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adopted by the Board at its Annual Session of 2004 (24–26 May 2004)**

**2004/EB.A/11 Streamlining corporate reporting to the Executive Board and WFP
parent bodies**

The Board approved the decision to combine WFP reports to parent bodies into a single report to be submitted to the First Regular Session of the Board, starting in 2005, as well as the interim arrangements proposed for 2004, as described in document WFP/EB.A/2004/5-F.

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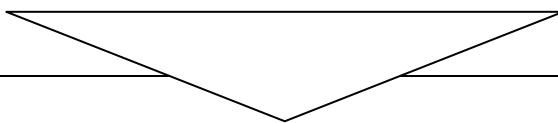
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The aim of this report is to give the Board a comprehensive picture of WFP's response to United Nations system initiatives and resolutions. WFP acted in 2005 to improve its partnerships with United Nations agencies, other international organizations and civil-society groups in three significant ways: (i) it contributed as a team member at the global, regional and country levels to the work of major inter-agency coordinating bodies in humanitarian and development affairs; (ii) it pursued operational and advocacy cooperation with United Nations and non-governmental organization partners to enhance joint contributions to achieving the Millennium Development Goals and WFP's five Strategic Objectives; and (iii) it advocated for the interests of hungry and vulnerable people in major international conferences and meetings.

Major achievements of WFP's engagement in inter-agency coordinating mechanisms in 2005 included: (i) endorsement by the Inter-Agency Standing Committee of new arrangements for addressing major gaps in current international humanitarian response; (ii) further progress on simplification and harmonization of development programme cooperation through the United Nations Development Group; and (iii) significant contributions to the operation of United Nations common services, particularly the WFP-managed United Nations Joint Logistics Centre and Humanitarian Air Service.

WFP's operational and advocacy partnerships with United Nations agencies and non-governmental organizations focused on meeting the needs of refugees and beneficiaries in food security, emergency response, nutrition, HIV/AIDS and education. Significant achievements included: (i) signing a new Memorandum of Understanding with the United Nations Children's Fund in July 2005; (ii) expanding cooperation in HIV/AIDS-related programming with the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS co-sponsors; (iii) increased participation in national poverty-reduction strategy processes, often in collaboration with the World Bank; (iv) increased cooperation with the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in needs assessment, joint advocacy on behalf of refugee population and emergency response; and (v) a consultation in October 2005 with major international non-governmental organization partners entitled "Ending Child Hunger in Partnership".

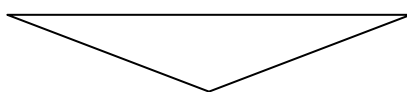
The September World Summit was the main event on the 2005 international conference agenda; WFP was active with its Rome agency partners in ensuring that food security, hunger reduction – particularly for children – rural development and expansion of school feeding were highlighted in the outcome document. WFP also provided significant input on disaster risk reduction and emergency preparedness to the World Conference on Disaster Reduction in Kobe, Japan, in January 2005.

This report is prepared in accordance with the streamlined corporate reporting to the Board and WFP parent bodies (WFP/EB.A/2004/5-F) approved at the 2004 Annual Session. The structure is consistent with the standard Economic and Social Council format for annual reporting used by United Nations funds and programmes, with a focus on implementation of



the provisions of the 2004 General Assembly resolution on the Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review of Operational Activities for Development. The format also takes into account comments by the Board in its discussion of the 2004 Annual Report and consultations with the Bureau in September 2005. The timing of the submission of this report to the Board's First Regular Session of 2006 makes it impossible to include complete statistical information for the whole of calendar year 2005. More complete statistical information will be available in the 2005 Annual Performance Report submitted to the Board at its Annual Session.

DRAFT DECISION*



The Board approves the Annual Report for 2005 to the United Nations Economic and Social Council and the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (WFP/EB.1/2006/4/Rev.1). In accordance with its decision 2004/EB.A/11 of 24 May 2004, the Board requests that the Annual Report be forwarded to the United Nations Economic and Social Council and to the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, along with the Board's decisions and recommendations for 2005 and the present decision.

* This is a draft decision. For the final decision adopted by the Board, please refer to the Decisions and Recommendations document issued at the end of the session.



SECTION 1. STRUCTURES AND MECHANISMS

Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC)

1. In 2005, the IASC focused on improved humanitarian response, culminating in a special heads-of-agency meeting in September that agreed on a cluster lead-agency system designed to fill current “gaps” in areas of humanitarian response such as water and sanitation, shelter and protection of internally displaced people (IDPs). WFP provided significant leadership in this reform process and agreed to be the cluster lead agency for inter-agency emergency logistics and to assume primary responsibility for certain aspects of emergency telecommunications. WFP’s co-chairmanship of the IASC sub-working group on preparedness and contingency planning resulted in innovative inter-agency initiatives such as quarterly humanitarian early-warning reports and the Humanitarian Early-Warning Service (HEWS) web page, which is the first global “one-stop shop” for early-warning information for all natural hazards and for socio-political developments, providing systematic, credible and real-time early-warning information online.

Consolidated Appeals Process (CAP)

2. WFP continued to be active in inter-agency implementation of the CAP and its needs analysis framework (NAF). WFP was the largest appealing agency in the 2005 CAP, accounting for 40 percent of overall requirements; as of October 2005, contributions to WFP amounted to nearly 45 percent of the total. WFP worked with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) to lead the food-security sector NAF in Burundi, the Occupied Palestinian Territories and Uganda. The working groups produced clear analyses of needs and priorities to provide a basis for the food security analysis of the Common Humanitarian Action Plan (CHAP). WFP’s food-security assessments and vulnerability analysis and mapping (VAM) reports also provided significant contributions to the NAF and CHAP food-security analysis in Côte d’Ivoire and the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). WFP and FAO will work with food-security sector working groups to review lessons learned from the 2005 CAP NAF as part of the larger IASC review of 2005 challenges and recommendations for improvements for 2006.

United Nations Development Group (UNDG)

3. WFP’s involvement in the UNDG Executive Committee is the core of its United Nations development reform efforts, particularly on issues related to the Secretary-General’s agenda outlined in his document “In Larger Freedom” and in the Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review (TCPR) resolution. The UNDG programme and management groups made progress in addressing the coherence of programmes at the country level. There has been less focus on guidelines and greater emphasis on ensuring that harmonized procedures are applied at the country level to achieve results, support national development plans and reduce transaction costs for partners. UNDG has also been examining the role of Resident Coordinators (RCs), follow-up to the World Summit, preparation of Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers (PRSPs) based on the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and common cash-transfer modalities.



4. WFP also helped to organize two undg-related workshops in Rome: (i) the Roundtable on Simplification of the Common Country Programming Process, in which WFP as vice-chair of the undg Programme Group hosted a roundtable that led to recommendations for a radically simplified common country programming process; and (ii) a training session for United Nations staff on DevInfo technology, hosted by WFP.

The Executive Committee on Humanitarian Affairs (ECHA)

5. In 2005, ECHA was increasingly used by the Emergency Relief Coordinator to focus the United Nations system on policy issues and country-specific situations. WFP contributed significantly to ECHA's work to clarify operational issues related to integrated missions, which resulted in a decision by the Secretary-General's Policy Committee to update the Note of Guidance to Special Representatives of the Secretary General with regard to the interface between military, political and humanitarian actors in integrated missions. WFP also took a lead in highlighting country discussions that helped to improve coordinated United Nations positions on important operations such as those in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) and Zimbabwe.

SECTION 2. FUNDING AND RESOURCES

6. WFP's fundraising efforts aim to ensure increased and stable funding from major donors, to broaden the support base, to attract new donors including private corporations and individuals, and to encourage occasional donors to become regular contributors. WFP's fund-raising strategy will be driven by the objective of increasing the impact of donations through increased flexibility and predictability, which implies a larger proportion of multilateral contributions, more cash donations, smart twinning arrangements and fewer restrictions. To that effect, the WFP Membership recently approved two strategy papers¹ that are the basis of WFP's approach to funding development and transition activities. It is recommended that in the next biennium efforts be made to reach a target of 30 percent of contributions provided multilaterally without restrictions and preferably in cash.
7. Actual 2005 contributions as at the end of September 2005 amounted to US\$2.1 billion. The 2005 forecast as of mid-October for the entire year 2005 is US\$2.8 billion.

Private Sector

8. In addition to increasing private donations by 87 percent over 2004 in the first ten months of 2005, WFP instituted structural changes and created policies and procedures to ensure that its work with private donors was implemented according to United Nations standards. WFP increased its work with the private sector in Asia, Latin America, the United Arab Emirates and the United States.
9. New private donors emerged early in the year with an outpouring of support for WFP's emergency work in the Asian tsunami crisis. Collectively, the private sector donated more than US\$57 million, providing over 20 percent of the US\$256 million food-relief appeal for tsunami survivors.

¹ "New Partnerships to Meet Rising Needs – Expanding the WFP Donor Base" (WFP/EB.3/2004/4-C) and "Funding for Effectiveness" (WFP/EB.2/2005/5-B).



10. WFP's first corporate partner, global mail and logistics company TNT, once again confirmed its extraordinary commitment by placing its expertise and transport network at WFP's disposal to move food, material and staff to the affected countries, an unparalleled instance of in-kind support amounting to nearly US\$3 million. The American Red Cross instantly gave an overwhelming US\$50 million for emergency food aid. Other donors such as the Boston Consulting Group, Spencer Stuart, Nokia, Danone, Kraft, the International Rugby Board and Unilever provided support in cash and gifts in kind.
11. Thanks in large part to their positive experience with WFP in the tsunami response, many new donors proceeded to fund emergencies in Mali, Niger and Pakistan. New longer-term relationships were established with Citigroup, Banca di Roma, Danone, DSM, Ernst & Young, Management Center Europe, PepsiCo, Unilever and Veolia among others.

SECTION 3. IMPLEMENTATION OF UNITED NATIONS REFORM MEASURES

12. 2005 was an active year for United Nations reform. WFP contributed in a number of areas: in addition to the IASC humanitarian reform process discussed previously, WFP supported inter-agency initiatives mandated by the TCPR, including programme harmonization, improvement of the RC system and United Nations common premises and services.

Harmonization of Programmes

13. In 2005 WFP strengthened its capacity in engaging with PRSPs and sector-wide approaches (SWAPs) by participating in inter-agency initiatives and developing guidance for its country offices. Although hunger has not been given high priority in PRSPs, WFP country offices have been ensuring that hunger is prioritized, especially when new PRSPs or SWAPs are prepared. In Sierra Leone, WFP helped to place food security as a top priority in the PRSP, which demonstrates the value of engagement in the process. All new country programmes (CPs) approved by the Board in 2004 and 2005 aligned WFP's programmes with national priorities in linking with the PRSPs and the United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) as overall frameworks.
14. Numerous donors supported the Government of Mozambique through direct budget support and common funding pools in several sectors. The United Nations country team (UNCT) has, with the involvement of WFP, agreed to align the 2007–2009 UNDAF with PRSP II to harmonize the United Nations planning cycle with that of the Government.
15. In Afghanistan, WFP was a leader in the UNCT in starting joint programming. WFP headed the initiative by obtaining the agreement of several United Nations agencies and the Presidency of Afghanistan on a joint programme called the Green Afghanistan Initiative (GAIN), after which other United Nations agencies were encouraged to do the same. This led to three other joint programmes in literacy, health in schools and maternal mortality.
16. In the framework of the southern Africa Regional Directors' Team (RDT), the drive to align United Nations programming with national processes in response to the impact of HIV/AIDS on food security and governance was critical. WFP and FAO are leading joint programming efforts related to food security.



Implementation of the Common Country Assessment (CCA) and UNDAF

17. The CCA and UNDAF have been revisited with the objective of simplifying the analytical and planning processes, ensuring greater focus on development results and directing the contributions of UNDG agencies to supporting national development plans in a single centralized format focused on results. The UNDAF results matrix summarizes the United Nations approach in its focus on outcomes related to the MDGs.
18. WFP continues to participate in the UNDAF Quality Support and Assurance working group to ensure that lessons are learned and recorded for UNCTs to refer to as they begin the CCA/UNDAF process. A review of implementation instruments, which is being used for the first time since the simplification and harmonization (S&H) process was established, has revealed further possible simplification of the Common Country Programming process, including the Country Programme Action Plan (CPAP) and Annual Work Plans (AWPs), as well as identifying opportunities for joint programmes.

The Resident Coordinator System

19. WFP supported activities aimed at refining the RC assessment and selection process by working to obtain a gender balance in the RC pool. In 2005, WFP nominated five candidates, two of whom were women, for the RC assessment. Two WFP staff were selected in 2005 as RCs, bringing the number of WFP staff in RC positions to four. WFP has also been participating in the UNDG RC Issues Group (RCIG), which has been developing an accountability framework for RCs and UNCTs through improving the RC/UNCT performance appraisal systems by linking it to the UNDAF results matrix.

