

INTER – AGENCY STANDING COMMITTEE –WORKING GROUP
XLIV MEETING
Follow-up Action Points Matrix
Geneva, 21 – 22 NOVEMBER 2001

Agenda Item	Action Points	Focal Point for Follow-up	Timeframe	Status
1. Introduction	NA			
2. Overview of Global Humanitarian Activities	NA			
3. Consolidated Appeals Process	<p>IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcomed the work on the CAP review and endorsed the recommendations on the New Agenda for Strengthening the Consolidated Appeals Process. • Agreed to forward the Recommendations for the New Agenda for Strengthening the CAP to the IASC for its approval. • Requested the SWG on the CAP to review the recommendations and identify who is responsible for their implementation. • Agreed to delete recommendation 12 on the use of SRSGs in advocacy of the CAPs, and that recommendation 10 on non-CAP countries needs to be discussed further. • Acknowledged that a mechanism was needed to ensure greater NGO involvement in field-based inter-agency efforts, such as the appeal preparations and strategic planning. Requested feed back from the NGO consortia, IOM and the Red Cross movement on their involvement in the CAP 2002 preparations; a joint mission may be considered at a later date to review the issue of greater non-UN involvement. 	<p>CAP SWG/IASC-WG</p> <p>CAP SWG/IASC</p> <p>CAP SWG</p> <p>CAP SWG</p> <p>CAP SWG SCHR/ICVA/ IOM/ICRC</p>	<p>On-going</p> <p>Jan. 2002</p> <p>Dec. 2001</p> <p>Dec. 2001</p> <p>Feb. 2002</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Review has been finalised. • The recommendations were revised, finalised and will be submitted to the Plenary on 9 April 2002. • Ongoing. Plan of Action for implementation of recommendations has finalised. CAP SWG is has revised its workplan with clear indication of responsible focal points. • Recommendation 12 was deleted. The recommendation on non-CAP countries is being reviewed. • SCHR is conducting an assessment of its members participation in several CAP countries, following which it will recommend viable mechanisms for NGO involvement and criteria.

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<p>4. Military Civil Defence Unit</p>	<p>IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noted the progress being made on guidelines for the use of military and civil defense assets for humanitarian purposes in complex emergencies. Requested that once the Drafting and Review Committees had finalised their work that the guidelines be brought to a subsequent IASC-WG meeting for discussion. Supported the review of MCDU, and requested that it analyze past activities as well as future activities. Agreed that written comments are needed on the MCDU review proposal, and that they should be sent to OCHA by 15 December (wiersing@un.org). Acknowledged that the review proposal should have stronger reference to the IASC, and that the broader IASC membership should be represented in the review group. Noted the need for MCDU to report back on the use of MCDA and MCDU activities annually. Requested MCDU to report regularly to the IASC-WG. 	<p>MCDU</p> <p>MCDU/Review Group</p> <p>All agencies</p> <p>MCDU</p> <p>MCDU</p>	<p>March 2002</p> <p>Feb 2002</p> <p>15 Dec. 2001</p> <p>Dec. 2001</p> <p>Nov. 2002</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Drafting Committee is scheduled to take place early May 2002. The Joint Review and Drafting Committee will likely take place in June 2002. Completed. The ToR for MCDU Review is finalised. Completed. Completed. Ongoing.
<p>5 Reaching the Unreachable: Experience of the Global Polio Eradication</p>	<p>The IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreed to raise the issue of access for the polio activities (immunisation and surveillance) with key HCs in the margins of the upcoming HC retreat. Supported the need to inform and engage more fully Country Teams in the polio eradication effort. Stated that for those humanitarian crisis where polio was a problem, the polio eradication 	<p>OCHA/WHO/ UNICEF</p> <p>All agencies</p> <p>OCHA CAP SWG/HC's</p>	<p>28 Nov. 2001</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Nov. 2002</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed December 2001. Ongoing. Polio eradication strategy will form a part of the Common Humanitarian Action Plan

