Follow-up Action Matrix of the 50th IASC WG Meeting 18 & 19 September 2002 (Status as of 15 November)

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Introduction	N/A	-		
Overview of Global Humanitarian Activities	N/A			
3. Liberia	IASC-Working Group: Called for special attention for resource mobilization for humanitarian need in Liberia given the impact of economic sanctions.	N/A	N/A	◆ Donor meeting on West Africa will take place on 21 November, during which funding of the humanitarian needs for Liberia will be discussed.
	Requested agencies to explore ways for greater visibility for Liberia through for example their Goodwill Ambassadors.	All agencies	December 2002	♦ No progress
	Agreed to revisit the need for additional field security staff as per the background note prepared by the Country Team. Requested UNDP to follow-up their earlier pledge to finance deployment of a field security officer, if necessary.	UNDP	October 2002	◆ Two meetings held to discuss the issue of recruitment of additional field security staff. No further steps have been taken since UNSECOORD did not give their approval so far.
	Requested the HC and the Country Team to identify gaps in protection and assistance to IDPs which, would be created by the phasing out of UNHCR. Reiterated that the RC/HC was the focal point for IDPs and was responsible for allocation of responsibilities.	OCHA, HC/Country Team	December 2002	♦ No information available.
	Welcomed deployment of a Protection Officer to support the work of the Inter-Agency Protection Working Group.	N/A	N/A	◆ N/A
	Encouraged the Country Team to review the role of	CT/	December	♦ Mission undertaken by the IDP Unit/ Protection Coalition (8

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	the LRRRC in the IDP registration process and coordination of resource allocation.	Protection Coalition	2002	to 15 November 2002) to assist the HC and the TC in the implementation of the recommendations formulated by the Protection Coalition and its meetings.
	Noted the need for donor support for access negotiations, and expressed its support for the Country Team to mobilize such support.	All agencies/ Country Team	December 2002	◆ No information available
	Acknowledged the usefulness of the experience by the humanitarian community in Liberia in the past to distance the humanitarian community from the political dimension.	N/A	N/A	◆ N/A
	Agreed on the need for improved data to measure the extent of IDPs caseload, the need to strengthen common humanitarian information gathering.	Country Team and Protection Coalition	December 2002	♦ Needs addressed during mission by the IDP Unit/Protection Coalition to Liberia.
	Noted the need to follow-up implementation of the Plan of Action of the IASC Taskforce on Sexual Exploitation.	Protection from Sexual Exploitation Taskforce	Ongoing	◆ The IASC Task Force completed a mission to Liberia in November.
4. IDPs: Debriefing by	IASC-Working Group: Welcomed the debriefing by RSG/IDPs;	N/A	N/A	♦ N/A
RSGIDPs on his mission to Turkey and Mexico	Agreed that systematic effort need to be made to support the Country Teams and RC/HCs in discharging their responsibility for protection and assistance to IDPs;	IDP Unit	Ongoing	♦ The IDP unit drafted a concept of the Protection Survey as initiative for promoting enhanced response to the protection of IDP's, and will ask the IASC WG endorsement of this concept and the IASC members their full support to implement the Protection Survey.
	Agreed that in the future the ERC alerts the Country Teams through RC/HCs on future missions by RSG/IDPs in order to sensitize them on IDP concerns before RSG Deng arrives in the country, so that the RSG can raise these issues with the Government on behalf of the country team.	ОСНА	Ongoing	◆ Ongoing

