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Country strategic plan revision

Angola interim country strategic plan (2020-2025), revision 05

Gender and age marker code: 3

| | Current | Change | Revised |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Duration | January 2020 - June | 12-month extension | January 2020 - June |
| Duration | 2024 | | 2025 |
| Beneficiaries | 572,600 | 12,780 | 585,380 |
| Total cost (USD) | 69,551,935 | 7,892,541 | 77,444,476 |
| Transfer | 52,626,445 | 5,134,078 | 57,760,523 |
| Implementation | 7,674,778 | 1,413,443 | 9,088,221 |
| Direct support costs | 5,578,464 | 1,039,439 | 6,617,903 |
| Subtotal | 65,879,687 | 7,586,960 | 73,466,647 |
| Indirect support costs (6.5 percent) | 3,672,248 | 305,580 | 3,977,828 |

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY FOR APPROVAL: RD

1. RATIONALE

- This Interim Country Strategic Plan (ICSP) revision seeks to extend the current ICSP for a
 period of twelve months, from 01 July 2024 to 30 June 2025. This extension will allow
 sufficient time to transition from the current ICSP to the second-generation country strategic
 plan (2G CSP). This is essential to secure necessary governmental alignment and
 commitments that are required for the successful formulation and implementation of the
 2G CSP.
- 2. A climate, nutrition and food security crisis are unfolding across Southern Africa, with an El Niño-induced drought affecting the main May harvest, including over eastern Angola. In addition, southern Angola has yet to recover from consecutive poor rainfall seasons. Since crop production is the primary source of livelihood in rural areas, these climate events will further exacerbate food insecurity and nutritional status of vulnerable populations. This effect is anticipated to be significant and will worsen up to the next harvest period in Maylune 2025.
- 3. Considering the already felt adverse impacts of El Niño, WFP will continue to proactively engage the Government of Angola in coordinating a drought response in affected regions of the country. WFP will also continue to provide humanitarian assistance to refugees, displaced as a result of the conflict in the Kasai region of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), and currently living in the Lóvua settlement in Lunda Norte province.
- 4. During the extension period, WFP will continue to provide unconditional assistance to refugees from the DRC, as well as continuing its work to transition refugees from unconditional to conditional assistance through an Asset Creation and Livelihoods programme. Additionally, WFP will continue to screen and treat children under 5 and pregnant and breastfeeding woman and girls (PBW/G) for moderate acute malnutrition

(MAM) in emergency prone areas of the country. WFP will continue providing technical assistance and capacity strengthening to Government health care workers central and provincial levels. Finally, capacity building and skills transfer support will be provided to partners and Ministry of Health (MoH) personnel under a new Service Level Agreement (SLA) between WFP and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) for a last mile delivery (LMD) project for medical/pharmaceutical warehousing and commodity management.

2. CHANGES

Strategic orientation

5. There is no change in strategic orientation.

ICSP outcomes

- 6. Under ICSP Outcome 1, Activity 1, the revision seeks to decrease the number of refugees targeted during the extension period, from 6,700 to 5,600 refugees in 2024, due to the planned transition of households from unconditional assistance to the conditional assistance (400 people will be transitioned to conditional assistance in 2024) and to account for the reduction of the refugee caseload that took place in 2023, due to voluntary repatriation (800 refugees repatriated). In 2025, the number will be increased, from 5,600 to 5,900 due to the registration of 210 additional asylum seekers and their families (400), as well as to accommodate population increase due to the birth rate in the settlement (210), while 520 beneficiaries will be transitioned to conditional assistance.
- 7. The number of beneficiaries receiving livelihood support under ICSP Outcome 1, Activity 2 will be increased from 1,000 to 1,400 in 2024, as a result of beneficiaries transitioning from unconditional resource transfer under Activity 1 to conditional resource transfer under Activity 2, through the food-for-asset modality for asset creation and livelihoods (ACL). In 2025, the number of beneficiaries will increase from 1,400 to 1,920, as a result of the addition of new participants to be incorporated in the asset creation and livelihood activity. Additionally, WFP plans to expand the ACL activities to include a capacity strengthening component, building on ongoing United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) support for livelihoods interventions. A total of 480 participants will be added under Activity 2 capacity strengthening modality.
- 8. This revision will also increase in beneficiaries under ICSP Outcome 1, Activity 5 considering the expected increase in MAM cases due to El Nino-induced drought. Through an expected funding allocation, the number of children under 5 being screened and treated for MAM will be increased by 12,000 over the ICSP extension period, while the number of PBW/G will be increased by 300 over the ICSP extension period. The operation will take place in at least four municipalities of Huila province (Chibia and Humpata) and in Cunene province (Ombadja and Cuanhama).
- 9. Under ICSP Outcome 3, Activity 4, the revision seeks to add Output Category C under Output 6, to reflect the capacity strengthening modality. In 2024, a new SLA will be signed between WFP and UNDP, with an expected timeline of three years (2024 2027). Within the SLA, WFP LMD project for medical/pharmaceutical warehousing and commodity management will incorporate capacity building and skills transfer support to the partner and MoH personnel.

