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**Follow up to actions points from the 2004 IASC Working Group meetings**

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The findings of the External Review of the Inter-Agency Standing Committee, conducted in December 2003, emphasized the importance of strengthening the monitoring of the follow-up and implementation of decisions taken by the Inter-Agency Standing Committee. In response, this paper aims to provide information of the status of follow-up to the decisions and action points of the 56<sup>th</sup> (11 – 12 February 2004 in Rome), the 57<sup>th</sup> (16 –17 June 2004 in Geneva), the 58<sup>th</sup> (22-23 September 2004 in New York) and the 59<sup>th</sup> (22-23 November 2004 in Geneva) Working Group meetings as well as the ad hoc meeting of the IASC Working Group on Indonesia (18 June 2004 in Geneva).

Proposed Actions by the IASC WG members:

- The IASC Working Group is requested to review the status outlined with the aim to collectively identify gaps and opportunities in implementing agreed upon decisions

**Colour codes in the matrix:**

Green: Completed action points from the 59th WG meeting

Yellow: Pending action points from the 56th, 57th, 58th and 59th WG meetings

White: Actions points from 2004 requiring ongoing/continuous activities

Completed action point from the 56th, 57th and 58th WG meetings is not included in the matrix

<b>CAP</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Uphold and apply "Nomenclature Paper" and associated guidelines to determine when and how to issue appeals and strategy documents to address core humanitarian needs in emergencies	58		IASC agencies	OCHA CAP section		Ongoing
Apply interim guidance on transitional appeals for countries in transitional situations until UNDG/ECHA Working Group on Transition Issues guidance is ready, to determine whether to continue with a CAP or prepare a transitional appeal.	58			OCHA CAP section	Ongoing	Ongoing
Support work of UNDG and ECHA to devise coordinated and inclusive planning, fundraising, and programming tool for post-conflict transition	58		CAP SWG			Ongoing
Financial Tracking Service (FTS) to track contributions to humanitarian component of Liberia and Sudan documents, assuming the humanitarian section of overall 'humanitarian action – development cooperation' documents is clearly visible	58	Contributions are tracked and included in the FTS.	OCHA FTS/CAP	OCHA CAP section		Awaiting details for 2005.

Support CTs facing difficulties with host governments <i>inter alia</i> by: a) Backing HC and CT efforts to explain to host authorities that the CAP is a standard operating procedure to ensure coordinated planning, fundraising, and programming; b) Making verbal or written demarche from HQ; c) Sending high-level interlocutors to support CTs in their discussions with Governments; d) Engaging the Secretary-General	58					Ongoing
Develop guidance to ensure quality and timeliness of Flash Appeals, including realistic funding requirements	58	Guidelines are developed and shared with IASC members	CAP SWG	CAP SWG		Work started. Will be finished by end 2005.
Ensure clearly identifiable humanitarian needs and related funding requirements in integrated appeal documents covering both humanitarian action and development cooperation. Acknowledge links with development needs and delineate 'humanitarian needs' fairly broadly	58		OCHA	OCHA CAP section	Ongoing	Field informed about IASC WG decision.  Ongoing
Review the 2005 CAP preparations process including review of the piloting of the prioritization initiative. To be discussed in the CAP SWG	59		CAP SWG	CAP Section	Ongoing	
<b>Civil Military Interface</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress /Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Regularly update IASC paper on Civil-Military Relationship in Complex Emergencies to reflect evolving humanitarian environment. Suggested updates to be brought to IASC-WG for discussion.	57	Continuous follow-up on the humanitarian environment, which will be reflected by regular updates.	IASC agencies	OCHA PDSB	Ongoing	So far no suggestion for revision or update has been brought to the attention of OCHA/PDSB between June 2004 and March 2005.

