

**INTER-AGENCY STANDING COMMITTEE WORKING GROUP
58th MEETING**

**22-23 September 2004
Maurice Pate Conference Room (13th floor)
UNICEF New York**

REVISED ANNOTATED AGENDA

22 September 2004

Wednesday, 22 September 2004

Morning Session

9:30– 10:00 **Welcoming Address**
By Carol Bellamy, UNICEF Executive Director

Opening Remarks
By Yvette Stevens, Chairperson of the IASC-WG

10:00 – 11:30 **Darfur Crisis Response**
*Introduced by Manuel Aranda da Silva, Humanitarian
Coordinator for the Sudan, via telelink from Khartoum*

- Update on key issues and response
- Discussion on critical outstanding issues, such as allocation of sectoral responsibilities, protection, camp management, mission design etc.

11:30 - 12:00 **Coffee**

12:00 – 13:00 **Locusts in Africa**
Introduced by Richard China, FAO

- Update on the current situation
- Discussion on reasons for delayed response
- Discussion and agreement on immediate action to be taken by the IASC members

13:00 – 14:00 **Buffet Lunch hosted by UNICEF**

Afternoon Session

14:00 – 15:30 **From Early Warning to Early Action**
Introduced by Everett Ressler and Carlo Scaramella, Co-Chairs of the IASC SWG on Preparedness and Contingency Planning

a) The IASC Humanitarian Early Warning Service (HEWSweb)

- Presentation of the IASC Humanitarian Early Warning Service (HEWSweb)
- Discussion and feedback on the proposed features of the HEWSweb
- Agreement on the future use of the HEWSweb

b) Early Warning - Early Action Report

- Feedback on the format and content of the report for future improvement
- Feedback on the criteria for selection with recommendations for further improvement
- Discussion and agreement on the follow-up required for inter-agency preparedness actions for the identified regions/countries

15:30 – 16:00

Coffee

16:00 – 17:30

Floods in South Asia

Introduced by A.F.M Obaidur Rahman, Representative of IFRC and Secretary-General of the Bangladesh Red Crescent Society

- Using the recent floods in South Asia, and in particular in Bangladesh as an example, discussion and agreement on ways to achieve a more systematic approach by the IASC members to promote establishment of national disaster preparedness and response plans in disaster prone countries

End the meeting

Reception

Venue: outside the Maurice Pate Conference Room

19:00

Dinner

Venue: Restaurant Cibo, 767 2nd Avenue (41st Str)

Thursday, 23 September 2004

Morning Session

9:00 – 10:30

Discussion on Integrated Missions

Introduced by Mark Bowden, OCHA and Joel McClellan, SCHR

- Update on the joint study on integrated missions by OCHA and DPKO
- Update on the discussion and work done by the ECHA core group
- Discussion on key issues and concerns

10:30 – 11:00

Coffee

11:00 – 12:30

Internally Displaced Persons

Introduced by Dennis McNamara, Inter-Agency Internal Displacement Division

- Briefing on the priorities and activities of the Inter-Agency Internal Displacement Division
- Review and endorsement of the IASC Policy Package “Implementing the Collaborative Response to Situations of Internal Displacement”

12:30 – 13:00

Follow-Up to the ECOSOC Humanitarian Segment

Introduced by Mark Bowden, OCHA

- Identification of key issues requiring follow-up, both by individual actors and by the IASC collectively

13:00 – 14:00

Lunch

Afternoon Session

14:00 – 15:00

Consolidated Appeals Process

Introduced by Toby Lanzer, OCHA

- Discussion on the consistency of appeals in light of the IASC nomenclature and endorsement of the recommendations presented in the background document
- Discussion on the preparations for the launch of the 'Humanitarian Appeal 2005' on 16 November 2004 and the follow-up events

15:00 – 16:00

Good Humanitarian Donorship

Introduced by Magda Ninaber, OCHA

- Discussion and agreement on required preparations by the IASC members for the Second Good Humanitarian Donorship meeting to be held in Ottawa in October

- Update on the current state of progress and planned activities of the Good Humanitarian Donorship Implementation Group (GHDIG)

16:00 – 16:30 **Coffee**

16:30 – 17:30 **AOB**

- a) Spread of Polio in Africa
- b) Discussion on follow-up to IASC-WG decisions