

IASC TASK TEAM ON THE HUMANITARIAN DEVELOPMENT NEXUS (HDN TT)

WITH A FOCUS ON PROTRACTED EMERGENCIES

Summary Record and Action Points

12TH OCTOBER 2016: 13.00-15.30

VENUE: ENVIRONMENT HOUSE

In Geneva: UNHCR, WFP, UNICEF, FAO, OHCHR, IOM, IASC Secretariat

On the phone: OCHA, FAO

Co-chairs: UNDP and WHO

Agenda Item 1: Approval of Summary Report from 4th Meeting: Besides a small typographical error pointed out by UNICEF, the summary report from the 4th meeting was approved.

Agenda Item 2: Approval of Task Team Terms of Reference (ToRs):

Introduction (Co-chairs, UNDP): Following discussions with OCHA, the co-chairs revised the draft ToRs that had already been approved by the rest of the TT. The main changes to the text revolve around the sequencing of the objectives set out in the ToRs. To this end additional narrative was inserted to show a logical progression from normative analysis to concrete guidance proposals, building in flexibility to revisit each step should we, the TT, deem in necessary (or not) to adapt existing protocols or to develop new ones. It also includes some verbatim language from the WHS and other relevant SG reports.

Discussion: With no additional comments noted during the discussion, the Terms of Reference of the Task Team was approved.

ACTION: Co-chairs to correct Summary Report with corrected typo and resend to the group (**COMPLETED**)

ACTION: Co-chairs to disseminate finalized approved version of the Terms of Reference of the Task Team to the group (**COMPLETED**).

Agenda Item 3: Joint Retreat – IASC Perspective, on the retreat Concept Note, Draft Agenda, and Background documents:

Introduction (Co-chairs, WHO): Ahead of the joint retreat between the HDN TT and the UN Working Group on Transitions (WGT), the co-chairs presented the draft agenda and concept note, walking through each agenda item and the relevant background documents that had been developed by the planning group. The co-chairs briefly presented the Peace Paper; and the draft paper on typologies. The aim of this session was to garner some consensus on an IASC perspective, and have an early discussion on the joint analysis, collective outcomes, joint planning in light of the 5 proposed typologies of response scenarios drafted by the co-chairs. A

discussion was also held on what IASC agencies would want to see reflected in a road map for implementing the HDN.

FAO: noted that the typologies was a good organizing principle on which to base a conversation that has participants from diverse backgrounds. The simple format allows people to distance themselves from an agency perspective and tackle the issues of joint planning, analysis etc from a context perspective.

UNHCR: In relation to the work that UNHCR is currently doing on modelling contexts, they would be interested to see what participants think about indicators that would need to be triggered for contexts to move from one typology to the other based on contextual factors, but also based on how we affect the situation through our interventions.

OCHA: Second the comments from FAO in that the typologies are a good foundation for conversation. But it would be useful to clarify some situations are so complex that they might engender multiple types at the same time. The other element is to bring back the people centred approach – to see how these scenarios affected populations, and how do they participate.

FAO: It is important that we ensure that the right people come to the retreat. We need to attract people who are actually working on analysis and planning.

UNICEF: While it is essential to have people at the technical level be present, the representation from those who will take the work forward through the TT and the WGT will also be essential, for the sake of continuity.

UNDP: One of the major outputs of the retreat is going to be a roadmap for action and implementation. Recognizing that we cannot just have a workshop simply to discuss these issues, there is a strong urge from the planning group that this workshop produces some concrete recommendations and options for change. At this stage there is a draft road map which includes, a communications strategy, and aspirational section, an HQ led process to develop guidance and messaging, and a field level implementation.

OCHA: We should move away from the concept of joint planning. Instead we should be using the typologies to understand moments where possible, planning processes can be aligned, synchronized adapted so that we have a more ‘joined’ up approach without necessarily having a single plan as the outcome of the process. In addition if we are going to look at collective outcomes, we need to be attentive to the need for joint monitoring.

IOM, OCHA, UNHCR and WFP provide input into the background paper on typologies.

ACTION: Co-chairs to adapt typologies paper before the retreat (**COMPLETED**)

ACTION: Co-chairs to disseminate finalized approved version of the Terms of Reference of the Task Team to the group (**COMPLETED**).