<b>Collaborative Approaches to Security</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress /Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
IASC TF to present a substantive report including a work plan identifying clearly achievable outputs	59		IASC TF	IASC Secretariat	60 <sup>th</sup> IASC WG meeting	Expected to be presented at the 60th IASC WG meeting
<b>Early Warning Early Action (EW/EA)</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress /Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Further development of minimum required actions under each alert category	58		SWG		Ongoing	
EW/EA report to be shared with HCs and request feedback from the CTs on the proposed minimum preparedness actions contained in the report, with a request also to signal any complementary action not presently envisaged.	59	Increased accountability in case of an emerging humanitarian crisis	AERC/ OCHA	IASC Secretariat		
<b>ECOSOC</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Continue the process of inclusive consultations for preparing for the Segment, and a draft resolution to be shared with the IASC WG member once available	57		OCHA/IASC Secretariat			
Agencies to reflect ECOSOC recommendations in their work plans	58	Recommendations are reflected	IASC Members		Continuous	
More active involvement of all IASC agencies in the informal consultations on ECOSOC resolutions	58	All IASC agencies are actively involved	IASC Members	OCHA PDSB	May-July 2005	
<b>Emergency Telecommunications</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress /Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up

Formalisation of the IASC TF into an IASC SWG entitled "IASC SWG on Emergency Telecommunication"	59		IASC TF			Done
<b>Field Information Management</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress /Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Closing of the TF on Field Information Management. Information management to be continued in the existing inter-agency mechanisms, such as the GIST	59	Closing if the TF. Continuing of information management in the GIST and other existing inter-agency mechanisms	TF on Field Information Management			Done
<b>Floods in South Asia</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Support the development of national capacity to address natural disasters, as agreed by 2004 ECOSOC Humanitarian Segment	58		IASC members / Task Force on Natural Disasters	TF Natural Disasters		Discussed at the TFND meeting in October 2004. Issues are being addressed in the framework of the TFND Pilot Project, currently ongoing. The Task Force will report on its findings and recommendations in the March 2005 meeting of the IASC WG.
Strengthen cooperation with IFRC and the Red Cross / Red Crescent Societies at the country and regional level for improved disaster preparedness and response	58		IASC members	TF Natural Disasters/SWG on Preparedness and Contingency Planning		

Examine existing inter-agency mechanisms for disaster preparedness and response and propose to the IASC WG ways to ensure optimal use of these mechanisms	58	Mechanisms examined and proposals presented to the IASC WG	IASC TF Natural Disasters / SWG Preparedness and CP	TF Natural Disasters		
<b>Follow-up to High Level Humanitarian Forum (HLHF)</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
<b>Gender and Humanitarian Assistance</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Produce a draft statement of commitment to address gender based violence (GBV)	59		IASC TF/Former co-chairs of the IASC TF on Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse		Circulation by 29 Nov 2004	Done
IASC policy to address GBV to be developed in 2005	59	Discussion of the issue at the 60 <sup>th</sup> IASC WG meeting			2005	
<b>Good Humanitarian Donorship (GHD)</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action by	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Work with donors as partners to make the GHD initiative work	57	The work with the donors continues.	IASC agencies	Contact Group on Humanitarian Financing	Ongoing	Agency involvement is mixed

Encourage greater NGO involvement in GHD processes	57	Greater involvement of NGOs	NGO consortia	Contact Group on Humanitarian Financing	Ongoing	CAP pilots in DRC and Burundi did not benefit from overwhelming NGO-involvement.
<b>HIV/AIDS in emergency settings</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action by	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
UNAIDS to assume the Chair of the IASC TF until the completion of its work	59		UNAIDS			Done
IASC TF to report back to the IASC WG in June 2005 with a final set of suggestions for agencies to take forward	59		IASC TF	IASC Secretariat	IASC WG in June 2005	
<b>Human Rights Humanitarian Action (HR/HA)</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Rapid finalisation of draft report through consultation with workshop participants. TF HR/HA to recommend action points for IASC-WG to adopt at 58 <sup>th</sup> IASC WG	57	Report and action points presented to the IASC WG	TF HR/HA	IASC TF	59 <sup>th</sup> IASC WG Nov 2004	Draft workshop report has been finalized. Recommendations need to be further consolidated for later submission to the IASC WG
Finalise draft Guidelines for HCs on human rights, incorporating comments from workshop participants, for submission to 58 <sup>th</sup> IASC WG for adoption	57	Guidelines are finalized and adopted by the IASC WG	TF HR/HA	IASC TF	59 <sup>th</sup> IASC WG Nov 2004	Postponed to 59 <sup>th</sup> WG
<b>Humanitarian Common Service (HCS)</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up