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	<p>strategy should be reflected in the CAP.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requested a small group led by WHO and UNICEF to review how the polio eradication campaign should be presented to the IASC Plenary, noting that the principals already support the national immunisation days. Acknowledged that polio eradication in priority countries should be pursued and addressed when negotiating access in difficult to reach areas. Use of military corridors and means for protecting vaccinators needed more support. 	<p>WHO/UNICEF</p> <p>HC's/CMT</p>	<p>Jan. 2002</p> <p>On-going</p>	<p>(CHAP) for concerned countries in 2002.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pending Ongoing.
<p>6. In-depth Country Review: Democratic Republic of Congo</p>	<p>The IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognised that funding needs for priority projects, including staffing requirements, should be collected and presented to donors. Agreed to map the current staffing situation of agencies in the DRC, including vacancies, by 15 December, so that this information could be monitored. Agencies were to review with OCHA by 15 January progress on staff deployment. The possibility of a video-conference New York/Geneva/Rome with the RC/HC should be explored. Stressed that the CAP strategy should be reviewed and efforts made to implement it in order to demonstrate a coherent humanitarian strategy and agenda. Agreed to review with MONUC the following issues: (a) distribution of responsibilities between MONUC and OCHA, and (b) staffing issues including ToR and locations of staffing. MONUC's budget included child protection officers, human rights officers and 	<p>OCHA</p> <p>All agencies</p> <p>OCHA/All agencies</p> <p>All agencies/ Country Team</p> <p>OCHA/HC</p>	<p>Jan. 2002</p> <p>15 Dec.2001</p> <p>15 Jan. 2002</p> <p>On-going</p> <p>Jan. 2002</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agencies' comments consolidated for staffing situations and requirements. Completed. Completed. OCHA Kinshasa is in the process of developing a project funding document/strategy paper including review of CAP strategy. Contact between MONUC and OCHA has been made both in Goma and Kinshasa to develop MOU. Head of MONUC, Mr. Ngongi addressed the issue of MOU with other agencies.

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	<p>humanitarian officers and therefore complementarity was required.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggested an inter-agency mission undertaken in mid-year 2002, to review access issues and the operational capacity to respond to IDP's. • Agreed that OCHA should guide agencies and coordinate the preparations for the review. 	<p>OCHA</p> <p>OCHA</p>	<p>June.2002</p> <p>Feb. 2002</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The planning of inter-agency mission superseded by Volcano eruption in Goma. • Ongoing.
<p>7. Discussion on TOR for Humanitarian Coordinators.</p>	<p>The IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requested that based on consultations with the HC's, the IASC Secretariat prepare the initial draft, and share it with a small review group comprised of WFP, UNICEF, WHO, FAO, UNDP, SCHR and UNHCR. • Suggested that the revised draft TOR also highlight what support was expected from others on the broader issue of coordination. • The revised draft ToRs would subsequently be shared with the full IASC-WG. 	<p>IASC Secretariat</p> <p>IASC Secretariat</p> <p>IASC Secretariat</p>	<p>April 2002</p> <p>June 2002</p> <p>June 2002</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing. • Ongoing • Ongoing.
<p>8. Afghanistan</p>	<p>The IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreed that humanitarian community should be able to clearly articulate issues during the forthcoming transition discussions. • Acknowledged that it had to decide how the IASC should organise itself to feed into the sub-regional process for reconstruction and development. • Pointed out that the ERC and UNDP Administrator agreed that a task force should be established to discuss transition issues, which would include the full IASC membership. 	<p>All agencies</p> <p>IASC-WG</p> <p>IASC-WG</p>	<p>On-going</p> <p>Jan. 2002</p> <p>On-going</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed. The overall strategy for humanitarian assistance was articulated in the forms of 30-day Emergency Operational Assistance Plan for Afghanistan, the Donor Alert and its Update, and the Immediate and Transitional Assistance Programme (ITAP). • The appeal document which is based on the Immediate and Transitional Assistance Programme for the Afghan People 2002 (ITAP) and with broad overview as well as sectoral priorities and project details was launched on 28 February 2002. • The United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA) structure is in the process of being finalised. The relationship of the IASC and the UNAMA assistance pillar needs to be defined.