United Nations Common Services and Premises

⇒ *Common Services*

20. During 2005, the six new regional inter-agency teams provided common services workshops and other technical interventions to foster joint operational arrangements in 28 countries. WFP shares the costs of two regional common services advisers in Africa; selected WFP staff have been trained as resource persons, providing expertise to WFP on an ad hoc basis.
21. The objective of a common services management system is to achieve 10 percent annual savings of administrative budgets in countries with a substantial United Nations presence. In 2005, a web-based system was designed to support in-country management, transparency and accountability to measure the quantitative and qualitative results of the initiatives for reporting to UNCTs and the UNDG. This system, successfully piloted in Ecuador, Nigeria, the Philippines and Zimbabwe, will be rolled out shortly to 22 other countries.

⇒ *Common Premises*

22. WFP uses common premises in 22 of the 30 countries where it is present and where there are United Nations houses. Country office moves into and out of common premises are funded through WFP's contributions to United Nations reform, which totalled US\$800,000 for the last biennium. This funding was provided for the design or rehabilitation of common premises in Algeria, Armenia, Mauritania and Zambia, a building assessment in Bhutan and participation in the UNDG management group. WFP continues to encourage its country offices to move into common premises where financial, logistical and security considerations favour it. The advantages include cost savings in



infrastructure and administrative services and in creating an environment conducive to greater collaboration among United Nations agencies. The disadvantages are limited flexibility in responding to WFP's changing needs for office space and loss of direct control over premises; WFP, more than any other Ex-Com agency, is subjected to significant changes in operational tempo and resulting increases or decreases in office space requirements.

23. However, security and protection concerns about grouping many United Nations staff in the same building dictate that a thorough security risk assessment be carried out prior to a decision by WFP to join in a new or existing United Nations house; if the outcome is negative, WFP will decline to participate, even if all other indicators are favourable.

⇒ *Joint Offices*

24. The common services and premises efforts have come together in the concept of a joint office, the first pilot of which is scheduled to go live in Cape Verde in January 2006. WFP supports these efforts with a view to enhancing United Nations operational efficiency, but mechanisms are required to accommodate WFP's need to grow or shrink suddenly in response to emergencies. There are also questions as to whether the substantial time and resources invested in harmonizing different agencies' administrative requirements in order to begin the Cape Verde joint office pilot will produce sufficient gains and efficiencies to be cost-effective in the long-term.

United Nations Joint Logistics Centre (UNJLC) and Other Common Logistical Support

25. The UNJLC is an inter-agency facility started in 2002 that is mandated to coordinate and optimize the logistics capabilities of humanitarian organizations in large-scale emergencies. WFP is responsible for its administrative and financial management. A synthesis review carried out on major field operations and core unit activities was approved by the Board in November 2005.
26. One of the main challenges has been decreasing donor support for the UNJLC core unit in Rome, which initiates and supports field operations. Insufficient funding for its activities reduces UNJLC's ability to improve operational response through rapid deployment of staff.
27. In 2005, the UNJLC provided support to the United Nations Disaster Assessment and Coordination (UNDAC) team deployments in Indonesia and Sri Lanka in response to the Indian Ocean tsunami. It phased out in Sri Lanka in April and Indonesia in September. UNJLC also provided assistance to the Humanitarian Coordinator (HC) in DRC and continued coordination of the non-food item deliveries and management of the non-food pipeline in Darfur, Sudan. UNJLC deployed staff in response to the Pakistan earthquake and provided the humanitarian community with logistics coordination and information-management services.
28. WFP was requested by the United Nations Office of the Recovery Coordinator (UNORC) in Indonesia to provide a common sea service for shipment of up to 600,000 mt of reconstruction and shelter materials in Aceh. As a result, WFP is undertaking emergency rehabilitation of ports destroyed during the Tsunami and is now managing the largest ever humanitarian sea operation on behalf of UN Agencies, the IFRC, NGOs and the government.



United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS)

29. During 2005, UNHAS provided assistance in response to major emergencies in Indonesia, Niger and Pakistan in addition to ongoing operations in Afghanistan, Angola, Burundi, Chad, DRC, Ivory Coast, Somalia, Sudan and Tanzania.
30. As of 30 September 2005, the 77 aircraft and heavy-lift helicopters managed by UNHAS had transported 247,000 passengers and 210,000 mt of cargo for United Nations agencies and over 200 non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in support of relief operations. In October, UNHAS provided immediate support after the earthquake in Pakistan with a massive operation involving 15 civilian and 7 military heavy-lift aircraft operating from five bases.
31. Several audit missions, including a comprehensive review by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), were conducted in 2005 to assist UNHAS in enhancing the quality and safety of its operations.

SECTION 4. COLLABORATION WITH PARTNERS

32. Partnerships with governments, United Nations organizations and international and national non-governmental organizations (NGOs) are crucial to the work of WFP. In 2004, WFP collaborated with eight United Nations agencies, the World Bank, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), the International Organization for Migration (IOM) and 1,942 NGOs – 223 international and 1,719 national – in 75 countries. Statistical data on partnerships for 2005 will be available in the Annual Performance Report to the Board at its 2006 Annual Session. Partnership-strengthening activities in 2005 increasingly focused on partners with whom WFP can most effectively collaborate to achieve MDGs and its Strategic Objectives.

Rome-Based Agencies – FAO and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)

33. WFP continued to work with FAO and IFAD, especially in situations where the twin-track approach of combining direct food aid with other development interventions could be applied. Highlights of this collaboration include:
 - Junior farmer field and life school (JFFLS) projects in Mozambique started in 2004 with 24 schools; plans for scale-up include 50 new sites. This is an innovative and sustainable new approach to securing the future livelihoods and long-term food security of orphans and children affected by HIV/AIDS. After its success in Mozambique, JFFLS expanded to other countries in the region: in Namibia, FAO expanded from one pilot to six sites for 30 children each, with financial support from WFP and Finland. FAO, WFP and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) – the newest JFFLS partner – received funding for start-up in Swaziland, which will be implemented at six sites. In Zambia, WFP helps to ensure that the basic nutritional needs of orphans are met, in partnership with a local child care centre.
 - WFP and FAO collaborated in fighting the locust infestation that hit parts of Africa. WFP supported FAO by transporting pesticides to Burkina Faso, Eritrea, and Niger in WFP aircraft based in Brindisi with funds provided by the Italian Government. WFP also based a senior logistics officer at FAO headquarters.



- WFP collaborated with FAO in supporting countries implementing the Home Grown School Feeding Programme (HGSFP) launched in September 2005 and led by the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD). This is one of the flagship programmes of NEPAD: it seeks to increase food supply and reduce hunger. Nigeria is one of the ten African countries identified for piloting this initiative; WFP will be providing expertise in implementation, monitoring and evaluation. Negotiations with Ghana are under way.
- In Kenya, WFP and FAO are collaborating on the development of disaster-management and food-security decision-support tools for the Government. Partners include the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the World Bank, the Famine Early-Warning System Network (FEWS-NET) and UNICEF.
- FAO and WFP joint crop and food supply assessment missions continue to play a major role in humanitarian food-security interventions. In 2004 and early 2005, joint missions alerted the humanitarian community to the impending food crisis in Niger and helped estimate the impact of the tsunami in Aceh, Indonesia; 11 assessments were fielded in 2005 in southern Africa, Ethiopia, Niger, Sudan and Indonesia. Constant efforts are made to improve methods and transparency, including encouraging the participation of donors and observers.
- In India, where WFP is hosting an IFAD office in New Dehli, IFAD co-funds an eight-year WFP food-for-work (FFW) programme that focuses on marginal households, women, landless people, hill farmers and tribal groups. In Tanzania, WFP's collaboration with IFAD concentrates on constructing and rehabilitating 160 km of irrigation canals. In the Lao People's Democratic Republic (PDR), WFP and IFAD continued to assist food-insecure households in transition under the Rural Livelihoods Improvement Programme: WFP provides rice for asset creation through FFW.
- The Rome-based agencies, which are co-founders of the International Alliance Against Hunger (IAAH), co-signed a letter in October inviting all staff deployed in the field to support IAAH and national alliances in their countries. As of September 2005, there were 19 active national alliances; 15 more were being organized.

Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)

34. WFP's response to the HIV/AIDS pandemic is characterized by collaboration with co-sponsors and partners in the global HIV/AIDS response. Highlights of WFP's inter-agency activities as a UNAIDS co-sponsor include:

- Rapid assessment, analysis and action planning (RAAAP) for orphans and vulnerable children, in partnership with UNAIDS, UNICEF and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). WFP has been active in these assessments, which cover 17 countries in sub-Saharan Africa, mapping vulnerability, assessing needs, resource availability and organizational capacities, and developing policies and programmes. The first phase, involving basic information on nine countries in southern Africa, was completed in mid-2004; it is continuing in 2005 with increased emphasis on costing of interventions and monitoring and evaluation of national plans where additional countries will be added to the exercise.
- Care and treatment. In partnership with governments, NGOs and other United Nations agencies, WFP worked to expand access to food and nutritional support for food-insecure people living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA) and their families, and to support programmes to prevent HIV transmission from mother to child. In Kenya, WFP



provides food assistance to 63,000 people a year. WFP also supports anti-retroviral therapy (ART) programmes in Burkina Faso, the Central African Republic, Côte d'Ivoire, India, Lesotho, Malawi, Mali, Mozambique, Niger, Swaziland and Zambia.

- Prevention education took place in 26 countries in Africa, Asia, Latin America and Central America, targeting 2.3 million people. Prevention education and awareness is integrated in WFP's school feeding, FFW, food-for-training (FFT) and mother-and-child health (MCH) programmes. In Swaziland, WFP is training 360 women as community counsellors in health and personal security, in coordination with the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA); the programme emphasizes HIV/AIDS prevention and sensitivity to potential sexual exploitation and abuse, and promotes expanded awareness of HIV/AIDS in a country with the highest prevalence rate in the world.
- In Malawi, WFP launched an innovative project with its partner TNT, the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Transport in which two wellness centres were established in the WFP warehouse. The facility provides information, education and counselling on prevention of HIV and sexually transmitted diseases, diagnosis, free treatment and condoms. The project targets truck drivers, warehouse staff and commercial sex workers.

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

35. Following the World Education Forum in Dakar in April 2000, WFP participated in the Education for All (EFA) movement under the leadership of UNESCO. In July 2005, WFP attended the sixth meeting in Paris, where food for education (FFE) was recognized as an important strategy for the education of disadvantaged groups, particularly rural populations. WFP is also a member of the UNESCO-led Inter-Agency Task Team on HIV/AIDS and Education, which focuses on mobilizing commitment for prevention education and promotes exchange of information. In Egypt, a pilot initiative was recently launched in cooperation with UNESCO to support the rehabilitation of street children.

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)

36. WFP and UNHCR continued their collaboration in 2005 to meet the needs of 3 million refugees in 29 countries. A joint work plan was agreed that focuses on operations, fundraising, advocacy and joint training. In their MOU, the agencies agreed that WFP would, on a pilot basis and at its own expense, take over responsibility for food distribution in Kenya, Pakistan, Sierra Leone, Uganda and Zambia. Joint evaluations of the pilots were completed in 2005, and the findings will be submitted to the Board in 2006.
37. In view of the major role of WFP and UNHCR at the country level, joint donor and press briefings were organized to sensitize donor representatives to the plight of refugees. This has been effective in, for example, Tanzania and Zambia.
38. In 2005, nine joint assessment missions (JAMs) were undertaken in Benin, Burundi, Cameroon, Chad, DRC, Ghana, Tanzania, Uganda and Yemen. Both agencies continued to train counterpart staff in joint assessments; workshops were organized in Dar-es-Salaam in April, Dakar in July and Nairobi in November.



39. WFP and UNHCR worked with UNICEF to identify strategies to integrate food and nutrition programmes with HIV/AIDS interventions. The resulting manual, published early in 2005, *WFP–UNHCR Integration of HIV/AIDS Activities with Food and Nutrition Support in Refugee Settings: Specific Programme Strategies*, proposes 20 ways of linking relevant activities. Implementation in Uganda and Zambia started in October 2005; an evaluation will be conducted in January 2006.

