

**INTER – AGENCY STANDING COMMITTEE –WORKING GROUP
50th MEETING**

Follow-up Action Matrix

New York, 18-19 September, 2002

Agenda Item	Action Points	Focal Point for follow-up	Time Frame
1. Introduction	N/A		
2. Overview of Global Humanitarian Activities	N/A		
3. Liberia	<p>IASC-Working Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Called for special attention for resource mobilization for humanitarian need in Liberia given the impact of economic sanctions. ◆ Requested agencies to explore ways for greater visibility for Liberia through for example their Goodwill Ambassadors. ◆ 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. ◆ 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. ◆ Welcomed deployment of a Protection Officer to support the work of the Inter-Agency Protection Working Group. ◆ Encouraged the Country Team to review the role of the LRRRC in the IDP registration process and coordination of resource allocation. ◆ Noted the need for donor support for access negotiations, and expressed its support for the Country Team to mobilize such support. ◆ Acknowledged the usefulness of the experience by the humanitarian community in Liberia in the past to distance 	<p>N/A</p> <p>All agencies</p> <p>UNDP</p> <p>OCHA, HC/Country Team</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>CT/ Protection Coalition</p> <p>All agencies/Country Team</p> <p>N/A</p>	<p>N/A</p> <p>Dec 2002</p> <p>Oct 2002</p> <p>Dec 2002</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Dec 2002</p> <p>Dec 2002</p> <p>N/A</p>

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	<p>the humanitarian community from the political dimension.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Agreed on the need for improved data to measure the extent of IDPs caseload, the need to strengthen common humanitarian information gathering. ◆ Noted the need to follow-up implementation of the Plan of Action of the IASC Taskforce on Sexual Exploitation. 	<p>Country Team and Protection Coalition</p> <p>Protection from Sexual Exploitation Taskforce</p>	<p>Dec 2002</p> <p>Ongoing</p>
<p>4. IDPs: Debriefing by RSG/IDPs on his mission to Turkey and Mexico</p>	<p>IASC-WG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Welcomed the debriefing by RSG/IDPs; ◆ 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; ◆ 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. ◆ 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. 	<p>N/A IDP Unit</p> <p>OCHA</p> <p>RC/HCs</p>	<p>N/A N/A</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p>
<p>5. IDPs: Update on the work of the IDP Unit</p>	<p>The IASC Working Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Endorsed the revised TOR of the Senior IDP Network and the TOR of the Protection Coalition. ◆ Welcomed the work on Colombia and on the Humanitarian Plan of Action. ◆ Expressed support for increased UN presence in priority regions, increased security arrangements, development of modalities for engaging with the armed opposition and raising awareness in Colombia of IDP concerns. ◆ Suggested that the situation in Colombia could be the focus of the November IASC WG meeting's in-depth country review. 	<p>N/A</p> <p>UNHCR, IDP Unit</p> <p>RC, Country Team IDP Unit</p> <p>IASC Secretariat</p>	<p>N/A</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Nov 2002</p>
<p>6 (a). CAP-Preparations for 2003 CAP</p>	<p>The IASC Working Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Confirmed 2003 CAP countries, and agreed on how to proceed with the following outstanding issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <u>Colombia</u>: the IDP Plan will be issued separately from 	<p>N/A</p> <p>OCHA</p>	<p>N/A</p> <p>Nov 2002</p>

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	<p>the CAP launch and may be developed into a CAP for 2004.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <u>Sri Lanka</u>: would not be included in the CAP launch. ◆ <u>Southeastern Europe</u>: would have a summary of the CHAP to be included in the CAP Launch P.I. document. ◆ <u>Tanzania</u>: will be included in the Great Lakes Regional CAP. ◆ <u>Southern Africa Humanitarian Crisis</u>: an update would be included in the CAP Launch. ◆ <u>Republic of Congo</u>: the UN Action Plan would be issued and included in the CAP Launch. ◆ <u>oPt</u>: a CAP like document to be issued at the CAP launch and preparation will be coordinated with LACC. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 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 Indonesia by the Directors of Emergency. 	<p>All agencies</p> <p>OCHA</p>	<p>1 Oct</p> <p>Meeting has been postponed till 22 Oct</p>
6 (b). CAP-2003 CAP Launch	<p>The IASC Working Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Welcomed and reached general consensus on the Public Information Strategy. ◆ Agreed to support CAP launch focal points and the Public Information campaign. 	<p>OCHA</p> <p>Focal Points of Agencies assigned.</p>	<p>Nov 2002</p> <p>Nov 2002</p>
6 (c). CAP-Implementation of the IASC Plan of Action for Strengthening of the CAP	<p>The IASC Working Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 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. 	<p>N/A</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>All agencies</p>	<p>N/A</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Ongoing</p>

