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IASC Task Force on

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## Key achievements against work plan targets

***List 5 to 10 achievements and successes in line with the 2012 Work Plan.***

| Objectives | Activities | Achievements |
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| 1. **UN integration and humanitarian Space** | Collaborate with the ISG study on UN integration and humanitarian space  Present findings and recommendations of study to IASC WG for endorsement and follow-up  Develop common messages for IASC Principals’ endorsement based on findings of ISG study  Support roll out of the study and implementation of relevant recommendations | * ISG study on UN Integration and humanitarian space completed and circulated * ISG findings presented to the IASC WG for endorsement and follow up together with other relevant studies * Development and WG endorsement (Principals’ endorsement pending) of IASC position paper on UN integration and humanitarian space * Study launched in New York and Geneva; study findings integrated into IASC position papers and in update of Integrated Mission Planning Process. |
| 1. **Counter-terrorism measures and the impact on humanitarian action** | Based on inter-agency survey on the impact of counter-terrorism measures on humanitarian action, continue sequenced IASC advocacy strategy, including the formulation of recommendations, the holding of informal bilateral consultations with relevant Member States, the organisation of a roundtable; and the finalisation of an IASC Statement.  Collaborate in analytical study on counter-terrorism policies and measures and their impact on humanitarian action | * Based on consultations with TF members, it was decided to put on hold the advocacy strategy until the findings of the counter-terrorism study (see below) were clear. * In 2012, OCHA and NRC commissioned an independent study on the impact of counterterrorism measures on humanitarian assistance. At the end of 2012, the study was 75% complete (expected completion April 2013). * OCHA and NRC have conducted outreach in the US and Europe with donors, UN bodies and humanitarian actors on the preliminary findings of the study in coordination with the TF |
| 1. **Operating in complex security environments** | Support field roll out of the study “To Stay and Deliver” and implementation of relevant recommendations  Develop note of guidance on operational relevance of UN security management framework for humanitarian actors | * In 2012, FAO conducted a workshop with WFP on the implementation of the recommendations of the report “To Stay and Deliver Report”. * This TF submitted to the IASC-WG a paper identifying what IASC members were doing with regards to the implementation of the report. * Due to lack of interest from TF members, a note of guidance on operational relevance of the UN security management was never initiated. |
| 1. **Application and revision of guidelines on humanitarian civil-military coordination** | Update IASC non-binding Guidelines on the Use of Military or Armed Escorts for Humanitarian Convoys. | * Complete. Endorsed by the IASC Principals in December 2012. |

## Challenges faced in 2012

***List up 5 challenges and constraints faced by the Subsidiary Body.***

* A lack of clarity on IASC processes, particularly formats and procedures for endorsement by IASC WG and Principals.
* A lack of clarity on the division of labour between the IASC WG and Principals with respect to endorsement of products and positions.
* A lack of enthusiasm by TF members for taking the Stay and Deliver Report recommendations forward.
* Change in the individuals Co-Chairing the cluster and change in key members of the TF leaving some gaps

1. **Any outcomes of your Subsidiary Body in relation to the Transformative Agenda in 2012**

***Please list work done in relation to the Transformative Agenda.***

## Outstanding work of your Subsidiary Body requiring the attention of the IASC Working Group in 2013

* Engagement in outcomes and advocacy associated with the finalization and launch of the COTER study

***Please list issues requiring the IASC Working Group’s attention.***

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