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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 2021 first 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 of the Bureau and appointment of the Rapporteur***

In accordance with Rule IV of its rules of procedure, the Executive Board shall elect among the representatives of its members a President, a Vice-President and three other members (collectively designated as the Bureau), as well as an alternate. They shall hold office until their successors are elected. Each member and alternate of the Bureau shall be chosen from one of the Lists of States as defined in Appendix A to the General Regulations of WFP.

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***

The Executive Director will report on current and future strategic issues facing WFP.

### 4. ***Policy issues***

#### a) WFP People Policy

Following the recommendations made in the evaluation of the WFP People Strategy (2014–2017) examined by the Board at its 2020 first regular session, the Secretariat will present a new people policy to the Board **for approval**.

#### b) Update on WFP's implementation of United Nations General Assembly resolution 72/279 (repositioning the United Nations development system) \*

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**.

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\* To be discussed at the session.

## 5. **Resource, financial and budgetary matters**

### a) Update on the bottom up strategic budgeting exercise

As requested by the Board at its 2020 second regular session, the Secretariat will present an update on the developments of the bottom up strategic budgeting exercise. This item will be presented to the Board **for consideration**.

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 Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) Finance Committee.

### b) Update on operational requirements and funding forecast for 2021

As requested by the Board at its 2020 second regular session, the Secretariat will present an update on operational requirements and the funding forecast for 2021, with a view to discussing any required adjustments should projected indirect support cost income fall below the approved programme support and administrative budget for 2021. This item will be presented to the Board **for consideration**.

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) Summary report on the evaluation of the country strategic plan for Bangladesh (2017–2020) and management response

The Board will have before it, **for consideration**, a summary report on the evaluation of the country strategic plan for Bangladesh (2017–2020). The report provides an analysis and assessment of all WFP activities conducted under the country strategic plan, evaluates performance and results and provides 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 office's future strategic plans and programme implementation. The Board will also have before it management's response to the analysis and recommendations in the evaluation report.

## 7. **Operational matters**

### a) Country strategic plans

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

1. Colombia (2021–2024)
2. Cuba (2021–2024)

### b) Reports of the Executive Director on operational matters

1. 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 (1 July–31 December 2020)

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. 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 (1 July–31 December 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) Biennial programme of work of the Executive Board (2021–2022)

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

9. ***Administrative and managerial matters***

- a) Reports by the Joint Inspection Unit relevant to the work of WFP

The Board, by its decision 2002/EB.2/17, recommended that the document on Joint Inspection Unit reports of relevance to the work of WFP, submitted annually by the Secretariat to the Board, should comprise the following items:

- i) WFP comments on the Joint Inspection Unit reports relevant to the work of WFP received between the submission of the last Board document and 1 October 2020;
- ii) a list of Joint Inspection Unit reports issued since the last reporting period; and
- iii) the status of WFP's implementation of previously approved or accepted recommendations.

In accordance with the practice of the Boards of other funds and programmes, the Secretariat presents to the Board each year at its first regular session a summary report containing the items listed above **for its consideration**.

10. ***Summary of the work of the 2020 second regular 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** a summary of the work of its 2020 second regular session.

11. ***Other business***

- a) Appointment of five Executive Board members to a selection panel for the appointment of Audit Committee members

The Board will appoint five of its members to serve on a panel that will select Audit Committee members to be appointed in 2021. This item will be presented to the Board **for approval**.

- b) Extension of the term of one Audit Committee member for one year

As the second and final term of several members of the Audit Committee will end in 2021, with a view to ensuring the continued effectiveness of the committee a proposal for the extension of the term of one Audit Committee member for one year will be submitted to the Board. This item will be presented **for approval**.

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 to the Board **for information.**

12. ***Verification of adopted decisions and recommendations***

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