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7. Update of the response to the Southern Africa humanitarian crisis with a particular focus on Zimbabwe	The IASC Working Group: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Expressed its support for the possibility of a high-level regional conference. ◆ 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 ◆ Requested the HIV/AIDS Reference Group and UNAIDS to suggest how to strengthen the linkage between humanitarian response and HIV/AIDS issues. ◆ Agreed to review the coordination arrangements throughout the region and to strengthen the capacity of the offices at the regional and national levels. ◆ Expressed its support for backstopping RC/HC Zimbabwe in policy dialogue with the Government of Zimbabwe on NGO registration, IDPs, humanitarian principles. ◆ Expressed its support to the efforts of the Country Team in Zimbabwe for improved information collection, monitoring and verification. ◆ Agreed on the need to strengthen regional and country contingency planning, particularly for Zimbabwe. ◆ Encouraged advocacy and media strategy focussing on the impact of the situation on affected population. 	N/A WFP and UNAIDS RG on HIVAIDS (WHO) OCHA UNCT, IASC Agencies OCHA OCHA, WFP WFP, OCHA	N/A Completed. Nov 2002 Ongoing Ongoing Dec 2002 Dec 2002 Ongoing
8. Northern Caucasus	The IASC Working Group: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 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. ◆ Stressed the importance of co-ordinating various upcoming high-level missions. ◆ Agreed on the establishment of humanitarian presence in Grozny as soon as security conditions allow. ◆ Noted on the need to improve staff security. 	IASC Agencies OCHA OCHA OCHA	Ongoing Nov 2002 Ongoing Ongoing
9. Update on recent development in Sudan	The IASC Working Group: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Agreed on the need for full range of contingency scenarios. 	OCHA	Ongoing

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Encouraged OCHA to follow up on TCHA arrangements in line with proposed timeline of Crossline Committee. ◆ 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. ◆ Agreed on renewed efforts to address the issue of underfunding, and suggested that the OCHA in consultation with the HC and the Country Team prepare an analysis on the sudden funding drop of 2002. 	<p>OCHA</p> <p>IDP Unit</p> <p>OCHA</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>15 Oct</p> <p>Dec 2002</p>
10. Revision of the Terms of Reference (ToR) of Humanitarian Coordinators	<p>The IASC Working Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Welcomed the progress in the revision of the TOR so far and endorsed the proposed way forward. ◆ Agreed that the draft revised TOR be shared with the RC Issues Group before its finalisation. 	<p>N/A</p> <p>OCHA</p>	<p>N/A</p> <p>Nov 2002</p>
11. HC Retreat	<p>The IASC Working Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Reached a preliminary agreement on the format for the retreat and took note of the issues suggested to be included on the agenda. ◆ Agreed that OCHA would revert before finalisation of the agenda. 	<p>N/A</p> <p>OCHA</p>	<p>N/A</p> <p>30 Oct</p>
12. Preparations for IASC Plenary	<p>The IASC Working Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Agreed on the format of the IASC Plenary meeting consisting of a limited number of agenda items. ◆ Requested the IASC Secretariat to poll IASC members to see which items were favoured for 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 	<p>N/A</p> <p>IASC Secretariat</p> <p>IOM, ICVA, Interaction, SCHR and ICRC/IFRC</p> <p>IASC Secretariat</p>	<p>N/A</p> <p>Completed.</p> <p>Request sent 27 Sept</p> <p>15 Oct</p>

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13. Progress Report on IASC Taskforce on Protection from Sexual Exploitation	<p>The IASC Working Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 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. ◆ Asked that the Task Force to continue discussion on the plan of action with DPKO. ◆ Agreed that the task force mission's would be joint inter-agency missions (West Africa, other locations to be confirmed). 	<p>N/A</p> <p>IASC Taskforce</p> <p>IASC Taskforce</p>	<p>N/A</p> <p>Dec 2002</p> <p>Nov 2002</p>
14. Follow up to the 2002 ECOSOC Humanitarian Segment	<p>The IASC Working Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Agreed to have the ECOSOC 2003 report preparations discussed at the November 2002 IASC WG meeting. ◆ Acknowledged the work of the informal group on protection of civilians and supported the plan to hold regional protection of civilians workshops. ◆ 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. 	<p>N/A</p> <p>OCHA</p> <p>UNDP</p>	<p>N/A</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Dec 2002</p>
15. Strengthening the effectiveness of the IASC	<p>The IASC Working Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 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. ◆ Requested that the recommendations of the 2000 to be circulated to IASC WG members. 	<p>IASC Secretariat</p> <p>IASC Secretariat</p>	<p>Nov 2002</p> <p>Completed.</p>
16. Proposal for an IASC Review	<p>The IASC Working Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 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 	<p>OCHA, All agencies</p>	<p>Feb 2003</p>

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17. AOB: Preparation for the IASC-WG meeting in November	<p>The IASC Working Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 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. ◆ Requested the IASC Secretariat to collect feedback from the IASC members on the choice of the agenda items. 	<p>N/A</p> <p>IASC Secretariat</p>	<p>N/A</p> <p>Completed.</p>