UNICEF

40. WFP's Strategic Plan identifies partnership with UNICEF as a priority: the agencies are natural partners to confront the challenges of child hunger in a coordinated and effective manner. An updated MOU was signed on 1 July 2005. While it reflects the collaboration in emergencies and rehabilitation in addition to transition and development contexts, it focuses on three areas: (i) increasing enrolment and retention of young girls' primary schools; (ii) reducing malnutrition; and (iii) reducing vulnerability to, and the risk and burden of HIV/AIDS especially for orphans and vulnerable children in emergency, transition and development contexts. It also emphasizes cooperation in combating sexual exploitation and abuse, and affirms cooperation in emergency preparedness, VAM, emergency food security assessments, logistics and telecommunications. The following are highlights of WFP/UNICEF collaboration:

- **Essential Package interventions in primary schools.** UNICEF supports provision of water and latrines in 30 countries and hygiene education in 23 countries. De-worming of school children has been carried out in 31 countries, mostly in collaboration with UNICEF and the World Health Organization (WHO). School gardens are implemented in collaboration with FAO in 11 countries, including Cambodia, DRC and Pakistan.
- WFP's regional initiative with partners in basic education in West Africa, the Sahel Alliance, embraces the concept of the Essential Learning Package and seeks a massive mobilization of resources for education, including school feeding. There is a strong sense of programme ownership, which has facilitated joint monitoring exercises, but challenges still face both agencies, especially in harmonizing targeting criteria, designing joint programmes and mapping common areas.
- **Prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT)** programmes in the Central African Republic, Ethiopia, Guinea Bissau, Lesotho, Malawi, Mali, Mozambique, Rwanda, Swaziland, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe are being implemented jointly with UNICEF. In Mali, WFP provides nutritional support for pregnant HIV-positive women enrolled in PMTCT programmes, in partnership with the Government, UNICEF and others.
- In Ethiopia, WFP is collaborating with UNICEF on a joint **child survival** programme "Enhanced Outreach Strategy for Child Survival Initiatives", which targets malnourished children and pregnant and lactating women. In support of the Disaster Prevention and Preparedness Commission and the Federal Ministry of Health, WFP provides supplementary feeding, nutrition education and capacity-building for women to manage the food component.
- **Emergency assessments.** In collaboration with UNICEF, FAO, the Centre for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Government of Sudan, WFP undertook the largest food security and nutritional assessment since the start of the crisis in Darfur, Sudan. The survey revealed dramatic improvement in the nutritional situation, and also highlighted the precarious nature of food security in Darfur.



WHO

41. In 2005, WFP continued its strong collaboration with WHO, focusing on areas related to nutrition, HIV/AIDS, de-worming and joint programming in emergencies. In the response to the tsunami, WFP collaborated with WHO in the Standardized Monitoring and Assessment of Relief and Transitions (SMART) initiative.
42. WFP continues to support WHO's roll-out of ART through the 3x5 initiative and is working with WHO and UNICEF to develop guidelines related to food assistance in HIV care and treatment programmes. In April, WFP participated in a WHO technical consultation on nutrition and HIV/AIDS in South Africa, which reviewed scientific evidence related to nutrition and HIV/AIDS and discussed its programme and policy implications.
43. In 2005, WHO continued to provide technical assistance for WFP-supported de-worming programmes through school feeding. In targeted de-worming for 6.1 million children in Afghanistan, WFP helped to organize training for 9,000 teachers on distributing the tablets, and on basic health, hygiene and life skills to be passed on to the children. In Haiti, the de-worming campaign covered 500,000 children in the first phase in May 2005. The challenge is to continue de-worming activities systematically to cover all WFP-assisted school feeding programmes, which will require continuous support from donors and cooperation with governments to integrate the programme into national de-worming programmes.

World Bank

44. WFP carried out a baseline survey of its relationship with the World Bank at the country level. The results show that 11 country offices have formal agreements with the World Bank; 13 countries have agreements in preparation. The collaboration focuses on preparation of PRSPs, FFE, food aid to HIV/AIDS-infected people and their families, and post-disaster reconstruction, for example in Indonesia. A recent initiative was the use of World Bank fast-track funds in support of school feeding, for example in Mauritania. WFP is strengthening cooperation to address food insecurity and poverty, for example in Niger.
45. WFP continued to maintain a senior staff member in Washington as a representative to the Bretton Woods Institutions (BWI); the World Bank seconded three of its senior staff to WFP.

NGOs

46. In 2004, 90 percent of country offices collaborated with NGOs. WFP worked to increase involvement with NGO partners at the project-design stage and to seek more partnerships in cases where WFP can complement NGOs.
47. In 2005, a review of the 2004 cost-sharing agreements was undertaken in Mozambique and Sudan. WFP's relationship with NGOs is increasingly transparent and payments have become more timely, but WFP and cooperating NGO partners agreed to enhance the guidance material and make minor amendments to the Field Level Agreement template, and to review training options.
48. WFP published a handbook entitled *How to Work with WFP* to enhance NGO partners' understanding of WFP's expectations and responsibilities.



49. The “Walk the World” initiative encouraged the participation of NGOs for the first time. Contributions from the Rome walk were used to support the WFP school feeding programme in Somalia in collaboration with two Italian NGOs — the *Comitato di Coordinamento delle Organizzazioni per il Servizio Volontario* (COSV) and *Acqua per la Vita*.
50. WFP’s annual consultation with NGO partners in October 2005 brought together 25 participating organizations. It was the tenth anniversary of the event and was dedicated to the theme “Ending Child Hunger in Partnership”.

SECTION 5. FOLLOW-UP TO INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

2005 World Summit

51. The outcome document of the World Summit on 14–16 September in New York contained a comprehensive framework for integrated United Nations system-wide follow-up to major international conferences. An unambiguous commitment by all governments to achieve the MDGs by 2015, it calls for additional action in three areas of significant WFP programme activity: (i) expansion of school meal programmes, using home-grown food where possible; (ii) eradication of poverty, hunger and malnutrition, particularly as they affect children; and (iii) improving United Nations system-wide humanitarian-response capacity. The wording of the outcome document regarding the importance of food security and rural agricultural development was a result of cooperation between the Rome-based agencies in United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and the drafting process in preparation for the Summit. WFP’s Strategic Plan (2006–2009) is based on ways in which WFP can best support achievement of the MDGs and thus continue to be active in summit follow-up on all three issues through its own programmes and through collective action with its United Nations, NGO and governmental partners.

Paris High-Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness

52. WFP continues to be involved in Paris High-Level Forum follow-up with UNDG partner agencies in establishing baselines and targets for 11 of the agreed key indicators. Guidance was provided for all WFP country directors, who were encouraged to support the Paris declaration development agenda at the country level.

World Conference on Disaster Reduction (WCDR)

53. The WCDR in Kobe, Japan, in January 2005 resulted in adoption of the Hyogo Declaration and the Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA). The main commitments present WFP with an opportunity to continue to build on past work and to develop new initiatives in disaster-risk reduction and emergency preparedness. As a follow-up, WFP is engaged to a greater extent in coordination work to strengthen the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (ISDR), which will facilitate the implementation of the HFA.
54. WFP is currently consolidating and mainstreaming its capacities in emergency preparedness and response, multi-hazard early warning and risk management. An important capacity-building effort is under way at various organizational levels, particularly at regional bureaux and country offices.



55. WFP is providing more capacity-building assistance for national governments and regional institutions in disaster preparedness and response and risk management. WFP supports the strengthening of national disaster management and response systems in areas vulnerable to seasonal hazards that can adversely impact food security, for example Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Latin America, Mozambique, southern Africa and the Sudan. WFP is also assisting the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), NEPAD and the African Union (AU) in establishing and developing emergency-preparedness and risk-management strategies and capacities.

SECTION 6. OTHER ISSUES RELEVANT TO IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TCPR

Gender Mainstreaming

56. WFP has a strong commitment to mainstreaming gender in all field operations. WFP's "Gender Policy (2003–2007): Enhanced Commitments to Women (ECW) to Ensure Food Security" has been operationalized and mainstreamed. Gender has also been mainstreamed into the main operational sectors of WFP's programmes and guidelines:
- VAM focuses on the use of sex-disaggregated data to increase the gender sensitivity of VAM analyses and improve emergency preparedness and response. Thematic guidelines – *Integrating a Gender Perspective into Vulnerability Analysis* – were released in March 2005.
 - Gender was well integrated into the recent food security and nutrition assessment in Darfur, Sudan, through specific questions that investigate differences in the needs and perceptions of the sexes at the household and community levels. The Darfur mission's report will feature a chapter on demographic and gender issues. Gender was also mainstreamed into food security assessment questionnaires in Niger and Pakistan.
 - In terms of accountability, gender issues are increasingly scrutinized during evaluations of WFP field programmes; gender is integrated into WFP's results-based monitoring system.
57. WFP Ghana works with Opportunities Industrialization Centres International to conduct skills training in food processing and production for women's groups associated with the WFP-supported community health and nutrition centres (CHNCs). The training is intended to assist pregnant and lactating women in income generation to supplement and eventually substitute current WFP food rations.

⇒ Challenges

58. WFP relies on partners for implementation and monitoring and is frequently hindered by the lack of capacity in collecting sex-disaggregated data or providing gender-specific information. Increased efforts are required to strengthen women's control over resources, including food in emergency situations, without putting women at risk.

⇒ Gender Balance among WFP Staff

59. In the first semester of 2005, 28 of the 73 recruits to WFP were women, 38 percent compared with 43 percent for the same period in 2004. As at 30 September 2005, women staff members accounted for 39.9 percent of international professional staff, compared with 39.6 percent at 30 September 2004. The need to take on more women managers was



highlighted to recruiting staff to reach WFP's targets of 50 percent women staff, in line with United Nations gender targets, and 50 percent of staff recruited being women. Updated statistics for 2005 will be available in the Annual Performance Report presented to the Board at its 2006 Annual Session.

Capacity-Building

60. WFP's Strategic Objective 5 is to strengthen the capacities of countries and regions to establish and manage food-assistance and hunger-reduction programmes. WFP has strengthened its policy framework and its operational focus on mainstreaming capacity-building activities and continues to participate in the UNDG working group on capacity development to support a harmonized approach to capacity-development at the country level.
61. During 2005, WFP began to implement projects focusing on strengthening the capacity of countries and regions to address hunger. The Latin America and Caribbean regional bureau launched several projects to strengthen analysis of acute malnutrition, response mechanisms for natural disasters and regional knowledge-sharing. WFP's southern Africa regional bureau is implementing a project to strengthen vulnerability analysis and nutritional surveillance in southern Africa. WFP continued to supported capacity-development through food-aid programmes, particularly to strengthen operational capabilities and the use of community-based approaches in fighting hunger.

Transition from Relief to Development

62. The nature of WFP's assistance portfolio makes transition a major area of interest: 90 percent of the countries in which WFP was engaged in emergency operations (EMOPs) or protracted relief and recovery operations (PRROs) in 2004 were countries in transition following a conflict or an economic or natural disaster. WFP is involved in discussions on transition at Board meetings and through UNDG, ECHA, IASC and ECOSOC and at joint meetings of the Executive Boards.
63. WFP contributed to and is benefiting from outputs of the UNDG/ECHA Working Group on Transition, for example the *Post-Conflict Needs Assessment (PCNA) Handbook*, the conflict-analysis framework and transitional results matrices. WFP works to ensure that decisions taken in these fora and new initiatives reflect its long experience and field presence in conflict-affected and transitional countries.
64. WFP strengthened its role in dealing with transition at the 2005 Joint Meeting of the Executive Boards, at which it presented the item on transition, which it will also present in 2006. WFP led a panel discussion on transition from relief to development with a focus on recovery from natural disaster during ECOSOC 2005. This role has extended to the Commission of the African Union (AUC), ECOWAS and NEPAD. WFP opened liaison offices at the AU and the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) in 2004 to enhance coordination between WFP and the AU, including post-conflict transitional strategy and response.
65. Innovative programme approaches in transition contexts in 2005 include the piloting of cash in lieu of food in Sri Lanka for most-vulnerable households affected by the tsunami. A drought insurance pilot project in Ethiopia was submitted to the Board in November 2005, which aims to contribute to an ex-ante risk-management system to protect vulnerable people's livelihoods from severe and catastrophic weather events.



Evaluation

66. During 2005, the Office of Evaluation (OEDE) worked on three important thematic evaluations based on country case studies: (i) targeting in relief operations; (ii) review of direct feeding by WFP in five WFP/UNHCR refugee operations, undertaken jointly with UNHCR; and (iii) review of WFP's nutrition interventions. OEDE completed the review of the UNJLC core unit and prepared a synthesis report of UNJLC reviews covering Afghanistan, Iraq and Liberia. Ten evaluations of PRROs, EMOPs and country programmes (development activities) were completed or are being completed, including a real-time evaluation of the tsunami response, which was submitted to the Board in November 2005.
67. OEDE is a member of the United Nations Evaluation Group (UNEG). With the evaluation offices of FAO and IFAD, it co-hosted UNEG's annual meeting in Rome on 27–29 April 2005. For the first time, UNEG gave ample attention to evaluation of humanitarian assistance as well as real-time evaluations; the latter were based on experiences of OCHA, UNHCR, UNICEF and WFP. A major landmark was the adoption of *Norms and Standards for Evaluation in the United Nations System* on 29 April 2005. OEDE is a member of the UNEG Board and co-chair of the Quality Stamp Task Group.