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	Reaffirmed that the RC/HC has the overall responsibility for ensuring that IDP issues are addressed in a collaborative approach with the Country Team in accordance with mandates of individual agencies.	RC/HCs	Ongoing	♦ Ongoing
5. IDPs: Update on the work of the IDP Unit	The IASC Working Group: Endorsed the revised TOR of the Senior IDP Network and the TOR of the Protection Coalition.	N/A	N/A	♦ N/A
	Welcomed the work on Colombia and on the Humanitarian Plan of Action.	UNHCR, IDP Unit	Ongoing	◆ Draft Humanitarian Plan of Action was circulated to the agencies HQ's the beginning of October. Ad hoc EC meeting held on Tuesday 5 November in NY to discuss the draft Plan of Action. The final document is to be launched 25 November in Bogota.
	Expressed support for increased UN presence in priority regions, increased security arrangements, development of modalities for engaging with the illegal armed groups and raising awareness in Colombia of IDP concerns.	RC, Country Team IDP Unit	Ongoing	♦ UN senior level meeting took place from 4 to 8 November in NY to discuss UN strategy for Colombia, including the issues on the need to increase UN presence in priority regions, to increased security arrangements, development of modalities for engaging with the armed opposition and raising awareness in Colombia of IDP concerns. The High Commissioner for Refugees will raise these issues during his visit to Bogota on the 25 November (launch Humanitarian Plan of Action).
	Suggested that the situation in Colombia could be the focus of the November IASC WG meeting's indepth country review.	IASC Secretariat	November 2002	♦ Not on the Agenda
6 (a). CAP- Preparations for 2003 CAP	The IASC Working Group: Confirmed 2003 CAP countries, and agreed on how to proceed with the following outstanding issues: Colombia: the IDP Plan will be issued separately from the CAP launch and may be developed into a CAP for 2004.	N/A OCHA	N/A November 2002	◆ N/A ◆ Completed
	Sri Lanka: would not be included in the CAP launch. Southeastern Europe: would have a summary of the			

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	CHAP to be included in the CAP Launch P.I. document. Tanzania: will be included in the Great Lakes Regional CAP. Southern Africa Humanitarian Crisis: an update would be included in the CAP Launch. Republic of Congo: the UN Action Plan would be issued and included in the CAP Launch. oPt: a CAP like document to be issued at the CAP launch and preparation will be coordinated with LACC. Reminded Agencies on the deadline of submission of CAP 2003 field draft to be 1 October. Agreed to hold on 9 or 10 October in Geneva the review of the 2003 draft CAPs Sierra Leone and	All agencies OCHA	October 2002 October 2002	 ◆ Completed ◆ Meeting took place on 22 October.
6 (b). CAP-2003 CAP Launch	Indonesia by the Directors of Emergency. The IASC Working Group: Welcomed and reached general consensus on the Public Information Strategy. Agreed to support CAP launch focal points and the Public Information campaign.	OCHA Focal Points of Agencies assigned.	November 2002 November 2002	 ◆ Public Information Strategy being implemented. ◆ CAP launch focal points and Public Information campaign supported. PI materials finalised and disseminated
6 (c). CAP- Implementation of the IASC Plan of Action for Strengthening of the CAP	The IASC Working Group: Urged for a more comprehensive feedback on the progress of implementation of the Plan of Action for Strengthening of the CAP. Endorsed the work done so far and guidance for future action. Requested IASC members to consider possibilities for secondment of two staff to the CAP Unit.	N/A N/A All agencies	N/A N/A Ongoing	 No progress N/A No progress. Request being repeated.

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7. Update of the response to the Southern Africa humanitarian	The IASC Working Group: Expressed its support for the possibility of a high-level regional conference.	N/A	N/A	♦ No action taken.
crisis with a particular focus on Zimbabwe	Proposed that a joint meeting be organized between Mr. James Morris and Mr. Stephen Lewis (HIV/AIDS Envoy) to facilitate integrated approach to addressing the crisis	WFP and UNAIDS	Completed.	◆ N/A
	Requested the HIV/AIDS Reference Group and UNAIDS to suggest how to strengthen the linkage between humanitarian response and HIV/AIDS issues.	RG on HIVAIDS (WHO)	November 2002	◆ Ongoing. RG meeting took place on 5 November on the Southern Africa Crisis. Matrix of the RG shared with IA regional team in Southern Africa.
	Agreed to review the coordination arrangements throughout the region and to strengthen the capacity of the offices at the regional and national levels.	ОСНА	Ongoing	◆ Coordination arrangements for the region have been reviewed by IASC Members. TORs for the regional Inter Agency coordination support office (RIASCO) agreed upon. RIASCO now houses WFP, WHO, UNDP, UNICEF, IFRC and its meetings are routinely attended by UNHCR and UNAIDS. OCHA and UNDP continue efforts to strengthen office the resident coordinators in the 6 most affected countries.
	Expressed its support for backstopping RC/HC Zimbabwe in policy dialogue with the Government of Zimbabwe on NGO registration, IDPs, humanitarian principles.	UNCT, IASC Agencies	Ongoing	♦ A letter concerning NGO registration was went by DERC to Mr July Moyo, Minister of Public Service Labor and Social Welfare on 2 October 2002.
	Expressed its support to the efforts of the Country Team in Zimbabwe for improved information collection, monitoring and verification.	ОСНА	December 2002	♦ A joint OCHA UNDP mission undertaken from 5 until 13 November has further helped the office of the RC to shape structures for improved information collection, monitoring and verification.
	Agreed on the need to strengthen regional and country contingency planning, particularly for Zimbabwe.	OCHA, WFP	December 2002	OCHA has initiated discussions within RIASCO and in Zimbabwe from which agreement has been reached on a framework for he preparation of country and regional

