INTER-AGENCY STANDING COMMITTEE WORKING GROUP 29 March 1996, Rome

FOLLOW-UP ON THE MULTI-DONOR STUDY ON RWANDA

BACKGROUND

An information paper providing a summary of the many Recommendations of immediate or indirect interest to humanitarian organisations is attached.

It is proposed that the Working Group meeting agree on an overall strategy which will facilitate

a review of these Recommendations in a time-efficient manner.

It is further proposed that Recommendations which can be addressed in existing inter-agency fora, including the various ECOSOC Working Groups, are identified and a time table developed.

ACTION POINTS

To approve the following allocation of key recommendations to be dealt with. Suggested Inter-agency mechanism or working groups are indicated in italics. One specific additional Task Force will have to be established to address some of the recommendations;

- to Strengthen Human Rights Machinery for Protection (see A5(c))new Task Force to be established; (for 1, 4 and 10).
- on Policy and Funding for Contingency Planning and Preparedness Measures (see A6). *Ecosoc Task Force Working Group on Resource Mobilisation*;
- on Rapid Availability of Recovery Resources (see A7). *Ecosoc Task Force Working Group on Relief, Rehabilitation and Development*
- on Camp Security (see C1) new Task Force to be established (see 1 above)
- on Humanitarian Early Warning (see C2). Inter-Agency Consultation on Mass Flows;
- on Coordination of Humanitarian Assistance (see C3). *Ecosoc Task Force Working Group on Coordination*;
- on Codes of Conduct (see C4). *Ecosoc Task Force Working Group on Evaluation*; on Accountability (see C6). *Ecosoc Task Force Working Group on Evaluation*; on Local Impact (see C7). *Ecosoc Task Force Working Group on Strengthening of Local Capacity*;
- on Operational Guidelines on Food Relief Distribution (see C8). *new Task Force to be established (see 1 above)*

To approve that the following Recommendations are reviewed at the next IASC meeting on 19 April.

- 1. Recommendations for Policy Coherence (between Humanitarian and other dimensions of Complex Emergencies; see A1).
- 2. Recommendations for Effective Action on Genocide (see A2).
- 3. Recommendation concerning a more Effective Early Warning System.
- 4. Recommendation on Conditionality re Human Rights Violations (see B1).