HCS to maintain strategic leadership over HCS, and for the service provider(s) to maintain operational management. This should be implemented in full consultation with the CT, including the establishment of local accountability and coordination mechanisms, as required.	59	Consultation with the CT and establishment of local accountability and coordination mechanisms, as required	HCS/CT	HCS	Ongoing	
Establishing of a budget line for OCHA for pre-positioned funds for rapid assessment of inter-agency telecommunications requirements	59	Establishment of the budget line	OCHA desk	OCHA desk		
Inclusion of HCS projects under a distinct section under the coordination chapter of the CAP and CHAP	59	Inclusion of the HCS	OCHA CAP Section	OCHA CAP/HCS		Will be in the CAP 2006. Done

#### Humanitarian Impact of Sanctions

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#### Humanitarian Response Review

Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Discuss the Final Draft ToR in the IASC Principals meeting on 9 Dec 2004	59	Discussion in the meeting, as well as commencement of the review process	IASC Principals	IASC Agencies/HRR reference group	Principals meeting 9 Dec 2004	Done
Drafting and circulation of a summary record reflecting the discussion on the HRR to be circulated to the IASC WG members in order to determine whether the draft TORs should be further revised in preparation for the Principals' meeting.	59	Drafting and circulation of the summary record			Principals meeting 9 Dec 2004	Done
Forming of an IASC Reference Group, consisting of focal points from IASC members, led by the AERC	59	Forming of, and meetings in, the IASC Reference group	IASC Agencies	AERC		Done



IDPs						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Designation of focal points within each agency to facilitate sharing of IDP-related information with Global IDP Project	57	All agencies have designated IDP Focal Points	IASC Agencies	NRC		Ongoing, 5 focal points designated so far
Development of inter-agency framework of system-wide collection and analysis of IDP-related information in close collaboration with NRC and Senior Network	57	Development of Inter-Agency framework of system-wide collection	IASC Agencies, NRC and Senior Network	NRC		Ongoing
IASC WG members to report to IDD on dissemination and use of procedural roadmap within their respective organizations, particularly in the field	57	Reporting to the IDD in place	IASC Agencies and IDD	IDD		Feedback expected at 59 <sup>th</sup> IASC WG.
Ensure integration of the procedural roadmap into all relevant CAP workshops	57	Roadmaps are integrated into all relevant CAP workshops.	OCHA CAP unit	OCHA CAP unit / IDD		Ongoing.
All IASC members to ensure wide dissemination and implementation of the IDP Policy Package, including to the SRSGs, DSRSGs, HCs and RCs	58	Country teams apply Policy Package in IDP response	IASC members	IDD		Ongoing
Need for progress indicators to measure success of the collaborative response	58	Progress indicators established	IDD	IDD		Progress indicators currently under development
Establish appropriate division of labour with OCHA to determine how best to provide support to CTs not among IDD's priority countries	58	Division of labour established	IDD/OCHA	IDD		Discussions are ongoing
Provide regular interaction between agencies and the IDD Review role and function of Senior Network	58	2005 Workplan	Senior Network / IDD	IDD		End 2004
Address protection gaps in IDP response and further discuss the proposal for Protection Standby Capacity in the IASC	58	Greater protection capacity	IDD /IASC members / OCHA	IDD		Ongoing

<b>Indonesia</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Discuss benchmarks for high level-low profile approach and need for outside facilitator or experts	57	Benchmarks are decided and need for facilitator decided.	IASC CT	OCHA desk		OCHA received the permission to visit Aceh (Pidie District) twice without security escort.
Continued advocacy for all humanitarian actors, including NGOs with particular emphasis on access of NGOs to Aceh	57	Advocacy continues	HC	OCHA desk		During a meeting between the Indonesian president and the HC the issue of access was discussed. The government requested OCHA to conduct a Protection of Civilians Workshop.
Maintain open dialogue with UN and NGOs on progress of "High Level-Low Profile" approach	57	Open dialogue between UN and NGOs maintained		OCHA desk		Ongoing.
Carry out interagency needs assessment mission in West Timor	57	Interagency needs assessment mission carried out	Agencies	OCHA desk		Ongoing.
Awareness and public information campaign to be carried out in West Timor to improve image and public perception of the humanitarian community	57	Information campaign is carried out		OCHA desk		Still to be discussed by the UN CT.
<b>Integrated Missions</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Remain seized with this issue and ensure full consultation with all IASC members	57	Full consultations with all IASC members are continued.	OCHA /IASC	OCHA /IASC	Ongoing	Ongoing