SECTION 7. ACTIVITIES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARDS

68. Members of the Executive Boards of WFP, UNDP, UNFPA and UNICEF jointly visited Azerbaijan in May 2005; the visit was coordinated by the WFP Executive Board Secretariat. The purpose was to enhance Board members' understanding of the modalities and extent of the agencies' contribution to achieving the MDGs and of the ways in which they support the Government in achieving the goals. The mission recognized the success of the Azerbaijan UNCT in fostering the linkage between the MDGs and the State Programme for Poverty Reduction and Economic Development (SPPRED).
69. The President of WFP's Executive Board participated with the Deputy Executive Director for Policy and External Affairs and the Secretary to the Executive Board in the Joint Meeting of the Boards of WFP, UNDP, UNFPA and UNICEF in New York in January 2005, at which WFP coordinated the item on transition from relief to development. It was stressed that UNDG should have an important role in planning and implementing activities for transition in post-conflict and post-disaster situations. The need for international financial institutions to engage with UNDG agencies in this area was also raised.
70. In March 1999, WFP embarked on a project to strengthen its governance, which included making the Board more strategic and more efficient, implemented with assistance from the Steering Group on Governance between 2000 and 2005. A final report was submitted to the Board's 2005 Second Regular Session. The issues raised included the dual parentage of WFP, involving the roles of the Board, the General Assembly, ECOSOC, the FAO Council and the FAO Conference, and dual advice and reporting lines for budgets, accounts and other matters to the United Nations and FAO, which resulted in extra costs and delays. The group recommended that these issues be addressed in due course.



ACRONYMS USED IN THE DOCUMENT

AIDS	auto-immune deficiency syndrome
ART	anti-retroviral therapy
AU	African Union
AUC	Commission of the African Union
AWP	Annual Work Plan
BWI	Bretton Woods Institutions
CAP	Consolidated Appeals Process
CCA	Common Country Assessment
CDC	Centre for Disease Control and Prevention
CHAP	Common Humanitarian Action Plan
CHNC	community health and nutrition centres
COSV	<i>Comitato di Coordinamento delle Organizzazioni per il Servizio Volontario</i>
CP	country programme
CPAP	Country Programme Action Plan
DPRK	Democratic People's Republic of Korea
DRC	Democratic Republic of Congo
ECA	United Nations Economic Commission for Africa
ECHA	Executive Committee on Humanitarian Affairs
ECOSOC	United Nations Economic and Social Council
ECOWAS	Economic Community of West African States
ECW	Enhanced Commitments to Women
EFA	Education for All
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EMOP	emergency operation
FAO	Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations
FEWS-NET	Famine Early-Warning System Network
FFE	food for education
FFT	food for training
FFW	food for work
GAIN	Green Afghanistan Initiative
HC	humanitarian coordinator
HEWS	humanitarian early-warning system
HFA	Hyogo Framework for Action



HGSFP	Home Grown School Feeding Programme
HIV	human immuno-deficiency virus
IAAH	International Alliance Against Hunger
IASC	Inter-Agency Standing Committee
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
ICRC	International Committee of the Red Cross
IDP	internally displaced person
IFAD	International Fund for Agricultural Development
IFRC	International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies
IOM	International Organization for Migration
ISDR	International Strategy for Disaster Reduction
JAM	joint assessment mission
JFFLS	junior farmer field and life schools
MCH	mother-and-child health
MDG	Millennium Development Goals
MOU	memorandum of understanding
NAF	needs analysis framework
NEPAD	New Partnership for Africa's Development
NGO	non-governmental organization
OCHA	Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs
OEDE	Office of Evaluation
PCNA	post-conflict needs assessment
PDE	External Relations Division
PDR	People's Democratic Republic
PLWHA	people living with HIV/AIDS
PMTCT	prevention of mother-to-child transmission
PRRO	protracted relief and recovery operation
PRSP	Poverty-Reduction Strategy Paper
RAAAP	rapid assessment, analysis and action planning
RC	Resident Coordinator
RCIG	Resident Coordinator issues group
RDT	Regional Director's team
S&H	simplification and harmonization
SMART	standardized monitoring and assessment of relief and transitions
SPPRED	State Programme for Poverty Reduction and Economic Development
SWAPs	sector-wide approaches



TCPR	Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review
UNAIDS	Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS
UNCT	United Nations country team
UNDAC	United Nations Disaster Assessment and Coordination
UNDAF	United Nations Development Assistance Framework
UNDG	United Nations Development Group
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNEG	United Nations Evaluation Group
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNFPA	United Nations Population Fund
UNHAS	United Nations Humanitarian Air Service
UNHCR	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
UNJLC	United Nations Joint Logistics Centre
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
VAM	vulnerability analysis and mapping
WCDR	World Conference on Disaster Reduction
WHO	World Health Organization



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TABLE 1: GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS THAT MENTION WFP AS A FOLLOW-UP AGENCY

Resolution number and date of adoption	Timing	Title	Action by WFP
A/RES/59/9 22 Oct. 2004	Ongoing	Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States	WFP signed an MOU with the League of Arab States in August 2004 on mutual cooperation. ODC has attended several conferences in various sectors to expand WFP's knowledge of activities.
A/RES/59/211 20 Dec. 2004	Ongoing	Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel	WFP/EB.1/2005/10: "Funding Arrangements for United Nations Staff Safety and Security". WFP/EB.A/2005/12-D: "Information Paper on the Implementation of New Security Management Arrangement".
A/RES/59/212 20 Dec. 2004	Ongoing	International cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters, from relief to development	WFP/EB.1/2005/4-B: "Exiting Emergencies". WFP's follow-up on humanitarian assistance is comprehensively reported in the main text of the 2005 Annual Report.
A/RES/59/254 23 Dec. 2004	Ongoing	New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support	WFP/EB.2/2005/4-G: "Update on the Implementation and Achievements of the MOU between WFP and NEPAD".
A/RES/59/255 23 Dec. 2004	Ongoing	Implementation of the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa	WFP's ability to forecast socio-political events has been improved, facilitating early action to mitigate or avert adverse effects of conflicts on food security. The role of food aid in disarmament, demobilization and reintegration (DDR) was assessed to determine WFP's future role in DDR.
A/RES/59/216 A/RES/59/217 A/RES/59/219 A/RES/59/214 A/RES/59/215 A/RES/59/218 22 Dec. 2004	Ongoing	General Assembly Resolution on international assistance for the economic rehabilitation of Angola, humanitarian assistance and rehabilitation for Ethiopia, assistance for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of Liberia, assistance to Mozambique, humanitarian and special economic assistance to Serbia and Montenegro, assistance for humanitarian relief and the economic and social rehabilitation of Somalia.	WFP provides inputs on its achievements to the report of the Secretary-General through the RC.
A/RES/59/231 22 Dec. 2004	Ongoing	International strategy for disaster reduction.	WFP/EB.A/2005/5-A/Rev.1: "Strategic Plan (2006–2009)". WFP/EB.2/2005/5-A/1: "Biennial Management Plan (2006–2007)".

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A/RES/59/233 22 Dec. 2004	Ongoing	Natural disasters and vulnerability.	WFP/EB.A/2005/5-A/Rev.1: "Strategic Plan (2006–2009)". WFP/EB.2/2005/5-A/1: "Biennial Management Plan (2006–2007)".
A/RES/59/202 20 Dec. 2004	Ongoing	The right to food.	WFP/EB.2/2005/4-B: "WFP and the Voluntary Guidelines to Support the Progressive Realization of the Right to Adequate Food in the Context of National Food Security".
A/RES/59/310 14 July 2005	Ongoing	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS).	WFP has been cooperating with government partners in ECCAS in research, planning and implementation of programmes that contribute to national development plans aiming to improve the economic, social, humanitarian and environmental challenges faced in the region, with particular emphasis on combating the spread of HIV/AIDS. WFP organized a regional workshop on HIV/AIDS and nutrition with partners in the region in November 2005. WFP programmes target people affected by HIV/AIDS in the Central African Republic and Chad.
A/RES/59/299 22 June 2005	Ongoing	Financing of the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy.	Costs relating to WFP will be covered by the Government of Italy; the Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO) will be responsible for its own funding. Negotiations are continuing on finalization of the implementation agreement for San Vito; WFP, the lead agency for this purpose, will sign the agreement on behalf of the United Nations.



TABLE 2: SALIENT POINTS RAISED AT THE 128TH SESSION OF THE FAO COUNCIL (ROME, 20–25 JUNE 2005)

Paragraphs	Action by WFP
57. Some concern was expressed over the decreasing level of multilateral contributions, especially as regarded development activities, and donors were invited to provide more funding. Collaboration efforts with FAO regarding the twin-track approach, emergency food needs assessments, emergency responses, nutrition, and provision of agricultural inputs were commended. It was suggested that WFP should make further efforts to widen its donor base. The Council <u>stressed the importance</u> of WFP's successful collaboration with FAO.	WFP/EB.2/2005/5-B: "Funding for Effectiveness". WFP/EB.2/2005/5-A/1: "Biennial Management Plan (2006–2007)". WFP/EB.A/2005/5-A/Rev.1: "Strategic Plan (2006–2009)".

TABLE 3: SALIENT POINTS RAISED AT THE 127TH SESSION OF THE FAO COUNCIL (ROME, 22–27 NOVEMBER 2004)

Paragraphs	Action by WFP
33. The Council <u>welcomed</u> the increased financial contributions, as well as the expansion of the donor base. The Council <u>acknowledged</u> the concerns expressed with respect to the decreasing level of multilateral funding.	WFP/EB.2/2005/5-B: "Funding for Effectiveness". WFP/EB.2/2005/5-A/1: "Biennial Management Plan (2006–2007)". WFP/EB.A/2005/5-A/Rev.1: "Strategic Plan (2006–2009)".
34. Some Members recommended that WFP provide an account of work carried out in tackling the underlying causes of food emergencies for its next Annual Report, on the basis of guidelines issued by the Thirty-second Session of the FAO Conference in 2003.	WFP/EB.2/2005/4-B: "WFP and the Voluntary Guidelines to Support the Progressive Realization of the Right to Adequate Food in the Context of National Food Security".
35. Many Members requested that WFP continue its work to strengthen early warning systems and the capacity of developing countries to respond to natural and man-made disasters.	WFP/EB.1/2005/4-B: "Exiting Emergencies". WFP/EB.A/2005/5-A/Rev.1: "Strategic Plan (2006–2009)". Humanitarian early warning is part of a broader emergency preparedness and response area. This competence and service are a corporate priority for WFP, as reflected in the Strategic Plan (2006–2009). Strengthening it is linked to the achievement of Strategic Objective 1: saving lives in crisis situations. WFP recognized ahead of time the importance of relying on enhanced early-warning systems to monitor potential crises and anticipate humanitarian emergencies. WFP has therefore consistently focused on strengthening its technical early-warning knowledge, systems and capacities.



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Adoption of the Agenda

The Board adopted the agenda as presented (Annex I).

7 November 2005

Appointment of the Rapporteur

In accordance with Rule XII of its Rules of Procedure, the Board appointed Ms Tritaporn Khomapat (Thailand, List B) Rapporteur of the Second Regular Session of 2005.

7 November 2005

The decisions and recommendations in the current report will be implemented by the Secretariat in the light of the Board's deliberations, from which the main comments will be reflected in the summary of the work of the session.

CURRENT AND FUTURE STRATEGIC ISSUES

2005/EB.2/1 Current and Future Strategic Issues Facing WFP

The Board took note of the Executive Director's oral presentation on strategic issues facing WFP. The main points of the presentation and the Board's comments would be contained in the summary of the work of the session. The Board also took note of the presentation by H.E. Kuntoro Mangkusubroto, Director, Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Executing Agency for Aceh and Nias, Indonesia.

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2005/EB.2/2 Ending Child Hunger and Undernutrition Initiative

Having considered the document on the "Ending Child Hunger and Undernutrition Initiative" (WFP/EB.2/2005/3-B), the Board:

- (i) **took note** of the Concept Note on Ending Child Hunger and Undernutrition as agreed by WFP, the World Bank and UNICEF; and of the Executive Director's intention to allocate up to US\$1.5 million from 2005 PSA budget to support WFP's participation in the development and launch of a Plan of Action for the initiative;
- (ii) **welcomed** the objective of designing a common Plan of Action for the elimination of child hunger in line with efforts to achieve the First Millennium Development Goal;
- (iii) **welcomed** the intention of the Executive Director to keep the Board continuously informed on the development of the Plan of Action, including through a consultation with UNICEF and the World Bank at the First Regular Session of 2006;



- (iv) **emphasized** the importance of national ownership and partnership to ensure inclusiveness and avoid duplication among partners in supporting national efforts;
- (v) **emphasized** that the initiative should provide added value and be complementary to existing initiatives and actions;
- (vi) **looked forward** to a discussion at its Annual Session in 2006 on the Plan of Action once it had been produced, including its potential implications for WFP actions and activities, before any operational follow-up action was initiated by WFP.

7 November 2005

POLICY ISSUES

2005/EB.2/3 Response to the Evaluation of WFP's Enabling Development Policy

The Board commended WFP on its initiatives to address the recommendations of the external evaluation of the Enabling Development Policy and took note of the information provided in the management response. Further, the Board noted that WFP would require enhanced support from donor and national governments to implement the proposed actions set out in "Response to the Evaluation of WFP's Enabling Development Policy" (WFP/EB.2/2005/4-A). The Board would review progress on the implementation of the management response at its Second Regular Session in 2006.

