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Annotated provisional agenda

1. Opening of the session: statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Executive Director

2. Adoption of the provisional agenda, timetable and organization of work

[For action — E/ICEF/2007/8]

The provisional agenda has been drafted in consultation with the Bureau. The Executive Board will adopt the agenda for the session, making any amendments it considers necessary.

3. Annual report of the Executive Director: progress and achievements against the medium-term strategic plan

[For information — E/ICEF/2007/9]

In this annual report to the Executive Board on the work of UNICEF, the Executive Director will report on progress and results achieved during 2006.

4. Update on the UNICEF organizational review: oral report

The Executive Director will report to the Board on the progress of the organizational review that is currently under way.

5. Update on UNICEF gender parity and equality

[For information — E/ICEF/2007/12]

The secretariat will report on progress made in implementing the recommendations of the review of gender parity within UNICEF that was undertaken in 2006.

6. UNICEF education strategy in support of the medium-term strategic plan

[For action — E/ICEF/2007/10]

The education strategy is one of a series of sectoral strategies prepared in support of the medium-term strategic plan for 2006-2009.

7. Ending Child Hunger and Undernutrition Initiative

[For action — E/ICEF/2007/11]

This report has been prepared in response to Executive Board decision 2007/1, in which the Board requested further information on the proposed initiative.

8. The UNICEF evaluation policy: oral report

The secretariat will report on the development of the UNICEF evaluation policy, which was requested by the Executive Board in decision 2006/9.

9. Proposals for UNICEF programme cooperation

(a) Draft country programme documents (CPDs)

[For action]

At this session, the Executive Board will consider a total of 26 CPDs. There are 19 draft CPDs for full programme cycles. These are presented to the Board for

discussion and comment, and for approval of the aggregate totals of estimated regular and other resources in the programme budget. The electronic versions of the draft CPDs, to be made available on the UNICEF Internet site, will contain a link to the United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) results matrices, where applicable. Taking into account the comments made at this session, the draft documents will be revised and posted on the UNICEF Internet site within six weeks after the session. They will be submitted to the Board for approval on a no objection basis at the second regular session of 2007 unless at least five members have informed the secretariat in writing, within six weeks of the posting of a document, of their wish to bring a particular country programme before the Executive Board.

The 19 draft CPDs for full country programmes are broken down as follows:

- (a) two from Eastern and Southern Africa: Comoros and Malawi (E/ICEF/2007/P/L.2 and E/ICEF/2007/P/L.3);
- (b) five from West and Central Africa: Cameroon, Equatorial Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Mali and Sierra Leone (E/ICEF/2007/P/L.5, E/ICEF/2007/P/L.6, E/ICEF/2007/P/L.7, E/ICEF/2007/P/L.8 and E/ICEF/2007/P/L.9);
- (c) three from the Americas and the Caribbean: Bolivia, Cuba and the multi-country programme for the Eastern Caribbean (E/ICEF/2007/P/L.13, E/ICEF/2007/P/L.14 and E/ICEF/2007/P/L.15);
- (d) two from East Asia and the Pacific: Malaysia and Papua New Guinea (E/ICEF/2007/P/L.16 and E/ICEF/2007/P/L.17);
- (e) four from South Asia: Bhutan, India, Maldives and Sri Lanka (E/ICEF/2007/P/L.19, E/ICEF/2007/P/L.20, E/ICEF/2007/P/L.21 and E/ICEF/2007/P/L.22);
- (f) three from the Middle East and North Africa: Djibouti, Jordan and Palestinian children and women in Jordan, Lebanon, the Occupied Palestinian Territory and the Syrian Arab Republic (E/ICEF/2007/P/L.23, E/ICEF/2007/P/L.24 and E/ICEF/2007/P/L.25).

In addition, several short-duration CPDs for one-year programmes are presented to the Board for approval at this session. These short-duration programmes are usually prepared so that the UNICEF programme cycle may be harmonized with the cycles of other agencies, or to allow time for finalization of the UNDAF. It is expected that the full country programmes will be presented to the Executive Board in 2008. At this session, the Board will consider seven short-duration CPDs:

- (a) One from Eastern and Southern Africa: Burundi (E/ICEF/2007/P/L.4);
- (b) Three from West and Central Africa: Côte d'Ivoire, Niger and Nigeria (E/ICEF/2007/P/L.10, E/ICEF/2007/P/L.11 and E/ICEF/2007/P/L.12);
- (c) One from East Asia and the Pacific: Timor-Leste (E/ICEF/2007/P/L.18);
- (d) Two from the Middle East and North Africa: Lebanon and Sudan (E/ICEF/2007/P/L.26 and E/ICEF/2007/P/L.27).