Use IASC as critical interlocutor for discussing implications of integrated missions for humanitarian action involving both UN and non-UN actors, while recognizing that some issues related to how integrated missions are managed are internal to the UN and outside the purview of the IASC	58	IASC mechanism is used for discussion	IASC members	IASC		Waiting for the draft study on Integrated Missions. For discussion in the 60 <sup>th</sup> IASC WG meeting.
Ensure joint study is conducted in a transparent manner in full consultation with all IASC members, and the report's findings are discussed with IASC members in a suitable forum	58	Joint study is conducted in a transparent manner and findings discussed with IASC members	OCHA	OCHA /PDSB	Ongoing	No consultations.
In studying lessons learned and drawing conclusions for the planning of future missions, there is a need to focus on the mandate of, and functions within, the mission, rather than on structural questions per se.	58			OCHA /PDSB		Awaiting recommendations of joint study
Need for more professional recruitment and selection of candidates for SRSGs and DSRSGs, calling on IASC members to identify suitable candidates on a systematic basis and channel them into the process	58	IASC members are involved in the process recruitment and selection of candidates	IASC members		Ongoing	
Advocacy generally and particularly with Member States during negotiation of Security Council resolutions relating to UN Peace Missions to ensure maximum clarity on the role of humanitarian agencies to safeguard humanitarian space	58		IASC members	OCHA /PDSB	Ongoing	Ongoing
Need for training for SRSGs and DSRSGs on the challenges of integrated missions	58			OCHA /PDSB	Ongoing	Ongoing
<b>Iraq</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up

Continuous updating of ongoing contingency planning exercise, given the rapidly evolving situation.	57	Contingency planning exercise continues to be supported.	HC/CT	OCHA desk		The strategic analysis and contingency planning undertaken in May/June 2004 remain largely valid. With the arrival of 2 OCHA funded HAO in November, the response mechanisms developed and currently implemented by agencies will be reflected in the Final CP document which is expected for release by end December 2004.
Agreed to look into undertaking an IASC lessons learned on the Iraq response in a timely manner.	57	An IASC lessons learned on the Iraq undertaken.	OCHA and IASC WG agencies	OCHA desk		
Need for improved public information on humanitarian action undertaken in Iraq, recognizing that this needs to be done without jeopardizing the security of national staff. This issue should be discussed in the policy or operation groups for Iraq, chaired by the DSG and DPA respectively.	57	Public information on humanitarian action is improved.	HC, OCHA and IASC Agencies	OCHA desk	Ongoing	There is a concerted effort to highlight the exact role and mandate of UNAMI, particularly in regard to its role in the elections. This is being done through television, radio as well as paper media. However, because of security fears, the humanitarian and reconstruction role is still being kept on a lower profile. UNAMI made an initial attempt to establish an information network by contracting several NGOs which are operational in Iraq as sources of primary information. However this initiative has not been implemented due to funding and administrative complications which resulted in resource constraints. The objective remains to establish such a network once security conditions on the ground allow for NGOs and other partners to resume their activities through their local staff.
<b>Liberia</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up

Implementation of the Action Plan for the return and Reintegration of IDPs	59	Ongoing/Effective return or resettlement and reintegration of all IDPs	UN CT	IDD	ASAP regarding the protection components of the Action Plan	
Increase number of protection staff	59		UN CT	IDD	ASAP	Additional human rights officers deployed by UNMIL but no increased capacity on part of protection-mandated agencies
Second DSRSG position to be filled	59		OCHA desk			Position filled by 10 Jan 2005
<b>Locusts in Africa</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Joint advocacy to highlight humanitarian impact of locusts as well as need for preventive technical action.  Two-page advocacy note to be used over the coming weeks as guidance for advocacy messages by the IASC members	58	Joint advocacy performed and note used	IASC members	OCHA desk/FP	Ongoing	The issue of advocacy is put on hold for now, but will be raised again when we are closer to the launch of an appeal. However, efforts have been made to raise the profile of the crises through press releases and mobilising HLWG members to fund raise for both cash and in kind contributions.
Need for joint assessments, including WFP/FAO food supply and crop assessment but also covering broader household food security and livelihood issues, to help determine the required assistance	58	Joint assessment carried out	WFP/ FAO	OCHA desk/FP		CFSAM completed as of 30 October. Press release went out on 4 November in Banjul, The Gambia. Report should be available by end of November 2004.
Importance of regional coordination mechanisms to address the issue effectively	58			OCHA desk/FP		On-going in the Sahel and also between agencies in based in Geneva, NY, Rome and Washington D.C.
<b>Natural Disasters</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action		Deadline	Status of follow-up