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<p>9. Updates from IASC Subsidiary Bodies</p> <p>9.1 Preparedness and Contingency Plan</p>	<p>The IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requested the reference group to continue its work, focusing on follow up activities. Encouraged publication and dissemination of the guidelines with a follow-up action plan for technical support and training. Suggested a revised TOR be prepared for the group, indicating what is expected from the partners, including human and financial resource requirements. Recognised that OCHA would serve as a focal point for facilitating inter-agency contingency planning, but that the initiatives would be undertaken on an inter-agency basis and that the reference group would continue to act as a technical resource. 	<p>Contingency Planning RG</p> <p>Contingency Planning RG</p> <p>Contingency Planning RG</p> <p>OCHA/Contingency Planning RG</p>	<p>2002</p> <p>March 2002</p> <p>Jan.2002</p> <p>On-going</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing. The Guidelines were finalised and disseminated to HCs. The Guidelines were shared at various forums including the Regional Contingency Planning workshop in the Great Lakes Region. Guidelines were made available through the Reliefweb/IASC websites. The revision of ToR was developed during the January 2002 meeting of RG. OCHA's focal point was identified. (Besida Tonwe OCHA NY)
<p>9.2 Humanitarian Action/Human Rights</p>	<p>The IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expressed its support for finalisation of the work of the reference group, including the "Growing the Sheltering Tree" document and the soon to be finalised "Frequently Asked Questions". Requested the reference group to look at concrete outcomes such as a clear set of guidelines for rights-based programmes in humanitarian situations and support to RC/HCs on practical problems. Agreed that upon the recommendations of two IASC members the reference group could be 	<p>HAHR RG</p> <p>HAHR RG</p> <p>IASC-WG</p>	<p>March 2002</p> <p>June 2002</p> <p>2002</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The bidding process for printing the "Growing the Sheltering Trees" underway. The text of the FAQs is finalised. During the February 2002 RG meeting, the RG members expressed various views on the RG's roles and capacity regarding the proposed activities in 2002 such as provision of policy inputs to the field. WFP will draft a letter outlining various views and requesting clarification from the IASC-WG.

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	requested to provide policy advice to the field.			
9.3 SWG CAP	<p>The IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understood that the group's workplan for 2002 would be modified to include some activities identified under the CAP review. • Encouraged donor involvement in field missions. • Encouraged greater feedback from the HC's on what could be done to improve the CAP. 	<p>OCHA/CAP SWG</p> <p>OCHA/All Agencies</p> <p>HC's/OCHA</p>	<p>Jan. 2002</p> <p>On-going</p> <p>28 Nov.2001</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAP SWG Workplan has been revised. • Ongoing and was discussed during Donors Meeting in Montreux in March 2002. • Recommendations to improve the CAP were identified with HCs during the HC Retreat in December 2001.
9.4 Gender and Humanitarian Assistance	<p>The IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Praised the work of the reference group, and stressed that the mainstreaming issue was a priority. • Encouraged continued work with field teams, and that future missions would be announced in advance by OCHA to the RC/HCs. 	<p>Gender RG</p> <p>Gender RG/ OCHA</p>	<p>On-going</p> <p>2002</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing. • Ongoing.
9.5 Training	<p>The IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcomed the work of the reference group, and looked forward to a report in June on future activities of the reference group were it extended beyond June. • Proposed that the Training Taskforce include information on UN/NGO collaboration for staff security in UNSECOORD's inventory. 	<p>Training TF</p> <p>Training TF</p>	<p>June 2002</p> <p>June 2002</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing. • Ongoing
9.6 Sanctions	<p>The IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggested a sunset clause by June for developing the methodology for reporting on targeted sanctions, after which there would be 	Sanctions RG	June 2002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The preparation to develop a draft report on the assessment methodologies underway.

