ms Hannah Laubenthal (Germany)
 - Mr Benito Santiago Jiménez Sauma (Mexico)
 - Mr Anton Minaev (Russian Federation)
 - Mr Sid Ahmed M. Alamain Hamid Alamain (Sudan)
 - Mr Thomas Duffy (United States of America)
3. The Chairperson informed the Committee that:
 - Ms Kristina Gill (Australia) had been designated to replace Ms Cathrine Stephenson as the representative of Australia for this session;
 - Mr Rodrigo Estrela de Carvalho (Brazil) had been designated to replace Mr Antonio Otávio Sá Ricarte as the representative of Brazil for this session;
 - Mr Cui Jishun (China) had been designated to replace Mr Ni Hongxing as the representative of China for this session;
 - Ms Hannah Laubenthal (Germany) had been designated to replace Mr Heiner Thofern as the representative of Germany for this session; and
 - Mr Anton Minaev (Russian Federation) had been designated to replace Mr Vladimir V. Kuznetsov as the representative of the Russian Federation for this session.
4. A summary of the qualifications of the substitute representatives can be downloaded from the Governing and Statutory Body Web site at: <http://www.fao.org/unfao/govbodies/gsbhome/finance-committee/substitute-representatives/en/>
5. In addition, silent observers from the following Members attended the 174th Session of the Committee:
 - Belgium
 - Dominican Republic
 - France
 - Hungary
 - Panama

World Food Programme Matters

Update on the WFP Management Plan (2019-2021)

6. The Committee considered the *Update on the WFP Management Plan (2019-2021)* which included an overview of specific changes to the WFP Management Plan on account of a proposed new organizational structure and welcomed the Executive Director's decision to submit the document for the Board's approval.
7. The Secretariat confirmed that the Board would be kept informally apprised of the review of the terms of reference of the Regional Bureaux as soon as possible.
8. The Committee was assured that the Deputy Executive Director continued in his role of overseeing WFP's contribution to the repositioning of the United Nations development system.
9. The Committee was informed of the diverse functions and funding of the WFP offices included in the updated organigram and looked forward to Management strengthening its support to these offices.
10. **The Committee:**
 - a) **noted that document WFP/EB.1/2019/6/1 provided an update on elements of the WFP Management Plan (2019–2021) to reflect the new organizational structure which would enter into force following the approval of the Executive Board;**
 - b) **further noted that the changes would have no implications on the overall 2019 PSA budget level or its distribution by appropriation line and that all other elements of the WFP Management Plan (2019–2021) (WFP/EB.2/2018/6-A/1/Rev.1) remained as originally approved;**
 - c) **recognizing the significance of the changes proposed to the organizational structure, recommended that more time be given to reviewing the proposals and addressing the concerns raised by Members, including through further informal consultations;**
 - d) **emphasized the importance of following required procedures when presenting the Governing and Advisory Bodies with any changes to the Management Plan, including changes to the organizational structure; and**
 - e) **recommended that, in accordance with Financial Regulation 9.1, the WFP Executive Board wait for the views of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) prior to taking a decision on the approval of the *Update on the WFP Management Plan (2019-2021)* at the following session of the Executive Board.**

Date and Place of the Hundred and Seventy-fifth Session

11. The Committee was informed that the 175th Session was scheduled to be held in Rome from 18 to 22 March 2019.