Partnerships

10. WFP will strengthen its engagement with the Government of Angola to ensure its focus is aligned with and complementary to the national development priorities. WFP will continue to proactively engage with the Government of Angola in coordinating a drought response in the southern and eastern regions of the country as part of the Humanitarian Intersectoral

- Coordination Group (chaired by the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs OCHA).
- 11. Building on its distinct comparative advantages and expertise, WFP will continue to provide on-demand logistics services to the UNDP to ensure life-saving medical supplies reach the last mile while strengthening public health supply chain systems to better prepare and respond to future shocks. In parallel, the Angola Office, with the support from HQ, will continue to explore opportunities for collaborative initiatives with other partners and the host Government to scale up its on-demand and supply chain service activities.
- 12. In alignment with the Memorandum of Understanding signed with the Government in 2019, the Angola Office will continue expanding its collaboration with national academic and research institutions, particularly in research, data collection, analysis, and publication on nutrition and food security. This will enable WFP to build the capacity of national counterparts and ensure that reliable evidence is collected, analysed, and used to inform programmes, policies, and strategies of the Government, WFP, and its partners.

Country office capacity

- 13. Regarding the capacity to implement activities in the southern region of Angola, the Angola Office has a Field Office located in Huíla province with eight vehicles and seventeen motorbikes ready to be used in this region.
- 14. To ensure continued effective implementation of activities, WFP will maintain the sub-office in Benguela, while also reviewing the possibility of opening an additional office in Bié and recruiting additional staff to support LMD activities, depending on funding opportunities.

Supply chain

15. The Angola Office will continue to explore opportunities and capitalize on Angola's strategic positioning, with five operational seaports on a 1,650 km coastline, continuously developing road and railway networks, and potential to serve as enablers of Angola global trade along supply corridors with neighbouring countries, including the Republic of Congo (RoC), to facilitate humanitarian food movement. Through collaboration with the Food Safety and Quality (FSQ) unit, supply chain will also focus on developing the capacity of local food processors, millers, salt producers and grain traders to promote local purchases of essential food commodities and ultimately, aligning with Government strategic priorities on rural transformation, local food production enhancement and imports reduction. Further, fostering food fortification locally will not only ensure reduced WFP supply lead times but also supplement Governments' efforts to combat high levels of malnutrition.

Risk Management

- 16. Limited funding for crisis response activities under ICSP Outcome 1 and technical assistance activities under ICSP Outcome 2 remain the most significant risk for WFP operations. Given Angola's classification as an upper middle-income country, resource mobilisation will go beyond traditional donors and will include a plan that strengthens engagement with national government, emerging donors and partners, international financial institutions and innovative financing mechanisms.
- 17. Food and non-food item prices increased due to a combination of two major factors: i) the devaluation of the national currency (Kwanza), and ii) the removal of fuel subsidies. In 2023,

the exchange (AOA/USD) rose from 504 AOA in January 2023 to 830 AOA in December 2023¹, and in June 2023, petrol prices increased from 160 to 300 AOA/Liter, and consequently, the prices of all food commodities in markets went up significantly. The Angola Office will monitor prices and exchange rates every month and make the necessary budget and transfer value adjustments as needed.