IASC TF to present a substantive report	59		IASC TF		60 <sup>th</sup> IASC WG meeting	Posponed to the 61st IASC WG meeting
<b>Organisational matters</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Circulation of a revised calendar for endorsement reflecting the changes made following the discussion	59		IASC Secretariat			Done
<b>Polio</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Advocate for personal involvement by Heads of States and Ministers to address spread of polio in affected countries	58		IASC Principals and field reps	WHO	Ongoing	WHO and UNICEF produced a polio one pager, widely circulated by the IASC Secretariat to IASC WG members, by UNDP to all RCs, and by OCHA CAP Unit to all IASC CAP Focal Point
<b>Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Prepare proposal on how the IASC WG could take the issue of standards of personal behavior forward	57	Proposal offered	IASC TF on Sexual exploitation and abuse	IASC TF on Sexual exploitation and abuse		Feedback pending
Ensure annual reporting by IASC members on implementation of recommendations. Reporting by RC/HC on implementation of SG's Bulletin	57	Annual report prepared. Report on implementation of SG's Bulletin prepared	IASC Sec/ Concerned RCs/HCs	IASC TF		Ongoing
<b>Protection of Civilians (PoC)</b>						

Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Ensure inclusive consultation with all IASC agencies in the preparation of future reports on PoC	57	Inclusive consultations ensured	OCHA and IASC agencies	OCHA PDSB		Consultations ongoing through the ECHA implementation group and informal consultations.
Agencies to forward PoC concerns to ERC for his further action.	57	Agencies to forward concerns to ERC	IASC agencies	OCHA PDSB		Ongoing. Agencies are urged to forward all concerns to the ERC
Discuss how the Security Council can promote humanitarian concerns on protection issues on a country basis in a strategic manner	57	Discussions taken place	OCHA/PDSB IASC agencies	OCHA PDSB		Ongoing efforts are made to ensure that appropriate language is included in all UN SC Resolutions
<b>Review of Emerging Crisis</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
SWG to provide a cost plan for sustaining the website and ensuring it engages all IASC members	58	Cost plan provided	IASC SWG	IASC SWG	59 <sup>th</sup> IASC WG	No progress
Further develop minimum required actions under each alert category	58	Minimum standards developed	IASC SWG	IASC SWG	59 <sup>th</sup> IASC WG	Ongoing
Use the EW-EA report as a call for and commitment to action in terms of required advocacy and fundraising with donors 1) by individual agencies, 2) by country teams and 3) through required inter-agency networks/for a, and followed by required advocacy and fundraising with donors	58		IASC WG		Ongoing	Ongoing
<b>Russian Federation</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Continue high-level missions as platform to reinforce messages concerning common humanitarian concerns.	56	High-level missions are continuing	OCHA and IASC WG members	OCHA desk	Ongoing	ICRC director of operations visited N.Caucasus early November 2004.

