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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 for the 2020 second regular session of the Board. During the session, the Board may, by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting, amend the agenda by the deletion, addition or modification of any item.

2. Election to fill one vacant seat on the Bureau and appointment of the Rapporteur

The Board will elect one Bureau member for List C to replace a representative who has departed from Rome.

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

3. Opening remarks by the Executive Director

The Executive Director will report on current and future strategic issues facing WFP. This will be followed by remarks from special and high-level guests and an interactive question and answer segment.

4. Policy issues

a) <u>WFP protection and accountability policy and implementation plan</u>

Following the recommendation made in the evaluation of the WFP humanitarian protection policy for 2012–2017, the Secretariat will present a revised policy **for approval** by the Board and its implementation plan **for information**.

b) WFP disability inclusion road map (2020–2021)

A disability inclusion road map for 2020-2021 will be presented to the Board **for approval**.

c) <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 the document entitled "Directions for collaboration among the Rome-based agencies" (WFP/EB.2/2009/11-C).

^{*} To be discussed at the session.

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The report presented each year by the Secretariat in response to this request provides a comprehensive overview of Rome-based agency collaboration, initiatives and partnerships on food and nutrition security. The report will be presented **for information**.

d) <u>Compendium of policies relating to the WFP strategic plan</u>

At its annual session in 2000 the Board approved the recommendations set out in the report of the working group on governance established in accordance with decision 1999/EB.1/18 (WFP/EB.A/2000/4-D). Recommendation (e) of that report called for WFP policy statements to be codified in a compendium. "Such a compendium was duly prepared and has been updated since, and at the Board's request in 2010 it was reorganized to focus on policies relating to the goals of the strategic plan. The compendium will be presented **for information**.

e) <u>Update on WFP's implementation of United Nations General Assembly resolution</u> <u>72/279 (repositioning the United Nations development system)*</u>

The Secretariat will update the Board on the implementation of United Nations General Assembly resolution 72/279, on repositioning the United Nations development system to deliver on the 2030 Agenda. The update will be presented **for information**.

f) <u>Oral update on the implications for WFP of the guidance on the United Nations</u> sustainable development cooperation frameworks and common country analyses^{*}

The Secretariat will provide an update on the guidance and on its implications for WFP's work and for the elaboration of United Nations sustainable development cooperation frameworks. The update will be presented **for information**.

g) <u>Oral update on the people policy: a vision for WFP's workforce and workplace of the future*</u>

At the request of the Bureau, the Secretariat will provide an oral update on the progress and future steps of the elaboration of the people policy. The update will be presented **for information**.

5. Resource, financial and budgetary matters

a) WFP Management Plan (2021–2023)

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the Management Plan for the period 2021–2023, including WFP's budget for 2021.

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

b) <u>Process for the selection and appointment of the WFP External Auditor for the term</u> <u>from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2028</u>

The mandate of the WFP External Auditor will come to an end on 30 June 2022. Financial Regulation 14.2 provides that the External Auditor's mandate is non-renewable. A competitive selection process for appointing a new External Auditor will be initiated in 2021. A document describing the process to be followed will be presented **for approval**.

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

c) Workplan of the External Auditor

The workplan of the External Auditor details audit activities for the period 2020–2021. Adherence to international standards on auditing and proven audit methods will ensure that the External Auditor provides high-quality services to WFP. The workplan covers financial, performance and compliance audits as well as quality reviews and individual audit assessments. The workplan will be presented **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

The Board will have before it summary evaluation reports that provide an analysis and assessment of all WFP activities conducted under several of its country strategic plans and interim country strategic plans. They evaluate performance and results and provide evaluative insights as a basis for evidence-based decisions about WFP positioning, strategic partnerships and programme design and implementation. The evaluation findings and recommendations will inform the country offices' future strategic plans and programme implementation. The Board will also have before it management's responses to the analysis and recommendations in the evaluation reports. Summary evaluation reports and management responses will be presented **for consideration**, for the following country strategic plans and interim country strategic plans:

- a) Country strategic plan for Cameroon (2018-2020)
- b) Interim country strategic plan for the Democratic Republic of the Congo (2018-2020)
- c) <u>Country strategic plan for Indonesia (2017–2020)</u>
- d) Country strategic plan for Timor-Leste (2018–2020)

7. Operational matters

a) Country strategic plans

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

- 1. Cuba (2021–2024) ITEM POSTPONED TO THE 2021 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
- 2. Democratic Republic of the Congo (2021–2024)
- 3. Guatemala (2021-2024)
- 4. Indonesia (2021–2025)
- b) <u>Interim country strategic plans</u>

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

- 1. Togo (2021)
- c) <u>Revisions of interim country strategic plans and corresponding budget increases</u>

The Board will have before it, **for approval**, the following revision of an interim country strategic plan:

- 1. Burundi (2018–2020)
- d) <u>Reports of the Executive Director on operational matters</u>
 - 1. <u>Revisions of country strategic plans and interim country strategic plans and</u> <u>corresponding budget increases approved by the Executive Director or jointly by</u> <u>the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 January-30 June 2020)</u>

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a document summarizing revisions of country strategic plans and interim country strategic plans and corresponding budget increases approved by the Executive Director or jointly by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO within their delegated authority.

2. <u>Transitional interim multi-country strategic plans, limited emergency operations</u> and immediate response activities approved by the Executive Director or jointly by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 January–30 June 2020)

The Board will have before it, **for information**, a document summarizing transitional interim multi-country strategic plans, limited emergency operations and immediate response activities approved by the Executive Director or jointly by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO within their delegated authority.

8. Organizational and procedural matters

a) <u>Biennial programme of work of the Executive Board (2021–2022)</u>

Pursuant to rule III of its rules of procedure, the Board will have before it, **for approval**, its biennial programme of work for 2021–2022.

9. Summary of the work of the 2020 annual session of the Executive Board

In accordance with the Board's decision at its 1996 second regular session on its methods of work, the Board will have before it **for approval** the summary of the work of its 2020 annual session.

10. Other business

a) <u>Progress report on the implementation of the comprehensive action plan on the</u> <u>recommendations of the joint Board/management working group on harassment,</u> <u>sexual harassment, abuse of power and discrimination</u>

At the request of the Board at its 2020 first regular session, the Secretariat will present a progress report on the implementation of the comprehensive action plan on the recommendations of the joint Board/management working group on harassment, sexual harassment, abuse of power and discrimination. The report will be presented **for consideration**.

b) <u>Report of the joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF,</u> <u>UN-Women and WFP, 29 May 2020</u>

A report on the joint meeting of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Office for Project Services, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women and WFP will be presented **for information**.

c) Oral update on preparations for the 2021 United Nations food systems summit*

At the request of the Bureau the Secretariat will provide a regular brief update on the work undertaken by the Rome-based agencies in preparation for the 2021 United Nations summit on food systems. This item will be presented **for information**.

d) Oral update on WFP's response to COVID-19*

At the request of the Bureau the Secretariat will provide an oral update on how WFP is responding to the COVID-19 pandemic and its challenges at the country, regional and United Nations levels. The update will be presented **for information**.

11. Verification of adopted decisions and recommendations

The Board will have before it a draft document compilation of the decisions and recommendations adopted by it at its current session for verification of their accuracy.