

**INTER-AGENCY STANDING COMMITTEE WORKING GROUP
52nd MEETING**

12-13 March 2003

**FAO Headquarters, Rome
Philippine Room (C277)**

DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA

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Wednesday, 12 March 2003

Afternoon Session

14:00 – 14:15 **Welcoming Address to the 52nd Meeting of the IASC-WG**
By Mr. David Harcharik, Deputy Director-General, FAO

14:15 – 14:30 **Review of the Global Humanitarian Situation and Follow-up of the 51st IASC-WG**
By Ross Mountain (Chairman of the IASC-WG)

14:30 – 15:45 **Southern Africa Crisis**
Introduced by Deborah Crowe, Regional Director Southern Africa, SC UK and Richard Mawer, Director Food Security and Livelihoods Unit, SC UK on behalf of SCHR followed by an introduction by Judith Lewis, Regional Coordinator of the SG's Special Envoy for Humanitarian Needs in Southern Africa

Expected outcomes:

- Identification of gaps and strategies to strengthen regional humanitarian response and humanitarian coordination
- Agreement by the IASC members to review the appropriateness of their development and emergency operations in light of the HIV/AIDS crisis in the region
- Agreement on concrete ways to ensure better assessment, analysis and understanding of the vulnerabilities resulting from food insecurity and HIV/AIDS pandemic
- Agreement to ensure close cooperation in the response to the crisis between national governments, civil society, SADC and the international community
- Agreement on a clear coordination mandates between RC/HCs locally and RIACSO regionally

15:45 – 16:00

Coffee

16:00 – 17:15

Horn of Africa

Introduced by Simon Nhongo (RC/HC of Eritrea Country Team) and Samuel Nyambi (RC/HC of Ethiopia Country Team) linked to the meeting via teleconference

Expected outcomes:

- Review of the existing humanitarian response and recovery strategies addressing the underlining causes of the chronic food insecurity
- Agreement on concrete steps for ensuring effective transition from humanitarian response to recovery
- Agreement on joint strategy for advocating for early and adequate donor response to meet the immediate humanitarian needs as well as requirements for recovery

17:15 – 18:30

HIV/AIDS in Emergency Settings

Introduced by Lianne Kuppens (Chair of the IASC Task Force on HIV/AIDS in Emergency Settings)

Expected Outcomes:

- Support to the Draft Advocacy Strategy
- Support to ongoing processes to finalize the Matrix and Action Sheets
- Endorsement of the structure and timeframe for the finalization of the Guidelines

Thursday, 13 March

Morning Session

9:00 – 10:30

Iraq

Introduced by (TBC)

10:30 – 10:45

Coffee

10:45 – 11:45

Contingency Planning

Introduced by Carlo Scaramella/Everett Ressler (co-chairs of the IASC Task Force on Inter-Agency Contingency Planning)

Expected Outcomes:

- Endorsement of 2003 Workplan
- Review Lessons Learned on Iraq Contingency Planning

- 11:45 – 12:45 **Humanitarian Information Centers**
Introduced by Pablo Recalde (OCHA)
- Expected Outcomes:
- Endorsement of the HIC concept
 - Endorsement of the Statement of Intent
 - Agreement to nominate focal points for HIC-related matters.
- 12:45 – 14:00 **Lunch**
- 14:00 – 15:00 **Training**
Introduced by Alan Vernon (Chair of the IASC Task Force on Training)
- Expected Outcome:
- Endorsement of the 2003 Workplan
- 15:00 – 16:00 **IDPs**
Introduced by John Rogge and Guillermo Bettochi (IDP Unit) and Mark Bowden (OCHA/PDSB)
- Expected Outcomes:
- Agreement on the recommendations outlined in the DRC mission report
 - Support to finalize the Guidance Note on the Collaborative Approach
 - Support to the IDP Response Matrix and Protection Survey
 - Discussion and comments on the draft TOR of the external review of the IDP Unit
- 16:00 – 16:30 **Coffee**
- 16:30 – 17:30 **CAP**
Introduced by Magda Ninaber van Eyben (OCHA)
- Expected Outcomes:
- Endorsement of the Nomenclature Paper
 - Endorsement of the CAP SWG 2003 Workplan
 - Commitment to Humanitarian Financing Studies
 - Discussion on the follow-up to Montreaux IV recommendations
- 17:30 – 18:30 **AOB**

1. Update on the MCDA Guidelines on the Use of MCDA in Complex Emergencies (*Introduced by Mark Bowden, OCHA/PDSB*)
2. Next steps in discussion on Military/Humanitarian Interface (*Introduced by UNICEF*)
3. Next steps in follow-up to the Emergency Response Meeting (*Introduced by RCB/OCHA*)
4. IASC Management Issues (*Introduced by Kirsi Madi, IASC Secretariat*)
 - Preparations for the IASC Principals Meeting in April
 - Dates for the IASC-WG Meeting in November