Continued and concerted advocacy on protection of civilians inside Chechnya	56	Advocacy on protection of civilians inside Chechnya is continued and concerted	IASC WG members	OCHA desk	Ongoing	Efforts are ongoing. Agencies strive for more effective UN presence inside Chechnya, hold a regular dialogue with humanitarian and human rights actors not included in the CAP, and OCHA is strengthening its public information portfolio in the North Caucasus. Comprehensive sectorial protection activities are also taking place.
<b>Strengthening the Humanitarian Dialogue and New Partnerships</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Establishment of a consultative group of interested IASC members to address the preparation for the Cairo Conference and beyond and to provide a forum for information exchange on pluralistic set of initiatives by different IASC members	59		IASC members			First meeting in the IASC consultative group took place in Dec 2004.
<b>Sudan</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Importance of following the roadmap in establishing responsibilities for assistance and protection of IDPs. Ensure UN CT engages in a fully transparent and inclusive implementation mechanism of the GoS-UN-IOM MoU and in the follow-up to the 90-Day Plan, under leadership of the HC. Full involvement of protection mandated agencies in the further planning and implementation of the MoU	58		UN CT / HC	OCHA desk	Ongoing	Protection strategy endorsed by UN Country Team and SRSG and shared with IASC by ERC. The 4 documents have been finalized and shared with humanitarian community. IOM is rolling out the mechanism and agreements to the states. Regular meetings and emergency meetings are not being held because of delays and cancellations by the GoS.
Improving agencies' protection capacity, especially for protection of women, including female protection officers at field level	58		IASC members	OCHA desk	Ongoing	Protection capacity has increased in the field. UNHCR, UNICEF, OCHA, UNFPA have deployed several protection officers – many of them female. Sub-group on SGBV established with UNIFEM as the coordinating agency.



Expand humanitarian agencies' response capacity in the field, particularly outside urban areas and deploy more senior level staff	58		IASC members	OCHA desk	Ongoing	NGOs have established presence in SLA areas in South and North Darfur. However, since fatal mine-incident in Umm Barro (N. Darfur) presence in these areas in N. Darfur has been greatly reduced. OCHA, WFP opened office in Zalingei and UNICEF in the process of doing so. Numerous NGOs in the same region (GOAL, MSF, IRC etc.), similar NGO presence in remote areas of S. Darfur. OCHA increasing grade-level of Area Coordinators and protection-related staff.
Address the issue of camp managements as priority	58		HC	OCHA desk	Ongoing	Camp management draft TOR, proposal shared with NGOs and agencies. Following feedback (due COB 9 Nov.) amend and share with HAC. Share with donors (who have been alerted and have expressed interest) by 17 November.
Voice to the international community that violence is the leading cause of mortality in Darfur	58		IASC members		Ongoing	
Involve all humanitarian actors in the planned process for designing new mission for the Sudan	58				Ongoing	
Undertake efforts to advocate for increased funding for Southern Sudan	59	Increased funding of the CAP for Southern Sudan	IASC members	OCHA desk	Ongoing	ERC Jan Egeland visited Rumbek and Maluakon, South Sudan on 4 and 5 March, urging the international community to step up its funding. Jan Egeland's visit was covered by international media.

Agencies to provide input into the Protection Strategy for Darfur and develop a matrix on protection activities	59		IDD	OCHA desk		Presentation to the United Nations Country Team – Sudan: Analysis and Recommendations for Increasing Protection Intervention in the Darfur Region, by Khartoum Protection Steering Group (OCHA, OHCHR, UNDP, UNFPA, UNHCR, IOM) 14 December 2004. Matrices/ overview compiled by the protection working groups in each Darfur state. Protection Steering Group compiling a document outlining the requirements for a comprehensive approach to protection in Darfur, including activities and structural support.
Quick deployment of additional protection staff to Darfur	59	Deployment of protection staff, especially senior experienced staff	IDD	OCHA desk	Ongoing	As of mid February 2005, UNHCR has 25 Protection Officers in Darfur and OHCHR has 20 Human Rights Monitors. UNICEF has 4 Protection officers. Not as much as required. Difficulty is not the money, but qualified profiles.
Ensuring appropriate management and logistical support to the protection staff	59		UNCT		Ongoing	No progress

<b>Training</b>						
Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Development of the Emergency Team Leadership Programme (ETLP)	59		UNHCR/ IASC TF	IASC TF		
Establishment of a steering committee comprised of interested IASC members to address issues such as further development of the ETLP, strategic direction, funding and work plan, once the IASC TF has completed its work	59		UNHCR/ IASC TF			
Provision of institutional home for the ETLP	59		UNHCR			Done