7 November 2005

2005/EB.2/4 The Governance Project

The Board:

- (i) **took note** of the information and observations in "Final Report on the Governance Project" (WFP/EB.2/2005/4-C/Rev.1);
- (ii) **expressed** its appreciation of the work of the Governance Group, which had led to a significant improvement in the governance structure of WFP and had established procedures that could serve as best practices in the United Nations system. The Boards of United Nations Funds and Programmes would be informed on WFP achievements in this area;
- (iii) **underlined** the importance of continuing to review and improve the WFP governance structure. At its Second Regular Session each year, the Board would discuss this issue in connection with the debate on the Biennial Programme of Work of the Board. Where necessary, the debate would be preceded by informal consultations.

8 November 2005



2005/EB.2/5 Progress Report on Emergency Needs Assessment Implementation Plan

The Board took note of the update on progress made in strengthening WFP's emergency needs assessments and undertaking the activities in the 30-month implementation plan, as set out in "Strengthening Emergency Needs Assessments: Progress Report on the Implementation Plan" (WFP/EB.2/2005/4-E).

9 November 2005

2005/EB.2/6 Annual Update on School Feeding

The Board took note of the information contained in the "Annual Update on School Feeding" (WFP/EB.2/2005/4-F).

9 November 2005

2005/EB.2/7 Update on the Implementation and Achievements of the MOU between WFP and NEPAD

The Board took note of the "Update on the Implementation and Achievements of the Memorandum of Understanding between WFP and NEPAD" (WFP/EB.2/2005/4-G). It encouraged WFP to continue its support to this Africa-led initiative and to report back on further achievements.

9 November 2005

2005/EB.2/8 Common Country Programme Approach

The Board:

- (i) **noted** the Executive Director's approval of the Common Country Programme for Cape Verde;
- (ii) **welcomed** in general the CCPD as an important tool in reinforcing the combined and coherent action of the United Nations Funds and Programmes and in promoting national ownership of the programme;
- (iii) **invited** the Bureau with the assistance of the Secretariat to examine how the Board's oversight and budget responsibilities could be safeguarded under this new approach and to report to the Board; and
- (iv) **would return** to the matter, at the latest, at its Annual Session in 2006.

10 November 2005

RESOURCE, FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY MATTERS**2005/EB.2/9 WFP Biennial Management Plan (2006–2007)**

Having considered WFP's Biennial Management Plan Budget for 2006–2007, as submitted by the Executive Director in document WFP/EB.2/2005/5-A/1+Corr.1 the Board:

- (i) **took note** of the projected operational expenditure level of US\$5.1 billion, excluding new emergencies as outlined in Section II;



- (ii) **took note** that the PSA budget proposal assumed a minimum funding of 81 percent of this operational budget and may require the use of up to US\$66 million from the PSA Equalization Account to offset any potential funding shortfall;
- (iii) **took note** that ISC income from new emergencies in 2006–2007 would diminish the need to fund the PSA budget from the PSA Equalization Account;
- (iv) **approved** a PSA appropriation of **US\$367.5 million** for the following purposes:

– Programme support: regional bureau and country offices	US\$123.558 million;
– Programme support: Headquarters	US\$37.590 million;
– Management and administration	US\$206.359 million;
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Total	US\$367.507 million
- (v) **authorized** the Executive Director to allot up to US\$20.0 million from the PSA Equalization account to the Capital Asset Fund to cover non-recurring capital expenditure;
- (vi) **authorized** the Executive Director to allot up to US\$5.5 million from the PSA Equalization account to cover the completion of the capacity-building initiatives started in the previous Management Plan and due for completion in 2006–2007 for RBM and strengthening financial management;
- (vii) **approved** an ISC recovery rate of 7.0 percent for another two years. The Board would review and reconsider the ISC rate at its Annual Session in 2006 based on a report of actual 2004 and 2005 expenditures and a comparative analysis with estimated costs to be provided by the Secretariat. The review would be preceded by the Board's consideration at its First Regular Session in 2006 of a report on the potential benefits and consequences of applying a fixed ISC rate or an audited ISC rate based on actual as opposed to estimated costs;
- (viii) **authorized** the Executive Director to adjust the PSA component of the budget in accordance with any variation in volume of operations of more than 10 percent from the projected operational level outlined in Section II and requested the Executive Director to report any such adjustments to the Executive Board;
- (ix) **approved** the treatment for government counterpart cash contributions (GCCCs) outlined in the document – that all GCCC income be treated as additional support resources to be retained in-country;
- (x) **authorized** the Executive Director to carry over expenditures originally budgeted for 2004–2005 that would be more appropriately spent in 2006, up to a maximum of US\$7 million, funded from the PSA equalization account, and requested the Executive Director to report any such carry-over to the Executive Board at its First Regular Session in 2006;



- (xi) **requested** the Executive Board Bureau, in consultation with the Secretariat, to set out recommendations relating to the process and timeline for the preparation of the 2008–2009 Management Plan to be provided to the Board well in advance in order to allow for the inclusion of Board members' comments and inputs; and
- (xii) **requested** the Secretariat to prepare a report for the Annual Session of the Board in 2006, analysing WFP's cost structure, which would include: an analysis of cost components, including DSC; a review of the amount, sources and uses of the Programme's cash balances together with an explanation of what the Secretariat considers to be an appropriate cash level; a review of the possible need to increase resources available for monitoring and evaluation and a list of additional output indicators.

The Board took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.2/2005/5 (A,C,D,E,F,G,H,I)/2) and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.2/2005/5(A,C,D,E,F,G,H,I)/3).

10 November 2005

2005/EB.2/10

Funding for Effectiveness

The Board **endorsed** WFP's objective to support beneficiary needs most effectively, as presented in "Funding for Effectiveness" (WFP/EB.2/2005/5-B), and **requested** the Secretariat to submit to the Annual Session of 2006 necessary amendments to the Financial Regulations with respect to the following:

- (i) that the definition of "multilateral contribution" be updated as follows:

"A multilateral contribution is a contribution to WFP to be allocated without restriction and at the discretion of WFP for any programme category, including the IRA, for which the donor agrees to accept the Standard Project Reports and reports submitted to the Board as sufficient to meet the requirements of the donor; a multilateral contribution may also include a contribution in which the donor identifies the programme category only, but places no other restriction on its use, which will be at the sole discretion of WFP."

- (ii) that the definition of "directed contribution" be updated as follows:

"A contribution regarding which the donor requests WFP to direct it to a specific activity or activities or a specific operation or operations and agrees to accept Standard Project Reports and reports submitted to the Board as sufficient to meet the requirements of the donor."

The Board would approve the content and format of Standard Project Reports at its Annual Session of 2006 and may revise these from time to time as appropriate.

The Board encouraged WFP to seek a greater portion of contributions that are multilateral and predictable, given early in the donor's fiscal year without



requirements as to their use. The Board looked forward to an analysis and discussion of best practices and comparative benefits of local purchase and cash contributions at its First Regular Session in 2006. The Secretariat was to report to the Board on progress on "Funding for Effectiveness" on an annual basis.

11 November 2005

2005/EB.2/11 International Accounting Standards

The Board:

- (a) **took note** of the information contained in the document WFP/EB.2/2005/5-C/1 and of the proposed changes to the accounting policies and reporting as set out in paragraph 19;
- (b) **endorsed** the proposed move to international accounting standards;
- (c) **requested** the Secretariat to report back to the Board in 2006 with:
 - (i) a progress report on the transition to international accounting standards, including cost estimates and funding proposals;
 - (ii) proposed changes to the General Regulations, Rules and Financial Regulations;
 - (iii) a proposed recommendation of the most appropriate external standard for adoption by WFP.

The Board took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.2/2005/5 (A,C,D,E,F,G,H,I)/2) and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.2/2005/5(A,C,D,E,F,G,H,I)/3).

10 November 2005

2005/EB.2/12 Appointment of the External Auditor

The Board re-appointed the Comptroller and Auditor General of the United Kingdom as External Auditor of WFP for a second four-year term from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2010.

The Board also invited the Bureau to prepare for a decision by the Board on changes to the Basic Texts with a view to clarifying the procedures for re-appointment of the External Auditor.

The Board took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.2/2005/5 (A,C,D,E,F,G,H,I)/2) and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.2/2005/5(A,C,D,E,F,G,H,I)/3).

10 November 2005



2005/EB.2/13 WFP Enterprise Risk Management Policy

The Board approved “WFP Enterprise Risk Management Policy” (WFP/EB.2/2005/5-E/1) and requested the Executive Director to put in place mechanisms to implement the policy, taking into consideration the observations of the Board.

The Board took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.2/2005/5 (A,C,D,E,F,G,H,I)/2) and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.2/2005/5(A,C,D,E,F,G,H,I)/3).

9 November 2005

2005/EB.2/14 Review by the External Auditor of the Dubai Support Office and Fast Information Technology and Telecommunications Emergency and Support Team (FITTEST)

The Board took note of the “Review of the Dubai Support Office and Fast Information Technology and Telecommunications Emergency and Support Team (FITTEST): Report by the External Auditor” (WFP/EB.2/2005/5-G) and looked forward to discussing a management response to the Report.

The Board took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.2/2005/5 (A,C,D,E,F,G,H,I)/2) and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.2/2005/5(A,C,D,E,F,G,H,I)/3).

10 November 2005

EVALUATION REPORTS**2005/EB.2/15 Synthesis Review of the United Nations Joint Logistics Centre (UNJLC)**

The Board took note of the information and recommendations in “Synthesis Review of the United Nations Joint Logistics Centre (UNJLC)” (WFP/EB.2/2005/6-A).

11 November 2005

SOUTHERN AFRICA REGIONAL PORTFOLIO**EVALUATION REPORTS****2005/EB.2/16 Angola Portfolio Evaluation**

The Board took note of the recommendations in "Angola Portfolio Evaluation" (WFP/EB.2/2005/6-B) and of the management action taken, as indicated in the annex, and encouraged further action on the recommendations, taking into account considerations raised by Board members during the discussion.

8 November 2005



OPERATIONAL MATTERS

2005/EB.2/17 Budget Increases to Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations for Executive Board Approval — Southern Africa Regional 10310.0

The Board approved the budget increase to PRRO Southern Africa Regional 10310.0 “Assistance to Populations in Southern Africa Vulnerable to Food Insecurity and the Impact of AIDS” (WFP/EB.2/2005/8-C/1).

8 November 2005

EAST AND CENTRAL AFRICA REGIONAL PORTFOLIO

OPERATIONAL MATTERS

2005/EB.2/18 Country Programmes—Uganda 10426.0 (2006–2010)

The Board approved Country Programme Uganda 10426.0 (2006–2010) (WFP/EB.2/2005/7-A/1) on a no-objection basis for a total of 64,400 mt of food and a value of US\$38.2 million for all basic direct operational costs, and approved the supplementary budget for 40,860 mt of food and a value of US\$20.9 million for all direct operational costs.

8 November 2005

2005/EB.2/19 Development Projects for Executive Board Approval — Pilot Development Project: Ethiopia Drought Insurance 10486.0

The Board approved “Pilot Development Project: Ethiopia Drought Insurance 10486.0” (WFP/EB.2/2005/8-A). It invited the Secretariat to report on the initial results of the pilot project at its Annual Session in 2006. On that occasion, the Board would deliberate on any further involvement of WFP in the drought insurance scheme.

It noted that the Executive Director intended to pursue his contacts with United Nations partners on the development of drought insurance schemes and would report to the Annual Session in 2006.

10 November 2005

2005/EB.2/20 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations for Executive Board Approval — Great Lakes Regional 10062.2

The Board approved PRRO Great Lakes Regional 10062.2 “Food Aid for Relief and Recovery in the Great Lakes Region” (WFP/EB.2/2005/8-B/2) for the duration of one year. During 2006, WFP, UNHCR and interested donors would conduct a joint needs assessment mission of the operation at an agreed date and in sufficient time to assess the need for and scope of future programming and for WFP to prepare for the Second Regular Session in 2006 a revised PRRO that would take into consideration the results of the assessment.

10 November 2005



ASIA REGIONAL PORTFOLIO**EVALUATION REPORTS****2005/EB.2/21 Real-time Evaluation of WFP's Response to the Indian Ocean Tsunami—December 2004–June 2005**

The Board noted the information and recommendations in "Real-time Evaluation of WFP's Response to the Indian Ocean Tsunami—December 2004–June 2005" (WFP/EB.2/2005/6-C/Rev.1), and encouraged further action on the recommendations, taking into account considerations raised during its discussion.

9 November 2005

OPERATIONAL MATTERS**2005/EB.2/22 Budget Increases to Protracted and Recovery Operations for Executive Board Approval — Indonesia 10069.1**

The Board approved the budget increase to PRRO Indonesia 10069.1 "Assistance to Tsunami Recovery and Nutritional Rehabilitation" (WFP/EB.2/2005/8-C/2).

