INTER-AGENCY STANDING COMMITTEE WORKING GROUP 50th MEETING

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HC Retreat: Suggested Agenda Items for Humanitarian Coordinator's Retreat November 21-23, 2002

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Proposed Action/decision by the IASC WG:

The IASC WG is invited to consider the following menu of options for agenda items and suggest any other potential agenda items with the view of the reaching a preliminary agreement on the agenda of the Humanitarian Coordinators' Retreat.

Objectives of the Retreat

The objectives of the retreat are proposed as follows:

- 1. To provide a forum for HCs to gain a fuller understanding of the support available to them from OCHA and IASC members in the exercise of their functions,
- 2. To deepen the knowledge of HCs on key tools and issues relevant to their mandate,
- 3. To obtain HC's views on their needs and priorities in the field to HQ staff, and
- 4. To facilitate the exchange of information among HCs dealing with related issues based on lessons learned.

Menu of Options:

- □ Review of 2003 CAP Launches
- □ Key issues in CAP process for Humanitarian Coordinators
- Update and Discussion: Protection from sexual exploitation in humanitarian crises
- □ Effective Humanitarian Programming: Gender mainstreaming
- □ Strategic Coordination: Definitions, examples, views from the field
- □ Revision of HC TORs

- □ Security Issues: Training, lessons learned, update from UNSECOORD
- □ 'Tool box Supermarket':
 - o IDP Guiding Principles
 - o Donor Relations and Resource Mobilization
 - o Humanitarian Advocacy
 - o Agency emergency resources and capacities (each agency to make available information on services available for humanitarian emergencies)
 - o Transitions: Tools, mechanisms, how to lead, advocate, engage donors
 - o OCHA Emergency Tools and Services for rapid deployment and natural disasters
 - o IASC Mechanism and recent developments