<b>Uganda</b>
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Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success Indicator	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Rapidly further increase staffing levels in Northern Uganda, recognizing that funding constraints should not be the limiting factor to deploying staff in a timely manner. In this respect, agencies were encouraged to explore the use of Central Emergency Revolving Fund (CERF) to facilitate staff deployment.	57	Staffing levels are increased.	IASC members	OCHA desk		<p><u>UNICEF</u>: Posted second Child Protection Officer in Kitgum (int. staff). Recruitment of HIV/AIDS expert finalized - L5 international staff member will start 22nd November, duty station KLa.</p> <p>WatSan Officer (nat.) for north started last week, travels to Gulu 9 November. Logistician was recruited for monitoring of armoured vehicles and started 3 weeks ago. Will recruit 3 protection officers. . Lira Child Protection IPO under recruitment, 3 protection officers waiting for funding.</p> <p>Looking at opening office in Pader and would share premises with OCHA still planned although the date is unknown.</p> <p><u>WHO</u>: Recruited one local staff based in Gulu working over all affected districts. Plans to post, thanks to the Health in Crisis/Rapid Response Group initiative: 3 international staff (team leader, one epidemiologist and one logistician) in Gulu by early 2005.</p> <p><u>FAO</u>: plans to post a national officer in Teso region to oversee the food security situation in a return setting.</p> <p><u>UNHCR</u>: JPO in protection</p> <p><u>OCHA</u>: Head of Information Management Unit was deployed.</p> <p>International Administrative/Finance Officer on board as from 25 October.</p>

					<p>Plan to open offices in Pader (1 int. + 1 nat. staff) and Katakwi: In process of recruiting national staff for Pader – should be on board by 1<sup>st</sup> January 05. Process recruitment of international staff will start as of 1<sup>st</sup> January – same for national staff Katakwi.</p> <p>To recruit IDP Protection Coordinator, based in Kampala, roaming to all field offices. Recruitment to start as soon as ToRs are agreed.</p> <p><u>OHCHR</u>: an international staff has been posted at the end of October in Kampala, working with the office of the RC/HC on all human rights issues and is currently working with the Kampala protection working group.</p> <p><u>UNDP</u> (through BCPR) has posted as from 1<sup>st</sup> November an IDP Advisor for return to the OPM and RC/HC.</p>
Acknowledged need to continue working closely with Government authorities in addressing issues of access, security, and protection of civilians through constant dialogue regarding IHL and humanitarian principles.	57	Continuous work with the Government in the issues of access, security, and protection of civilians.	HC/CT	OCHA desk	HC continues to regularly meet with authorities at the highest level on these issues. The HC and the UNCT are working at consolidating the recommendations agreed upon at the POC workshop, the IDP Policy recommendations and other agencies recommendations.
Acknowledged the difficulties in dialoguing with the LRA, but called for creative ways to do so, including by using other Governments as channels, so that issues of IHL and protection of civilians could be discussed.	57	N/A	N/A		The LRA is not accessible so far for constructive dialogue despite attempts from various stakeholders (UN- ICRC-civil society). Some indirect contacts have been made with the LRA but there is no progress at this stage on guaranteed humanitarian access. Recently the LRA proposed the Gvt. of Uganda to start discussions. The question is followed up.