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	Encouraged advocacy and media strategy focussing on the impact of the situation on affected population.	WFP, OCHA	Ongoing	 ◆ RIASCO is in the process of developing a resource mobilization strategy drawing on advocacy and media opportunities for the period through to end March. The strategy will build on events, high-level missions, critical issues and specific activities. The strategy is expected to be finalized by the first week of December.
8. Northern Caucasus	The IASC Working Group: Stressed the need for senior members of the UN to continue advocacy efforts to ensure voluntary return policies and for continued assistance programmes for IDPs and vulnerable groups in Chechnya.	IASC Agencies	Ongoing	◆ Senior staff members of the UN agencies belonging to IASC have been regularly and consistently advocating for voluntary return of IDPs in the Northern Caucasus during the meetings with the Russian Federation's federal and local authorities as well as its Permanent Missions in Geneva and NY. Assistance and protection programmes for IDPs and vulnerable groups in Chechnya continue to be a critical segment of the CAP 2002 and 2003 with an increased share of assistance directed to Chechnya. UNHCR and other UN agencies have been stepping up their protection work in Ingushetia's camp.
	Stressed the importance of coordinating various upcoming high-level missions.	ОСНА	November 2002	♦ UN/HC and OCHA have been coherently ensuring co- ordination of aid community high level missions. Given security constraints several missions had to be postponed.
	Agreed on the establishment of humanitarian presence in Grozny as soon as security conditions allow.	ОСНА	Ongoing	◆ Serious security conditions continue preventing the establishment of the UN humanitarian support office in Grozny
	Noted on the need to improve staff security.	ОСНА	Ongoing	◆ Staff security measures have been enhanced through strengthening of UNSECOORD presence in Moscow and North Caucasus.
9. Update on recent development in Sudan	The IASC Working Group: Agreed on the need for full range of contingency scenarios.	ОСНА	Ongoing	♦ Ongoing. Post conflict contingency plan is under preparation in Karthoum, with support from southern sector based agencies.

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	Encouraged OCHA to follow up on TCHA arrangements in line with proposed timeline of Cross Line Committee.	ОСНА	Ongoing	♦ Final dates of meeting 16 to 18 December in Nairobi. Agenda focused on access issues.
	Endorsed the idea of the inter-agency mission to the Sudan to review IDP issues, the TOR for which would be finalized based on comments from the agencies. Agreed to seek the advice from the Country Team regarding the most appropriate timing of the inter-agency mission.	IDP Unit	October 2002	♦ Mission to Sudan took place from 3 to 17 November. Findings mission available at the end of November.
	Agreed on renewed efforts to address the issue of under funding, and suggested that the OCHA in consultation with the HC and the Country Team prepare an analysis on the sudden funding drop of 2002.	ОСНА	December 2002	◆ Donor meeting on Sudan organized at the UN mission in Geneva on 25 November. Funding CAP will be discussed, including program priorities and recruitment issues.
10. Revision of the Terms of Reference (ToR) of Humanitarian	The IASC Working Group: Welcomed the progress in the revision of the TOR so far and endorsed the proposed way forward.	N/A	N/A	♦ N/A
Coordinators	Agreed that the draft revised TOR be shared with the RC Issues Group before its finalization.	ОСНА	November 2002	◆ A draft revised TOR will be included at November the IASC WG meeting and at the HC.
11. HC Retreat	The IASC Working Group: Reached a preliminary agreement on the format for the retreat and took note of the issues suggested to be included on the agenda.	N/A	N/A	◆ N/A
	Agreed that OCHA would revert before finalization of the agenda.	ОСНА	30 October	◆ Completed.
12. Preparations for IASC Plenary	The IASC Working Group: Agreed on the format of the IASC Plenary meeting consisting of a limited number of agenda items.	N/A	N/A	◆ N/A
	Requested the IASC Secretariat to poll IASC members to see which items were favoured for	IASC Secretariat	Completed.	◆ Completed in October.