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¹ UN Operational Rates of Exchange Rate (https://treasury.un.org/operationalrates/OperationalRates.php)

Beneficiary analysis

| | TABLE 1: D | IRECT BENE | FICIARIES BY | ICSP OUTCO | ME, ACTIVITY | & MODALITY | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| ICSP Outcome | Activity | Period | Women (18+ years) | Men (18+ years) | Girls (0-18 years) | Boys (0-18 years) | Total |
| ICSP 1 | | Current | 1,817 | 1,789 | 2,250 | 2,144 | 8,000 |
| 1 (in-kind | 1 (in-kind) | Increase/ decrease | (182) | (179) | (225) | (214) | (800) |
| | | Revised | 1,817 | 1,789 | 2,250 | 2,144 | 8,000 ² |
| | | Current | 78,876 | 72,450 | 82,562 | 81,112 | 315,000 |
| | (Commodity Voucher) | Increase/ decrease | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | voucher) | Revised | 78,876 | 72,450 | 82,562 | 81,112 | 315,000 |
| | | Current | 338 | 335 | 423 | 404 | 1,500 |
| | 2 (in-kind) | Increase/ decrease | 98 | 94 | 117 | 111 | 420 |
| | | Revised | 436 | 429 | 540 | 515 | 1,920 |
| | | Current | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C |
| 2 (CS) | 2 (CS) | Increase/ decrease | 270 | 210 | 0 | 0 | 480 |
| | | Revised | 270 | 210 | 0 | 0 | 480 |
| | | Current | 7,712 | 7,084 | 8,073 | 7,931 | 30,800 |
| | (Commodity Voucher) | Increase/ decrease | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | С |
| | rouener) | Revised | 7,712 | 7,084 | 8,073 | 7,931 | 30,800 |
| | 5 | Current | 0 | 0 | 17,000 | 17,000 | 34,000 |
| | (in-kind) | Increase/ decrease | 0 | 0 | 6,000 | 6,000 | 12,000 |
| | (children) | Revised | 0 | 0 | 23,000 | 23,000 | 46,000 |
| | _ | Current | 210 | 0 | 90 | 0 | 300 |
| 5 (in-kind) (PBW/G) | Increase/ decrease | 210 | 0 | 90 | 0 | 300 | |
| | (۲۵۷۷۵) | Revised | 420 | 0 | 180 | 0 | 600 |
| | | Current | 49,079 | 45,080 | 51,371 | 50,470 | 196,000 |
| | 5 (Commodity voucher) | Increase/ decrease | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C |
| | vouciiei) | Revised | 49,079 | 45,080 | 51,371 | 50,470 | 196,000 |

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 $^{^{2}}$ Total beneficiaries reached for the entire duration of the ICSP remains 8,000.

| | 6 | Current | 0 | 0 | 8,250 | 6,750 | 15,000 |
|-------------|------------------------|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | (Commodity Voucher) | Increase/ decrease | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | (ONS) | Revised | 0 | 0 | 8,250 | 6,750 | 15,000 |
| TOTAL (with | hout overlap) | Current | 155,607 | 150,147 | 137,904 | 128,942 | 572,600 |
| | | Increase/ decrease | 480 | 210 | 6,090 | 6,000 | 12,780 |
| | | Revised | 156,053 | 150,391 | 143,994 | 134,942 | 585,380 |

Transfers

TABLE 2: Food ration (g/person/day) or cash-based transfer value (USD/person/day) by CSP Outcome and Activity

| CSP Outcome | CSP 1 | | | |
|---|-------------------|------------|------------|--|
| Activity | Activity 1 | Activity 2 | Activity 5 | |
| Beneficiary type | Refugees Refugees | | Residents | |
| Modality (food or cash) | Food | Food | Food | |
| Cereals | 450 | 450 | | |
| Pulses | 60 | 60 | | |
| Oil | 25 | 25 | | |
| Salt | 5 | 5 | | |
| Sugar | | | | |
| Super Cereal | | | | |
| RUSF | | | 100³ | |
| Total kcal/day | 2,052 | 2,052 | 537 | |
| % kcal from protein | 9.9 | 9.9 | 12 | |
| Cash-based transfers (USD/per person/per day) | | | | |
| Number of feeding days per year* | 360 | 360 | 360 | |