9 November 2005

2005/EB.2/23 Budget Increases to Protracted and Recovery Operations for Executive Board Approval — Sri Lanka 10067.1

The Board approved the budget increase to PRRO Sri Lanka 10067.1 "Assistance to Vulnerable Groups for Peace Building in Conflict- and Tsunami-Affected Areas" (WFP/EB.2/2005/8-C/3).

9 November 2005

MIDDLE EAST, CENTRAL ASIA AND EASTERN EUROPE REGIONAL PORTFOLIO**OPERATIONAL MATTERS****2005/EB.2/24 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations for Executive Board Approval — Afghanistan 10427.0**

The Board approved Afghanistan PRRO 10427.0 "Post-Conflict Relief and Rehabilitation in the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan" (WFP/EB.2/2005/8-B/1+Corr.1).

9 November 2005



WEST AFRICA REGIONAL PORTFOLIO

OPERATIONAL MATTERS

2005/EB.2/25 Country Programmes — Burkina Faso 10399.0 (2006–2010)

The Board approved Country Programme Burkina Faso 10399.0 (2006–2010) (WFP/EB.2/2005/7-A/2), on a no-objection basis, for which the food requirement was 66,652 mt at a cost of US\$29,925,511 covering all basic direct operational costs.

10 November 2005

2005/EB.2/26 Country Programmes — Ghana 10418.0 (2006–2010)

The Board approved Country Programme Ghana 10418.0 (2006–2010) (WFP/EB.2/2005/7-A/3), on a no-objection basis, for which the food requirement was 35,169 mt at a cost of US\$16.2 million, representing all basic direct operational costs.

10 November 2005

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN REGIONAL PORTFOLIO

OPERATIONAL MATTERS

2005/EB.2/27 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations for Executive Board Approval — Guatemala 10457.0

The Board approved PRRO Guatemala 10457.0 “Recovery and Prevention of Malnutrition for Vulnerable Groups” (WFP/EB.2/2005/8-B/3).

10 November 2005

ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS

2005/EB.2/28 Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2006–2007)

The Board approved the “Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2006–2007)” (WFP/EB.2/2005/10) as proposed by the Bureau and the Secretariat.

The Board invited the Bureau, with the assistance of the Secretariat, to update the Biennial Programme of Work in the light of the decisions taken at the present session.

11 November 2005



ADMINISTRATIVE AND MANAGERIAL MATTERS**2005/EB.2/29 Revised Delegation of Authority to the Executive Director for Approval of Projects and Budget Revisions for Development Portfolio**

The Board approved the following recommendations relating to delegated authority to approve country programmes and related budget revisions, as contained in document WFP/EB.2/2005/11/Rev.1:

- (i) abolition of the 10 percent limit on reallocation of resources between country programme components to facilitate adjustments to country programmes;
- (ii) inclusion of changes in orientation of country programme components in the budget revision procedure under the delegated authority of the Executive Director; and
- (iii) approval for receiving and programming additional directed resources to country programmes.

The Board would be regularly informed on the use of the delegated authority.

The delegation would apply until the end of 2006. The Board would decide at its Second Regular Session in 2006 on the continuation of the delegation in the light of experience.

11 November 2005

SUMMARY OF THE WORK OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD**2005/EB.2/30 Summary of the Work of the Annual Session of the Executive Board, 2005**

The Board endorsed the draft Summary of the work of its Annual Session of 2005, the final version of which would be contained in document WFP/EB.A/2005/16.

11 November 2005



ANNEX I

AGENDA

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 - a) Current and Future Strategic Issues Facing WFP
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 - a) Response to the Evaluation of WFP's Enabling Development Policy
 - b) WFP and the Right to Food: The Voluntary Guidelines to Support the Progressive Realization of the Right to Adequate Food in the Context of National Food Security
 - c) The Governance Project
 - d) Update of Consolidated Framework of WFP Policies
 - e) Progress Report on Emergency Needs Assessment Implementation Plan
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 - g) Review by the External Auditor of the Dubai Support Office and Fast Information Technology and Telecommunications Emergency and Support Team (FITTEST)
 - h) Annual Report of the WFP Audit Committee
 - i) Report on the Business Process Review
 - j) WFP's Communication and Advocacy Efforts in 2004–2005
6. *Evaluation reports*
 - a) Synthesis Review of the United Nations Joint Logistics Centre (UNJLC)
 - b) Angola Portfolio Evaluation
 - c) Real-time Evaluation of WFP's Response to the Indian Ocean Tsunami—December 2004–June 2005



Operational Matters

7. Country Programmes

a) Country Programmes for Executive Board approval

- Uganda 10426.0 (2006–2010)
- Burkina Faso 10399.0 (2006–2010)
- Ghana 10418.0 (2006–2010)

b) Draft Common Country Programmes

- Cape Verde (2006–2010)

8. Projects for Executive Board approval

a) Development projects

- Development Pilot Project: Ethiopia Drought Insurance

b) Protracted relief and recovery operations

- Afghanistan 10427.0
- Great Lakes Regional 10062.2
- Guatemala 10457.0

c) Budget increases to PRROs

- Indonesia 10069.1
- Southern Africa Regional 10310.0
- Sri Lanka 10067.1

9. Reports of the Executive Director on Operational Matters (1 January–30 June 2005)

a) Development Projects Approved by the Executive Director

- Cambodia 10170.1
- Djibouti 10385.0

b) Budget Increases to Development Projects Approved by the Executive Director

c) Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations Approved by the Executive Director

- Central African Republic 10189.1
- Djibouti 10283.1
- Haiti 10382.0
- Zambia 10071.2

d) Budget Increases to PRROs Approved by the Executive Director

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10. *Organizational and procedural matters*
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4 b)	WFP and the Voluntary Guidelines to Support the Progressive Realization of the Right to Adequate Food in the Context of National Food Security	WFP/EB.2/2005/4-B
4 c)	Final Report on the Governance Project	WFP/EB.2/2005/4-C/Rev.1
4 d)	Consolidated Framework of WFP policies	WFP/EB.2/2005/4-D/Rev.1
4 e)	Strengthening Emergency Needs Assessment: Progress Report on the Implementation Plan	WFP/EB.2/2005/4-E
4 f)	Annual Update of School Feeding	WFP/EB.2/2005/4-F
4 g)	Update on the Implementation and Achievements of the Memorandum of Understanding between WFP and NEPAD	WFP/EB.2/2005/4-G
4 h)	United Nations Common Country Programme Approach: Implications for WFP	WFP/EB.2/2005/4-H
Resource, financial and budgetary matters		
5 a)	WFP Biennial Management Plan (2006-2007)	WFP/EB.2/2005/5-A/1 + Corr.1
	Report of ACABQ	WFP/EB.2/2005/5 (A,C,D,E,F,G,H,I)/2
	Report of the FAO Finance Committee	WFP/EB.2/2005/5 (A,C,D,E,F,G,H,I)/3
5 b)	Funding for Effectiveness	WFP/EB.2/2005/5-B



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5 c)	International Accounting Standards	WFP/EB.2/2005/5-C/1
5 d)	Appointment of the External Auditor	WFP/EB.2/2005/5-D/1/Rev.1
5 e)	WFP Enterprise Risk Management Policy	WFP/EB.2/2005/5-E/1
5 f)	Follow-Up on the Recommendations of the External Auditor	WFP/EB.2/2005/5-F/1 + Corr.1
5 g)	Review of the Dubai Support Office and Fast Information Technology and Telecommunications Emergency and Support Team (FITTEST) – Report by the External Auditor	WFP/EB.2/2005/5-G/1
5 h)	Annual Report of the WFP Audit Committee	WFP/EB.2/2005/5-H/1
5 i)	Report on the Business Process Review	WFP/EB.2/2005/5-I/1
5 j)	WFP's Communication and Advocacy Efforts in 2004-2005	WFP/EB.2/2005/5-J
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6 a)	Synthesis Review of the United Nations Joint Logistics Centre (UNJLC)	WFP/EB.2/2005/6-A
6 b)	Angola Portfolio Evaluation	WFP/EB.2/2005/6-B
6 c)	Real-time Evaluation of WFP's Response to the Indian Ocean Tsunami - December 2004–June 2005	WFP/EB.2/2005/6-C/Rev.1
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7 a)	Country Programme: Uganda 10426.0 (2006–2010)	WFP/EB.2/2005/7-A/1
	Country Programme: Burkina Faso 10399.0 (2006–2010)	WFP/EB.2/2005/7-A/2
	Country Programme: Ghana 10418.0 (2006–2010)	WFP/EB.2/2005/7-A/3
7 b)	Draft Common Country Programme Document for Cape Verde (2006-2010)	WFP/EB.2/2005/7-B + Add.1
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8 a)	Development Projects	
	➤ Pilot Development Project: Ethiopia Drought Insurance 10486.0	WFP/EB.2/2005/8-A



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8 b)	Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations	
	➤ Afghanistan 10427.0	WFP/EB.2/2005/8-B/1 + Corr.1 (English and French only)
	➤ Great Lakes Regional 10062.2	WFP/EB.2/2005/8-B/2
	➤ Guatemala 10457.0	WFP/EB.2/2005/8-B/3
8 c)	Budget Increase to Protracted relief and Recovery Operations	
	➤ Southern Africa Regional 10310.0	WFP/EB.2/2005/8-C/1
	➤ Indonesia 10069.1	WFP/EB.2/2005/8-C/2
	➤ Sri Lanka 10067.1	WFP/EB.2/2005/8-C/3

Reports of the Executive Director on Operational Matters (1 January–30 June 2005)

9 a)	Development Projects Approved by the Executive Director	
	➤ Cambodia 10170.1	WFP/EB.2/2005/9-A/1
	➤ Djibouti 10385.0	WFP/EB.2/2005/9-A/2
9 b)	Budget Increases to Development Projects Approved by the Executive Director	WFP/EB.2/2005/9-B
9 c)	Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations Approved by the Executive Director	
	➤ Haiti 10382.0	WFP/EB.2/2005/9-C/1
	➤ Djibouti 10283.1	WFP/EB.2/2005/9-C/2
	➤ Zambia 10071.2	WFP/EB.2/2005/9-C/3
	➤ Central African Republic 10189.1	WFP/EB.2/2005/9-C/4
9 d)	Budget Increases to Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations Approved by the Executive Director	WFP/EB.2/2005/9-D + * (French only)
9 e)	Emergency Operations Approved by the Executive Director or the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 January–30 June 2005)	WFP/EB.2/2005/9-E

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10	Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board, 2006–2007	WFP/EB.2/2005/10
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	Brief on WFP preparation on Asian and Human Influenza	WFP/EB.2/2005/INF/6

* Reissued for technical reasons.

** To be issued after endorsement by the Executive Board at its First Regular Session in February 2006.



ANNEX III**LIST OF PARTICIPANTS****Members of the Executive Board**

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DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Adoption of the Agenda

The Board adopted the agenda as presented (Annex).

6 June 2005

Appointment of the Rapporteur

In accordance with Rule XII of its Rules of Procedure, the Board appointed Mr Emile Essema (Republic of Congo, List A) Rapporteur of the Annual Session of 2005.

6 June 2005

The decisions and recommendations in the current report will be implemented by the Secretariat in the light of the Board's deliberations, from which the main comments will be reflected in the summary of the work of the session.

CURRENT AND FUTURE STRATEGIC ISSUES

2005/EB.A/1 Current and Future Strategic Issues

The Board took note of the Executive Director's oral presentation on strategic issues facing WFP. The main points of the presentation and the Board's comments, would be contained in the summary of the work of the session. The Board also took note of the presentations by Mr L. Bâge, President of IFAD, and by Mr K. Morjane, Assistant High Commissioner for Refugees.

6 June 2005

ANNUAL REPORTS

2005/EB.A/2 Annual Performance Report for 2004

The Board approved the Annual Performance Report for 2004 (WFP/EB.A/2005/4), noting that it provided a comprehensive record of WFP's performance for the year.

7 June 2005

POLICY ISSUES

2005/EB.A/3 Strategic Plan (2006–2009)

Having considered the Strategic Plan (2006–2009) presented in document WFP/EB.A/2005/5-A/Rev.1 in accordance with General Rule VI.I, the Board:

- ***decided*** that WFP should focus its operations on achieving the five Strategic Objectives:
 - saving lives in crisis situations;
 - protecting livelihoods in crisis situations and enhancing resilience to shocks;
 - supporting improved nutritional health status of children, mothers and other vulnerable people;



- supporting access to education and reducing gender disparity in access to education and skills training; and
- strengthening the capacities of countries and regions to establish and manage food-assistance and hunger-reduction programmes;
- ***noted*** that these Strategic Objectives and the longer-term strategic direction will enable WFP to contribute to global efforts towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals and that they are within WFP's mandate and existing policy framework;
- ***emphasized*** the importance of working in close and complementary partnership with other agencies, funds and programmes of the United Nations system towards the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals; and
- ***encouraged*** the Secretariat to work towards the following Management Objectives in order to help achieve the Strategic Objectives:
 - build strong partnerships with national governments, the United Nations, bilateral donors, other organizations, particularly NGOs, and the private sector;
 - be the employer of choice for competent staff committed to ending hunger;
 - achieve excellence in implementing efficient and effective programmes;
 - build and share knowledge on hunger to inform combined efforts to end hunger;
 - provide technical and operational infrastructure services to support effective operations;
 - be transparent, accountable and manage risk; and
 - raise resources to meet needs.