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	discussion. Stressed the importance of the active participation of IOM, NGO consortia and Red Cross Movement principals in the Plenary meeting, and requested that these members particularly submit ideas to the IASC Secretariat on the agenda items. Agreed to consider the possibility of convening a meeting with the EU and US either in the margins of the Plenary or as one agenda item in the meeting itself.	IOM, ICVA, Interaction, SCHR and ICRC/IFRC	Request sent 27 September October 2002	 ◆ Completed. The agenda item proposed by Interaction on the issue of Humanitarian Military Interface will be included the agenda. ◆ Meeting will be organized later.
13. Progress Report on IASC Taskforce on Protection from Sexual Exploitation	The IASC Working Group: Noted with appreciation the work of the Task Force to date in particular Code of Conduct Sub Working Group's work and proposed next steps, including the revitalization of the communications subgroup and missions to three countries.	N/A	N/A	◆ N/A
	Asked that the Task Force to continue discussion on the plan of action with DPKO.	IASC Taskforce	December 2002	♦ The IASC Task Force just completed their first mission, in which Liberia was one of the countries visited. While there is awareness among the humanitarian community of the problem and there are codes of conduct for behavior, more needs to be done to ensure consistent awareness and understanding. There has also been progress in identifying vulnerabilities, but more could be done especially with regard to female headed households.
	Agreed that the task force mission's would be joint inter-agency missions (West Africa, other locations to be confirmed).	IASC Taskforce	November 2002	♦ While there has been some dialogue, more needs to be done to ensure a coherent approach with DPKO. The SG's Bulletin, codifying the 6 core principles will apply to all UN personnel, including civilian DPKO staff, which should help with ensuring uniformity in approach.
14. Follow up to the 2002	The IASC Working Group: Agreed to have the ECOSOC 2003 report	N/A	N/A	◆ Completed. ECOSOC 2003 preparation will be discussed at

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ECOSOC Humanitarian Segment	preparations discussed at the November 2002 IASC WG meeting.			the Nov WG Meeting.
3	Acknowledged the work of the informal group on protection of civilians and supported the plan to hold regional protection of civilians workshops.	OCHA	Ongoing	◆ Two workshops have taken place so far.
	Requested that the ECHA/UNDG task force on transition issues take into account the work done earlier by IASC Taskforce on Post Conflict Reintegration led by UNDP in order to avoid duplicate efforts.	UNDP	December 2002	♦ Ongoing. Reference was made to the work done by Post Conflict Reintegration RG during the ECHA/UNDG WG meeting on Transition chaired by UNICEF.
15. Strengthening the effectiveness of the IASC	The IASC Working Group: Agreed that the IASC Secretariat would undertake consultations with IASC members for development of a Plan of Action for strengthening the effectiveness of the IASC, with particular focus on reach out to the field.	IASC Secretariat	November 2002	♦ The draft Plan of Action was developed and shared on 13 November with IASC WG Members for discussions at the November IASC WG meeting.
	Requested that the recommendations of the 2000 to be circulated to IASC WG members.	IASC Secretariat	Completed.	◆ Completed
16. Proposal for an IASC Review	The IASC Working Group: Agreed to the plans for an external expert to undertake a review of the IASC in consultation with IASC members, and suggested that the review be closely linked to the development of Plan of Action for strengthening the IASC.	OCHA, All agencies	February 2003	♦ Completed. The draft TOR for external review of IASC was shared with IASC WG for their comments. The deadline for the comments is 22 November 2002.
17. AOB: Preparation for the IASC-WG meeting in November	The IASC Working Group: Provided several suggestions for possible agenda items for the IASC WG meeting in November including Colombia, Afghanistan, Middle East and Southern Africa as in-depth country analysis.	N/A	N/A	◆ N/A
	Requested the IASC Secretariat to collect feedback from the IASC members on the choice of the agenda	IASC Secretariat	Completed.	◆ Completed

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