<p>Need to undertake regular reviews on the use of armed escorts by the Country Team and to ensure dialogue with the broader humanitarian community on this issue to ensure full understanding by all humanitarian actors.</p>	<p>57</p>	<p>Regular reviews on the use of armed escorts are undertaken.</p>	<p>Country Team</p>	<p>OCHA desk</p>	<p><u>Teso</u>: access to all IDP camps without armed escorts for the past 6 months.  <u>Gulu</u>: the UN is still awaiting authority from District Security Committee to access 8 camps in the vicinity of the municipality, without military escorts. From NGO sources, more camps are accessed on a regular basis without escorts following an improvement in security (mainly thanks to the diminution of LRA attacks on camps and LRA ambushes on roads)</p> <p>Kitgum and Pader: UN agencies continue to use military escorts. This remains a tactical decision taken by the DO and SMT in country. A flexible approach has been adopted and the situation is reviewed on a regular basis, in consultation with the Government, respecting the balance between risk management and the need to access the camps.</p> <p>As an alternative to the use of heavy military escorts, which is not appropriate for delivery of NFIs, and prevents sustained implementation and monitoring of programmes such as health and education, water and sanitation and protection, UNICEF has started operating 2 armored vehicles to access the most remote camps with their partners (UN and NGOs). Vehicles are at the moment stationed in Gulu. The most important is to find out whether this enables a longer period of time in the camps compared to the time spent when military is escorting convoys.</p>
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Use and adapt existing inter-agency policy and programming tools on IDPs.	57	Inter-Agency policy and programming tools adapted and used by CT	Country Team	OCHA desk		Ongoing.
Develop the protection strategy and determine which agency takes the lead in coordinating protection efforts as well as ensure strong leadership of protection working groups, including through calling upon IDP Division's offer of protection expertise for a limited time period	57	Strong leadership of the protection working groups ensured.	Country Team and IDD	OCHA desk		UNICEF and OCHA are working together to enhance UN protection capacity and develop a protection strategy with support of IDP Division and in partnership with all stakeholders.
Use of IASC Guidelines on HIV/AIDS in Emergency Settings as tool in programming.	57	IASC Guidelines on HIV/AIDS in Emergency Settings used	IASC WG agencies	OCHA desk		Ongoing. IASC guidelines have been distributed to the UNCT. Development agencies and NGOs working on HIV/AIDS have included a response in the CAP 2005. The Uganda Aids Commission has created a Task Force to deal with HIV/AIDS in the conflict affected districts. OCHA is the co-chair and all partners working in the affected districts will be part of the TF.
Need for continued advocacy to address the issue of small arms trafficking	57	Advocacy on the small arms trafficking continued	IASC agencies and UNDP	OCHA desk		UNDP to assist Government in implementing the National Action Plan on small arms and is advocating for the disarmament and demobilization of ex-rebels, militia and cattle rustlers (in Karamoja).
Continue advocacy on humanitarian crisis in northern Uganda in various political fora, including the Security Council.	57	ERC continues his advocacy on the humanitarian crisis in northern Uganda	ERC and OCHA	OCHA desk		Ongoing
IASC members to be kept informed of any discussions on Northern Uganda in the context of ECHA to ensure complementarity of efforts.	57	IASC members are kept informed	IASC/ECHA Secretariat	OCHA desk		Ongoing. Creation of a Task Force at NY level.

<p>Need for deployment of more protection staff for northern Uganda</p>	<p>58</p>	<p>Greater number of protection officers deployed</p>	<p>IASC Agencies</p>	<p>IDD</p>	<p><u>UNICEF</u> has recently deployed another child protection officer to Kitgum bringing the total to 3 child protection officers in the north as well as a child protection coordinator in Kampala. UNICEF has also agreed to strengthen protection monitoring by hosting 3 ‘protection monitors’ to improve the systematic collection and verification of protection information. As support to the HC and UNCT, the protection monitors, in addition to looking at SGBV and child protection issues, would also look at broader protection issues and violations such as forced displacement, forced labour and restrictions on freedom of movement among IDPs.</p> <p>Following discussions with the HC and UNCT, the <u>IDD</u> has also reiterated its support for the immediate creation of an IDP Protection Coordinator’s post to fortify protection coordination and management among agencies and ensure gaps are being addressed. The Protection Coordinator, working closely with UNICEF, will support the HC and UNCT in strengthening protection advocacy, improving the effectiveness of the Protection Working Groups and ensuring systematic implementation of the recommendations of the recently held Protection of Civilians Workshop.</p> <p>The IDD has actively encouraged donors to fund the three UNICEF Protection Monitor posts as well the OCHA IDP Protection Advisor’s post through the 2005 CAP.</p> <p><u>OHCHR</u> has recently deployed a Senior Human Rights advisor to support the HC.</p>
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**Update on the work of the IASC Subsidiary Bodies**

Action Point	Mtg	Progress / Success	Action	Monitor	Deadline	Status of follow-up
Ensure full complementarity between TF Natural Disasters and TF on Preparedness and Contingency Planning with respect to Work Plan	56	Consistent dialogue between TF on Natural Disasters and Preparedness and Contingency Planning SWG	IASC TF on Natural Disasters	IASC TF on Natural Disasters		Ongoing