7 June 2005

2005/EB.A/4

Information Note on the Progress of Implementation of the WFP Gender Policy (2003–2007)

The Board took note of the “Information Note on the Progress of Implementation of the WFP Gender Policy (2003–2007)” (WFP/EB.A/2005/5-C).

8 June 2005

2005/EB.A/5

Answering the Call to Action: An Update on WFP's Response to HIV/AIDS

The Board took note of the information contained in “Answering the Call to Action: An Update on WFP's Response to HIV/AIDS” (WFP/EB.A/2005/5-D).

8 June 2005



2005/EB.A/6 Report on the Management of Evaluation

The Board took note of the contents of “Report on the Management of Evaluation” (WFP/EB.A/2005/5-E) and looks forward to the results of the peer review planned for 2007.

8 June 2005

RESOURCE, FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY MATTERS**2005/EB.A/7 Consolidated Financial Report**

The Board took note of the information contained in the Consolidated Financial Report (WFP/EB.A/2005/6-A/1).

9 June 2005

2005/EB.A/8 Report of the External Auditor on the Upgrade of the WFP Information Network and Global System

The Board took note of the information contained in “Report of the External Auditor on the Upgrade of the WFP Information Network and Global System” (WFP/EB.A/2005/6-B/1/Rev.1).

The Board took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.A/2005/6(A,B,C,D,E)/2) and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.A/2005/6(A,B,C,D,E)/3).

9 June 2005

2005/EB.A/9 Follow-Up on the Recommendations of the External Auditor

The Board took note of the information contained in “Follow-Up on the Recommendations of the External Auditor” (WFP/EB.A/2005/6-C/1).

The Board took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.A/2005/6(A,B,C,D,E)/2) and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.A/2005/6(A,B,C,D,E)/3).

9 June 2005

2005/EB.A/10 Business Process Review: Progress Report on Implementation

The Board took note of the information contained in “Business Process Review: Progress Report on Implementation” (WFP/EB.A/2005/6-D/1).

The Board took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.A/2005/6(A,B,C,D,E)/2) and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.A/2005/6(A,B,C,D,E)/3).

9 June 2005



2005/EB.A/11 Update to the Management Plan for 2004–2005

The Board took note of the information contained in “Update to the WFP Management Plan for 2004–2005” (WFP/EB.A/2005/6-E/1).

The Board took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.A/2005/6(A,B,C,D,E)/2) and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.A/2005/6(A,B,C,D,E)/3).

9 June 2005

2005/EB.A/12 Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ)

The Board took note of the information contained in the document “Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ)” (WFP/EB.A/2005/6-F) relating to items considered by the Board at its First Regular Session of 2005.

9 June 2005

EVALUATION REPORTS**2005/EB.A/13 Summary Report on WFP Follow-Up to Evaluation Recommendations**

The Board noted the information on evaluation recommendation follow-up contained in “Summary Report on WFP Follow-Up to Evaluation Recommendations” (WFP/EB.A/2005/7-B) and OEDE’s commitment to implementing the recommendations.

8 June 2005

SOUTHERN AFRICA REGIONAL PORTFOLIO**OPERATIONAL MATTERS****2005/EB.A/14 Development Project Approved by the Executive Director (1 July–31 December 2004) — South Africa 10394.0**

The Board took note of Development Project South Africa 10394.0 (WFP/EB.A/2005/10-A).

7 June 2005

WEST AFRICA REGIONAL PORTFOLIO**OPERATIONAL MATTERS****2005/EB.A/15 Draft Country Programme — Burkina Faso 10399.0 (2006–2010)**

The Board endorsed draft country programme Burkina Faso 10399.0 (2006–2010) (WFP/EB.A/2005/8/1 + Corr.1), for which the food requirement was 66,652 mt at a cost of US\$29,925,511 covering all basic direct operational costs. It authorized the Secretariat to formulate a country programme, taking account of the observations of the Board.

7 June 2005



2005/EB.A/16 Draft Country Programme — Ghana 10418.0 (2006–2010)

The Board endorsed the draft country programme Ghana 10418.0 (2006–2010) (WFP/EB.A/2005/8/2), for which the food requirement was 29,950 mt at a cost of US\$16.2 million, representing all basic direct operational costs. It authorized the Secretariat to formulate a country programme, taking account of the observations of the members of the Board.

7 June 2005

**MIDDLE EAST, CENTRAL ASIA AND EASTERN EUROPE REGIONAL PORTFOLIO
OPERATIONAL MATTERS**

2005/EB.A/17 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation for Executive Board Approval — Occupied Palestinian Territory 10387.0

The Board approved Occupied Palestinian Territory PRRO 10387.0, “Assistance to Non-Refugee Palestinians” (WFP/EB.A/2005/9-C/2).

7 June 2005

**EAST AND CENTRAL AFRICA REGIONAL PORTFOLIO
EVALUATION REPORTS**

2005/EB.A/18 Summary Report of the Evaluation of WFP’s Development and Recovery Portfolio in Uganda

The Board took note of the information and recommendations set out in the “Summary Report of the Evaluation of WFP’s Development and Recovery Portfolio in Uganda” (WFP/EB.A/2005/7-A).

8 June 2005

OPERATIONAL MATTERS**2005/EB.A/19 Draft Country Programme — Uganda 10426.0 (2006–2010)**

The Board endorsed draft country programme Uganda 10426.0 (2006–2010) (WFP/EB.A/2005/8/3), the cost of which was US\$38.2 million for all basic direct operational costs, and endorsed the supplementary budget of US\$20.9 million for all direct operational costs. It authorized the Secretariat to formulate a country programme, taking into account the observations of the Board.

8 June 2005

2005/EB.A/20 Budget Increases to Development Projects for Executive Board Approval — Tanzania Country Programme 10065.0

The Board approved the budget revision to Tanzania country programme 10065.0 (WFP/EB.A/2005/9-B).

8 June 2005



2005/EB.A/21 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation for Executive Board Approval — Kenya 10258.1

The Board approved Kenya PRRO 10258.1, “Food Assistance to Somali and Sudanese Refugees” (WFP/EB.A/2005/9-C/1).

8 June 2005

2005/EB.A/22 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation for Executive Board Approval — Eritrea 10192.1

The Board approved Eritrea PRRO 10192.1, “Food Assistance to Malnourished and Food-Insecure Populations” (WFP/EB.A/2005/9-C/3).

8 June 2005

LATIN AMERICA AND CARIBBEAN REGIONAL PORTFOLIO

OPERATIONAL MATTERS

2005/EB.A/23 Development Projects for Executive Board Approval — Latin America and Caribbean Region Capacity-Building Project 10411.0

The Board approved Development Project — Latin America and Caribbean Region Capacity-Building Project 10411.0, “Capacity-Building in Support of Food-Based Social-Protection Programmes” (WFP/EB.A/2005/9-A/1).

9 June 2005

2005/EB.A/24 Development Projects for Executive Board Approval — Central America Region Capacity-Building Project 10421.0

The Board approved Development Project — Central America Region Capacity-Building Project 10421.0 “Capacity-Building of Integrated Micronutrient Programmes in Central America and Belize” (WFP/EB.A/2005/9-A/2).

9 June 2005

ASIA REGIONAL PORTFOLIO

OPERATIONAL MATTERS

2005/EB.A/25 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation Approved by the Executive Director (1 July – 31 December 2004) — Timor-Leste 10388.0

The Board took note of Timor-Leste PRRO 10388.0 (WFP/EB.A/2005/10-C).

9 June 2005



OPERATIONAL MATTERS**2005/EB.A/26 Budget Increases to Development Projects Approved by the Executive Director**

The Board took note of “Budget Increases to Development Projects Approved by the Executive Director (1 July–31 December 2004)” (WFP/EB.A/2005/10-B).

9 June 2005

2005/EB.A/27 Budget Increases to Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations Approved by the Executive Director

The Board took note of “Budget Increases to Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations Approved by the Executive Director (1 July–31 December 2004)” (WFP/EB.A/2005/10-D).

9 June 2005

2005/EB.A/28 Use of the Immediate Response Account (1 January–31 December 2004)

The Board took note of “Use of the Immediate Response Account (1 January–31 December 2004)” (WFP/EB.A/2005/10-E).

9 June 2005

ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS**2005/EB.A/29 Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2005–2006)**

The Board took note of the “Biennial Programme Work (2005–2006)” (WFP/EB.A/2005/11-A/Rev.1) as proposed by the Bureau and the Secretariat.

9 June 2005

2005/EB.A/30 Mechanism for Approval by Correspondence of PRROs and PRRO Budget Revisions

The Board approved “Mechanism for Approval by Correspondence of PRROs and PRRO Budget Revisions” (WFP/EB.A/2005/11-B).

9 June 2005

ADMINISTRATIVE AND MANAGERIAL MATTERS**2005/EB.A/31 Report on Post-Delivery Losses for the Period 1 January–31 December 2004**

In considering “Report on Post-Delivery Losses for the Period 1 January to 31 December 2004” (WFP/EB.A/2005/12-A), the Board noted the country-specific and commodity-specific losses suffered and the corrective actions taken by WFP, governments and other partners to minimize post-delivery losses. It encouraged the Secretariat to take all necessary measures to ensure that losses were reduced, particularly where



under WFP direct management, to seek reimbursement from governments that had lost commodities through negligence, and to continue to report to the Board annually.

9 June 2005

2005/EB.A/32 Information Note on the WFP Commodity Tracking System

The Board took note of the information contained in “Information Note on the WFP Commodity Tracking System” (WFP/EB.A/2005/12-B).

9 June 2005

2005/EB.A/33 Composition of WFP International Professional Staff and Higher Categories

The Board took note of “Composition of WFP International Professional Staff and Higher Categories as at 31 December 2004” (WFP/EB.A/2005/12-C).

9 June 2005

2005/EB.A/34 Information Paper on the Implementation of New Security Management Arrangements

The Board took note of “Information Paper on the Implementation of New Security Management Arrangements” (WFP/EB.A/2005/12-D).

9 June 2005

SUMMARY OF THE WORK OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

2005/EB.A/35 Summary of the Work of the First Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2005

The Board endorsed the draft summary of its First Regular Session of 2005, the final version of which would be contained in document WFP/EB.1/2005/14.

8 June 2005

OTHER BUSINESS

2005/EB.A/36 Report of the Joint Meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP

The Board took note of “Report of the Joint Meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP” (WFP/EB.A/2005/14-A).

9 June 2005

2005/EB.A/37 Report on the Executive Board Members’ Visit to the Occupied Palestinian Territory

The Board took note of the “Report on the Executive Board Members’ Visit to the Occupied Palestinian Territory” (WFP/EB.A/2005/14-B).

7 June 2005



**2005/EB.A/38 Report of the Joint Visit of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA,
UNICEF and WFP to Azerbaijan**

The Board took note of “Report of the Joint Visit of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP to Azerbaijan” (WFP/EB.A/2005/14-C).

9 June 2005



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Adoption of the Agenda

The Board adopted the revised agenda as presented (Annex).

31 January 2005

Election of the Bureau and Appointment of the Rapporteur

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Board, the Executive Board elected H.E. Poul Skytte Christoffersen (Denmark, List D) as President for a one-year term.

The Board elected as Vice-President H.E. Mirza Qamar Beg (Pakistan, List B). The representatives of: Angola, Mr Kiala Kia Mateva (List A); Haiti, Mr Patrick Saint-Hilaire (List C); and the Russian Federation, Mr Alexander A. Titarenko (List E) were elected as members of the Bureau, representing the other three WFP electoral lists for a one-year term.

In accordance with Rule XII of its Rules of Procedure, the Board appointed Mr Milan Pakši (Slovakia) Rapporteur of the First Regular Session of 2005.

31 January 2005

The decisions and recommendations in the current report will be implemented by the Secretariat in the light of the Board's deliberations, from which the main comments will be reflected in the summary of the work of the session.

CURRENT AND FUTURE STRATEGIC ISSUES

2005/EB.1/1

Current and Future Strategic Issues

The Board took note of the Executive Director's oral presentation on strategic issues facing WFP, including information on WFP's activities in the Indian Ocean region following the tsunami disaster. The main points of the presentation, and the Board's comments, would be contained in the summary of the work of the session.