Following an introductory statement by the Director, Programme Division, the Regional Directors will provide brief overviews of activities in their regions, as well as summaries of the CPDs being presented at this session. The Regional Director for Europe will also report on the activities of the National Committees for UNICEF.

(b) Recommendation for additional other resources for approved country programmes

[For action — E/ICEF/2007/P/L.28]

The Executive Board is requested to approve increases in the other resources ceilings for approved country programmes that expect to take in other resources funding which exceeds the levels originally approved by the Board.

10. Progress report on implementation of the recommendations of the UNAIDS Global Task Team which are of relevance to UNICEF: oral report

11. Harmonized format for results-based budgeting for UNDP, UNFPA and UNICEF: oral report

The secretariat will report on ongoing joint work to harmonize the support budget formats and presentations of UNDP, UNFPA and UNICEF.

12. Report of joint field visit to Liberia by members of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP

[For information — E/ICEF/2007/CRP.7]

The report of the joint field visit by members of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and the World Food Programme to Liberia in March 2007 is presented for information and discussion. The reports of the field visits by the Bureau to Kyrgyzstan and by members of the Executive Board to Panama and Peru will be presented to the Board at the second regular session in September.

13. Address by the President of the UNICEF Global Staff Association

By tradition, the GSA President addresses the Executive Board each year at this session.

14. Other matters

The Board may consider discussing any other issues that it finds appropriate under this agenda item.

15. Closing statements by the Executive Director and the President

Annex

Proposed timetable and organization of work for the 2007 Annual session of the Executive Board, 4-8 June 2007*

Monday, 4 June	a.m. 10:00- 1:00	<i>Item 1</i>	Opening statements by the President and the Executive Director
		<i>Item 2</i>	Adoption of the provisional agenda, timetable and organization of work
		<i>Item 3</i>	Annual report of the Executive Director: progress and achievements against the medium-term strategic plan
	p.m. 3:00- 5:00	<i>Item 3</i> <i>(cont'd)</i>	Annual report of the Executive Director: progress and achievements against the medium-term strategic plan
	5:00- 6:00	<i>Item 5</i>	Update on UNICEF gender parity and equality
			<i>Informal consultations</i>
Tuesday, 5 June	a.m. 10:00- 1:00	<i>Item 6</i>	The UNICEF education strategy in support of the medium-term strategic plan
		<i>Item 7</i>	Ending Child Hunger and Undernutrition Initiative
	p.m. 3:00- 5:00	<i>Item 9</i>	Proposals for UNICEF programme cooperation: (a) Draft country programme documents: Eastern and Southern Africa (3) West and Central Africa (8)
	5:00- 6:00		<i>Informal consultations</i>
Wednesday, 6 June	a.m. 10:00- 1:00	<i>Item 9</i>	Proposals for UNICEF programme cooperation: (a) Draft country programme documents: Americas and the Caribbean (3) East Asia and the Pacific (3) South Asia (4)
	pm 3:00- 5:00	<i>Item 9</i>	Proposals for UNICEF programme cooperation: (a) Draft country programme documents: Middle East and North Africa (5) (b) Recommendation for additional other resources for approved country programmes
			Statement by Regional Director for Europe
	5:00- 6:00	<i>Item 11</i>	Harmonized format for results-based budgeting for UNDP, UNFPA and UNICEF: oral report
			<i>Informal consultations</i>

* When consideration of an agenda item concludes ahead of the allocated time, the next item will be taken up for consideration and the timetable adjusted accordingly.

Thursday, 7 June	a.m. 10:00- 1:00	<i>Item 4</i>	Update on the UNICEF organizational review: oral report
		<i>Item 8</i>	The UNICEF evaluation policy: oral report
	p.m. 3:00- 6:00	<i>Item 10</i>	Progress report on implementation of the recommendations of the UNAIDS Global Task Team which are of relevance to UNICEF: oral report
		<i>Item 12</i>	Report of joint field visit to Liberia by members of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP
		<i>Item 13</i>	Address by the President of the UNICEF Global Staff Association
			Action on outstanding draft decisions
		<i>Item 14</i>	Other matters
		<i>Item 15</i>	Closing statements