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	<p>a review to see if the reference group should be continued.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pointed out that there should be greater linkages with the reference group on human rights and humanitarian action. 	Sanctions RG/HAHR RG	Jan.2002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing.
9.7 Telecommunication	<p>The IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreed that telecommunications coordination should stay with WFP for the Afghan crisis. Suggested that if additional resources were needed for telecommunications they should be requested in the revised donor alert for Afghanistan. 	WFP OCHA	On-going Jan.2002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WGET meeting that was held 5-6 February 2002 reaffirmed the WFP's role as leading agency in Kabul for telecom coordination while noting the important role UNOCHA can play in this area. No link between the RG and ITAP made. However, the ITAP and Afghanistan appeal document contain sectoral priorities and project details which appealed for Telecom equipment.
9.8 Small Arms	<p>The IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreed that at the next IASC WG meeting, the reference group would report back with more specific plans of its activities. Acknowledged the importance of advocacy on small arms, and suggested that attention could be paid to some country situations. 	Small Arms RG Small Arms RG	June 2002 Jan.2002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing. Ongoing
9.9 Post-Conflict Reintegration	<p>The IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acknowledged the value of having feedback from reference groups that had closed, and agreed that this should be done yearly during the annual review of the workplans. Requested UNDP to follow-up with focal points on next steps, particularly with the idea of implementing the Golden Rules in selected countries, e.g. Afghanistan, and inform the working group in writing. 	IASC Secretariat UNDP	Nov.2002 Jan.2002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing Pending.

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10. Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) Unit	<p>The IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreed that the Senior IDP Network should continue to function in some form. Took note of the IDP Unit's workplan and requested agencies to send comments to the IDP Unit by end December. Requested the IDP Unit to clarify the status of the global IDP survey and ensure this is reflected in the 2002 workplan. Tasked the IDP Unit to develop a strategy on the use of the training package, including at the field level and to report back at the next IASC WG meeting. 	<p>IDP Unit</p> <p>All agencies</p> <p>IDP Unit</p> <p>IDP Unit</p>	<p>Jan.2002</p> <p>20 Dec. 2001</p> <p>Jan.2002</p> <p>March 2002</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing-The revised ToR of the Network has been prepared by the Unit and is in the process of being shared with the Network members. . Completed and the revised workplan will be shared with the agencies soon. The IDP Unit is in the process of discussing with NRC regarding information sharing agreement with NRC on Global IDP Database. The strategy on the use of the training package has been finalised and has been shared with the IASC WG members for March 2002 IASC WG meeting.
11. Review of the 2001 Workplan and Proposed Workplan 2002	<p>The IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requested comments on the 2002 Work Plan by 14 December, 2001. Suggested that the draft Work Plan be shared with HCs as part of a process of encouraging stronger linkages between the IASC-WG and the field. 	<p>All agencies</p> <p>IASC Secretariat</p>	<p>14 Dec. 2001</p> <p>28 Nov.2001</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed. Completed. The draft workplan was shared during the HC Retreat in December 2001.
12. IASC Plenary	<p>The IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreed that consultations should take place immediately to determine whether a sufficient number of principals would be in attendance to justify holding the meeting scheduled for 3 December 2001. 	<p>IASC Secretariat</p>	<p>26 Nov. 2001</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IASC Plenary postponed. Agenda items picked up at the upcoming Plenary on April 2002.
13. Discussion on IASC Membership Criteria	<p>The IASC WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreed that prospective members would be invited to participate in subsidiary bodies as a first step to determine whether or not they 	<p>ERC</p>	<p>2002</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing.