31 January 2005

POLICY ISSUES

2005/EB.1/2

Definition of Emergencies

The Board endorsed the recommendations in document WFP/EB.1/2005/4-A/Rev.1. In accordance with decision 2002/EB.A/4, it asked that the Secretariat add the following updated definition of emergencies to the "Consolidated Framework of WFP Policies" (WFP/EB.3/2004/4-F):

"For purposes of WFP emergency projects, emergencies are defined as urgent situations in which there is clear evidence that an event or series of events has occurred which causes human suffering or imminently threatens human lives or livelihoods and which the government concerned has not the means to remedy; and it is a demonstrably abnormal event or series of events which produces dislocation in the life of a community on an exceptional scale.



The event or series of events may comprise one or a combination of the following:

- a) sudden calamities such as earthquakes, floods, locust infestations and similar unforeseen disasters;
- b) human-made emergencies resulting in an influx of refugees or the internal displacement of populations or in the suffering of otherwise affected populations;
- c) food scarcity conditions owing to slow-onset events such as drought, crop failures, pests, and diseases that result in an erosion of communities' and vulnerable populations' capacity to meet their food needs;
- d) severe food access or availability conditions resulting from sudden economic shocks, market failure or economic collapse — and that result in an erosion of communities' and vulnerable populations' capacity to meet their food needs; and
- e) a complex emergency for which the government of the affected country or the Secretary-General of the United Nations has requested the support of WFP.

WFP's emergency interventions will continue to be based on assessed needs, also taking into account any other considerations or criteria that may be decided upon by the Executive Board consistent with the organization's rules, regulations and mandate.”

2 February 2005

2005/EB.1/3

Exiting Emergencies

The Board endorsed “Exiting Emergencies” (WFP/EB.1/2005/4-B) and requested that the following statement be added to the policy compendium:

“WFP recognizes that a realistic and deliberate exit strategy, planned with government and other partners, and clearly stated at the beginning of an emergency operation, can help to facilitate more effective country responses after the initial stage of an emergency. ‘Exiting’ for WFP means either (i) the withdrawal of WFP assistance from an emergency operation or from a country, or (ii) a shift to a longer-term programme to protect and improve livelihoods and resilience. WFP will endeavour to ensure that exit strategies become part of its emergency responses, and that principles of good exiting guide future practice.

The overall objective for most emergency interventions is to restore to pre-emergency levels the capacity of communities and vulnerable populations to access food. WFP emergency aid should be part of broader national and international efforts to achieve this outcome, and should be joined with other forms of necessary assistance, including appropriate non-food assistance. Exit strategies from emergencies should aim to withdraw WFP support without compromising communities' regained ability to meet their own food needs. Emergency response, particularly in relation to recurrent shocks, is more effective when it is carried out in the context of a longer-term strategy for capacity-building and resilience.”



2 February 2005

2005/EB.1/4 Annual Report to ECOSOC and the FAO Council

The Board approved the Annual Report to ECOSOC and the FAO Council, (WFP/EB.1/2005/4-C + Corr.1). In accordance with its decision 2004/EB.A/11 of 24 May 2004, the Board requested that the Annual Report be forwarded to the United Nations Economic and Social Council and the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, along with the Board's decisions and recommendations for 2004 and the present decision.

1 February 2005

RESOURCE, FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY MATTERS

2005/EB.1/5 Financial Framework for Strategic Priority 5 Implementation

The Board:

- approved the financial framework for country and regional capacity-building set out in document WFP/EB.1/2005/5-A; and
- took note of the next steps outlined in paragraph 16.

1 February 2005

2005/EB.1/6 Definition of Special Operations

The Board approved the following amended definition of the special operations programme category in the General Rules as set out in the document WFP/EB.1/2005/5-B:

General Rule II.2(d): Programme Categories

Special Operations Programme Category for interventions undertaken to:

- i) rehabilitate and enhance transport and logistics infrastructure to permit timely and efficient delivery of food assistance, especially to meet emergency and protracted relief needs; and
- ii) enhance coordination within the United Nations system and with other partners through the provision of designated common services.

1 February 2005

2005/EB.1/7 Business Process Review: Working-Capital Financing

The Board took note of the information and recommendations outlined in "Business Process Review: Working-Capital Financing" (WFP/EB.1/2005/5-C), and approved:

- i) the establishment of a working-capital advance ceiling of US\$180 million as per Financial Regulation 10.8 (as amended below) to enable the Executive Director to ensure continued financing of projects pending confirmation of forecast contributions within established risk-management parameters;
- ii) the relevant changes in Financial Regulation 10.6 (as shown below) to allow the use of the Operational Reserve to cover cases where a



working-capital advance is made but the forecast contribution(s) used as collateral for the advance do not materialize; and

- iii) revision of Financial Regulation 8.1 (as shown below) to allow expenditures to be incurred during project preparation in order to fill the food pipeline in advance of the start date.

In addition the Board agreed to the following:

- i) working-capital financing would never exceed 80 percent of forecast income for any project;
- ii) any “losses” would be written off as they occurred;
- iii) there would be an annual cap on “losses” of US\$20 million;
- iv) the Board would receive at each session a report on business process reforms, including the strengthening of needs assessments;
- v) the Secretariat would report to the Board on an information-only basis with regard to expenditures in relation to prefilling a pipeline during project preparation of less than US\$20 million, and on a no-objection basis regarding expenditures of over US\$20 million;
- vi) the Secretariat would limit further roll-out of working-capital financing to seven country operations during 2005; and
- vii) the Board would continue its usual consultations with donors regarding this initiative.

AMENDED FINANCIAL REGULATIONS
(changes underlined)

Financial Regulation 8.1:

Approval of a Country Programme, project or operation shall normally constitute authority for the Executive Director to issue allotments, incur obligations and expend resources for the Country Programme, project or operation, subject to signature of the Country Programme, project or operation agreement. However, the Executive Director may incur obligations and expend resources during project preparation, if necessary, to fill the food pipeline for the project for the first three months, not exceeding one quarter of total funding requirements.

Financial Regulation 10.6:

Drawdowns from the Operational Reserve shall be restored as soon as possible from the contributions made for the purpose for which the drawdown was made. At the end of each financial period, the Executive Director should determine any such forecast or confirmed contributions that are uncollectable and for which expenditure was incurred and request the Board to approve the replenishment of the Operational Reserve from the unarmarked portion of the General Fund. Such requests shall be made at the time of the presentation of the audited biennial accounts.

Financial Regulation 10.8:

The resources of the WFP Fund shall be used exclusively for the operational and support expenses of WFP. Furthermore, resources of the WFP Fund may be used to advance working capital to projects based on forecast contributions up to a ceiling which will be approved and reviewed periodically by the Board.

1 February 2005



2005/EB.1/8 Proposed Programme of Work of the External Auditor for the 2004–2005 Biennium

The Board took note of the information contained in the document “Proposed Programme of Work of the External Auditor for the 2004–2005 Biennium” (WFP/EB.1/2005/5-D).

1 February 2005

2005/EB.1/9 Report of the External Auditor on Financial Reporting Standards of the World Food Programme

The Board took note of the “Report of the External Auditor on Financial Reporting Standards of the World Food Programme” (WFP/EB.1/2005/5-E).

1 February 2005

2005/EB.1/10 Follow-Up on the Recommendations of the External Auditor

The Board took note of the information contained in the document “Follow-Up on the Recommendations of the External Auditor” (WFP/EB.1/2005/5-F).

1 February 2005

2005/EB.1/11 Update on the WFP Management Plan 2004–2005

The Board took note of the information contained in the document “Update on the WFP Management Plan 2004–2005” (WFP/EB.1/2005/5-G).

1 February 2005

EVALUATION REPORTS

2005/EB.1/12 Information Note on the Implementation Plan of the PRRO Evaluation Recommendations

The Board took note of the information contained in the “Information Note on the Implementation Plan of the PRRO Evaluation Recommendations” (WFP/EB.1/2005/6-B).

2 February 2005

MIDDLE EAST, CENTRAL ASIA AND EASTERN EUROPE REGIONAL PORTFOLIO

EVALUATION REPORTS

2005/EB.1/13 Summary Evaluation Report of PRRO 10233.0 in Afghanistan

The Board took note of the information and recommendations set out in the “Summary Evaluation Report of PRRO 10233.0 in Afghanistan” (WFP/EB.1/2005/6-A).

2 February 2005



OPERATIONAL MATTERS

EAST AND CENTRAL AFRICA REGIONAL PORTFOLIO

2005/EB.1/14 Budget Increase to Development Activities — Ethiopia Country Programme 10208.0 (Activity 2)

The Board approved the budget increase to Ethiopia Country Programme 10208.0 (Activity 2) (WFP/EB.1/2005/7-A).

1 February 2005

2005/EB.1/15 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation for Executive Board Approval — Uganda 10121.1

The Board approved Uganda PRRO expansion 10121.1, “Targeted Food Assistance for Relief and Recovery of Refugees, Displaced Persons and Vulnerable Groups in Uganda” (WFP/EB.1/2005/7-B/2 + Corr.1).

1 February 2005

2005/EB.1/16 Ethiopia PRRO 10362.0: Updated Annex

The Board took note of the information contained in the document “Ethiopia PRRO 10362.0: Updated Annex” (WFP/EB.1/2005/8-B).

1 February 2005

LATIN AMERICA AND CARIBBEAN REGIONAL PORTFOLIO

2005/EB.1/17 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation for Executive Board Approval — Colombia 10366.0

The Board approved Colombia PRRO 10366.0, “Assistance to Persons Displaced by the Violence in Colombia” (WFP/EB.1/2005/7-B/1 + Corr.1).

1 February 2005

ASIA REGIONAL PORTFOLIO

2005/EB.1/18 WFP’s Response to the Tsunami Disaster

The Board:

- expressed its condolences and deep sympathy with the victims of the Tsunami disaster in the Indian Ocean and the countries affected;
- paid tribute to WFP and its dedicated staff’s rapid and outstanding response to the disaster, which formed part of the United Nations system’s exemplary action, in support of the efforts of national governments;
- noted that members have provided financial support that would make it possible to offer emergency aid and logistics support to 2 million people during a 6-month period;
- noted that the Executive Director would consult members of the Board on any extension of the emergency response and on any redirection of



resources that might be deemed appropriate;

- agreed that efforts should be directed as soon as possible towards rehabilitation and development;
- would examine at an upcoming session plans for WFP action on rehabilitation and recovery as part of the United Nations system's overall efforts towards this goal; and
- noted that the tsunami disaster was but one of the many humanitarian crises around the world where WFP's action is needed.

2 February 2005

OPERATIONAL MATTERS

2005/EB.1/19 Emergency Operations Approved by the Executive Director or the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 July–31 December 2004)

The Board took note of the information contained in the document "Emergency Operations Approved by the Executive Director or the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 July–31 December 2004)" (WFP/EB.1/2005/8-A).

2 February 2005

ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS

2005/EB.1/20 Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2005–2006)

The Board took note of the information contained in the document "Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2005–2006)" (WFP/EB.1/2005/9).

1 February 2005

ADMINISTRATIVE AND MANAGERIAL MATTERS

2005/EB.1/21 Funding Arrangements for United Nations Staff Safety and Security

Having considered the Executive Director's proposal for the establishment of a funding mechanism for WFP to cover all staff safety and security-related costs, as set out in "Funding Arrangements for United Nations Staff Safety and Security" (WFP/EB.1/2005/10 + Corr.1), the Board:

- agreed with the Executive Director continuing to support the Secretary-General in implementing a strengthened and unified security-management system for United Nations staff around the world and advocating for the central funding of related security costs in accordance with General Assembly Resolution 59/276;
- authorized the use of the General Fund on a one-off basis to fund WFP's share of United Nations staff security management system costs for 2004–2005 up to the total amount approved by the General Assembly, plus WFP's costs for the Malicious Acts Insurance Policy and contributions to United Nations reform;



- requested that the Secretariat submit to the Annual Session in 2005 a report on the final decision of the General Assembly (A/RES/59/276/XI) and that the financial implications of that decision, along with all other WFP security costs, be addressed in a unified way in the Management Plan for 2006–2007;
- took note of the way forward on this topic as outlined by the Secretariat; and
- underlined that this decision did not prejudice in any way future decisions as to the funding of security costs for WFP.

1 February 2005

SUMMARIES OF THE WORK OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

2005/EB.1/22 Summary of the Work of the Third Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2004

The Board endorsed the draft summary of its Third Regular Session of 2004, the final version of which would be contained in document WFP/EB.3/2004/16.

2 February 2005

OTHER BUSINESS

2005/EB.1/23 Oral Report on the Joint Meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP

The Board took note of the oral report on the Joint Meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP.

2 February 2005



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- Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2005–2006)

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ANNEX II**LIST OF DOCUMENTS**

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4 a)	Definition of emergencies	WFP/EB.1/2005/4-A/Rev.1
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	Uganda 10121.1	WFP/EB.1/2005/7-B/2 + Corr.1
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8 a)	Emergency operations approved by the Executive Director or the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 July–31 December 2004)	WFP/EB.1/2005/8-A
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	Report by the Executive Director on senior staff movements (1 October–31 December 2004)	WFP/EB.1/2005/INF/5

* To be issued after endorsement by the Executive Board at its Annual Session in June 2005.



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