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TRANSITIONAL ICSP AND PROJECT BUDGET REVISION(S) FOR T-ICSPs FOR APPROVAL BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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SUBJECT: Armenia, T-ICSP (1 year), DEV 200128

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1. I have reviewed the documentation and confirm that it meets the required quality standards, and appropriately addresses concerns/recommendations raised in the s-PRP/e-PRP.
2. I recommend approval of this budget revision: DEV 200128 "Development of Sustainable School Feeding", as well as of the T-ICSP document here attached.
3. The resulting T-ICSP consists of the following single strategic outcome:
All primary school children in Armenia have reliable access to safe, adequate and nutritious food by 2023.
4. The total value of the T-ICSP is USD 5,452,103 which will support 68,500 beneficiaries from 1st January to 31st December 2018. This includes support from the Government to cover the costs of internal transport, storage and handling.
5. The increase in cost will cover the provision of an additional 2,576 mt of food, at a total cost of USD 1,965,453 for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2018.
6. The CSP will be developed in 2018 and is expected to be submitted to the November 2018 session of the Executive Board.



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DEV 200128, Development of Sustainable School Feeding, BR 12

Total Revised number of beneficiaries	68,500		
Duration of entire project	90 months (01 July 2010 to 31 December 2017)		
Duration of assistance covered in this proposal	12 months (01 January 2018 to 31 December 2018)		
WFP food tonnage	20,389 mt		
Cost (United States dollars)			
	Current Budget	Increase	Revised Budget
Food and Related Costs	16,328,906	2,937,810	19,266,715
Cash & Vouchers and Related Costs	315,132	374,469	689,602
Capacity Development & Augmentation	5,279,760	651,964	5,931,724
DSC	6,407,005	1,131,180	7,538,185
ISC	1,983,156	356,680	2,339,836
Total cost to WFP	30,313,959	5,452,103	35,766,062

Cost (United States dollars)			
	Current Budget	Increase	Revised Budget
Food Transfer	13,192,978	1,965,453	15,158,431
C&V Transfer	291,789	350,526	642,315

Beneficiaries		
Current	Increase/Decrease	Revised
68,500	-	68,500

1. Rationale for the intervention/budget revision.

Budget revision 12 (BR12) to the Armenia "Development of Sustainable School Feeding" project (DEV 200128) seeks an extension in time for 12 months from 1 January to 31 December 2018 and an increase in current budget to ensure operational continuity of the project to implement the Transitional Interim Country Strategic Plan (T-ICSP) in 2018.

The T-ICSP aims to improve access to food in line with Strategic Result 1 (Everyone has access to food) and the sustainable development goals and contributes to the priorities of the 2014-2025 Armenia Development Strategy and the 2016-2020 Armenia United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) Outcome 5: improving the access of vulnerable populations to basic education and social protection services.

In agreement with the host Government and the donor and based on the priorities highlighted in the upcoming National Strategic Review and realistic funding prospects, WFP will formulate its country strategic plan (CSP) for the period of 2019-2023 to be presented to the November 2018 Executive Board. This will also allow the Armenia country office to seek potential diversification of its funding base to enrich the multiple benefits of the programme and to mitigate challenges related to single donor dependency.



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2. Indicate how these activities are included in the attached T-ICSP .

WFP will continue to support the Government of Armenia in addressing the right of all children to quality education and health, while positioning WFP as an important safety net provider for vulnerable households.

The activities of the DEV 200128 have been captured in the T-ICSP as outlined below:

Strategic Outcome 1: All primary school children in Armenia have reliable access to safe, adequate and nutritious food by 2023 (Strategic Result 1: Everyone has access to food).

- Activity 1) Provide and facilitate technical, policy and institutional support to government staff.
- Activity 2) Provide school meals through in-kind and cash assistance to targeted schools and children.

3. Explain how the relevant Budget Revision and the associated T-ICSP addresses the concerns/recommendations raised at the s-PRP/e-PRP.

Comments from the S-PRP/e-PRP have been addressed in the T-ICSP through:

- Mainstreaming gender in the narrative, outcomes, outputs and activities' formulation and selection of gender marker 1;
- Highlighting and outlining strategic partnerships within the United Nations;
- Strengthened nutrition-sensitive programming for school feeding;
- Strengthening the country resourcing plan, including a plan to expand partnerships and diversify donor base;
- Fine-tuning the beneficiary analysis and plan of activities for the T-ICSP.