^{* 6} months in 2024

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 $^{^{\}rm 3}$ Given to PBW/G in exceptional circumstances.

| TABLE 3: TOTAL FOOD/CASH-BASED TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS AND VALUE | | | | | | | |
|--|----------------|-------------|------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| | Current budget | | Increase | | Revised budget | | |
| | Total (mt) | Total (USD) | Total (mt) | Total (USD) | Total (mt) | Total (USD) | |
| Cereals | 7,401 | 3,146,850 | 1,200 | 481,688 | 8,601 | 3,628,538 | |
| Pulses | 987 | 1,215,676 | 160 | 92,672 | 1,147 | 1,308,348 | |
| Oil and fats | 411 | 449,142 | 67 | 106,656 | 478 | 555,798 | |
| Mixed and blended foods | 625 | 1,020,752 | 82 | 279,969 | 707 | 1,300,721 | |
| Other | 82 | 10,899 | 13 | 5,666 | 96 | 16,565 | |
| Total (food) | 9,505 | 5,843,318 | 1,523 | 966,652 | 11,029 | 6,809,970 | |
| Cash-based transfers | | 15,823,089 | | 0 | | 15,823,089 | |
| Total (food and cash- based transfer value) | 9,505 | 21,666,407 | 1,523 | 966,652 | 11,029 | 22,633,059 | |

3. COST BREAKDOWN

15. This ICSP revision proposes a one-year extension of the ICSP, thereby resulting in a budget increase of USD 7.9 million.

| TABLE 4: COST BREAKDOWN OF THE REVISION ONLY (USD) | | | | | | |
|--|--|---|--|-----------|--|--|
| WFP strategic outcomes | SDG Target 2.1 - WFP Strategic Outcome 1 | SDG Target 17.9 - WFP Strategic Outcome 4 | SDG Target 17.16 - WFP Strategic Outcome 5 | Total | | |
| CSP outcomes | 01 | 02 | 03 | | | |
| Focus area | Crisis Response | Root Causes | Root Causes | | | |
| Transfer | 3,052,649 | 107,600 | 1,973,829 | 5,134,078 | | |
| Implementation | 726,530 | 165,247 | 521,666 | 1,413,443 | | |
| Direct support costs | (no figures in the gro | (no figures in the grey cells) | | | | |
| Subtotal | | | | 7,586,960 | | |
| Indirect support costs | | | | 305,580 | | |
| TOTAL | | | | 7,892,541 | | |

| TABLE 4: OVERALL ICSP COST BREAKDOWN, AFTER REVISION (USD) | | | | | | | |
|--|--|---|--|------------|--|--|--|
| WFP strategic outcomes | SDG Target 2.1 - WFP Strategic Outcome 1 | SDG Target 17.9 - WFP Strategic Outcome 4 | SDG Target 17.16 - WFP Strategic Outcome 5 | Total | | | |
| ICSP outcomes | 01 | 02 | 03 | | | | |
| Focus area | Crisis Response | Root Causes | Root Causes | | | | |
| Transfer | 35,504,483 | 11,931,816 | 10,324,225 | 57,760,523 | | | |
| Implementation | 6,420,367 | 1,885,135 | 782,719 | 9,088,221 | | | |
| Direct support costs | 4,022,798 | 1,432,763 | 1,162,342 | 6,617,903 | | | |
| Subtotal | 45,947,648 | 15,249,714 | 12,269,286 | 73,466,647 | | | |
| Indirect support costs | 2,986,597 | 991,231 | 0 | 3,977,828 | | | |
| TOTAL | 48,934,245 | 16,240,945 | 12,269,286 | 77,444,476 | | | |