

#### **2006/4. Support strategy for the MTSP on water, sanitation and hygiene**

*The Executive Board,*

1. *Reaffirms* the medium-term strategic plan for 2006-2009 (MTSP) as the guiding framework for all areas of UNICEF programming;
2. *Welcomes* the UNICEF water, sanitation and hygiene strategies for 2006-2015 as a support strategy for the MTSP and as guidance to UNICEF staff on working with programme countries to improve sustainable outcomes in the areas of water, sanitation and hygiene, taking into account the particular situation in each programme country, as well as respective national priorities and strategies;
3. *Requests* the Executive Director to ensure that UNICEF increases its efforts to further develop national capacities to improve sustainable outcomes as outlined in this support strategy for the MTSP;
4. *Requests* the Executive Director to ensure that comments on the UNICEF water, sanitation and hygiene strategies for 2006-2015 by members of the Executive Board at its first regular session of 2006 are taken into consideration when implementing programmes of support in the areas of water, sanitation and hygiene;
5. *Requests* the Executive Director to monitor the impact of the MTSP support strategy on water, sanitation and hygiene by the assessment process elaborated in the MTSP;
6. *Requests* the Executive Director to ensure that the process of reviewing the MTSP analyzes developments and programming experience in the areas of water, sanitation and hygiene and ensure that its findings are taken into consideration when implementing programmes of support in the areas of water, sanitation and hygiene;
7. *Requests* the Executive Director to include in the support strategy for the MTSP on water, sanitation and hygiene an annex outlining how the support strategy will contribute to the achievement of the MTSP focus areas and key performance indicators, and to update this annex as necessary following the agreement of subsequent MTSPs.

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