

GENERAL FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT

between
THE UNITED NATIONS WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME (WFP)

and
THE FLEMISH GOVERNMENT

2012-2014

1. Objective

The objective of this framework agreement shall be to support the actions of WFP which are aimed at food assistance oriented towards the objective of eradicating hunger and poverty. In this way Flanders acknowledges WFP as a strategic partner in achieving the specific target within Millenium Development Goal 1 to halve by 2015 the proportion of people who suffer from hunger. Flanders thus endorses the overarching goals of WFP:

- To use food aid to support economic and social development;
- To meet refugee and other emergency food needs, and the associated logistics support; and
- To promote world food security in accordance with the recommendations of the United Nations and FAO
- To reduce dependency and to support governmental and global efforts to ensure long term solution to the hunger challenge.

2. Elements of cooperation

Roles and responsibilities

For the purpose of the cooperation WFP shall:

- register and report the resources provided by Flanders as revenue in its accounts, and shall administer the contributions and activities financed with these resources in conformity with the Financial Rules & Regulations of WFP;
- subject the financed activities to the internal and external audit procedures as laid down in the Financial Rules & Regulations of WFP;
- justify at the annual session of the Executive Board the use of the multilateral funds and country contributions within the framework of its global financial reporting system to the member states and the donor community. Where possible, WFP shall indicate for which specific projects or activities the Flemish contributions have been used.
- submit one overall annual report on the work of WFP in general, within the framework of its overall reporting responsibilities to the members of the Executive Board;
- submit the relevant Standard Project Reports, within the framework of its overall reporting responsibilities to the members of the Executive Board;

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- submit a copy of the WFP Annual Financial Statement by the External Auditor to the Flemish Government in accordance with the regular cycle, i.e. every year;
- submit a financial statement of the contribution of the Flemish Government, including an indication of the programmes the Flemish budget is used for, issued by the WFP Financial Unit; and
- make due mention of the support of the Flemish Government to its activities in relevant publications and reports.

The Flemish Government in its turn shall:

- strengthen its support to the fight for food security and the eradication of hunger in Southern Africa, in line with the priorities set out in the Policy Paper on Foreign Policy, International Enterprise and Development Cooperation for the period 2009-2014;
- follow up the annual progress of the implementation of the country programmes of WFP in Malawi and Mozambique;
- pay an annual contribution to WFP consisting of two parts: (1) an annual contribution for the multilateral fund of EUR 200,000 as per the chart below and (2) an annual contribution for the implementation of the programmes in Malawi and Mozambique.

The budget for the implementation of the programmes in Malawi and Mozambique will go, when relevant and possible, to actions to support nutrition. Nutrition is a theme that is mainstreamed throughout WFP projects, and an important focus of the work of the Flemish government in both partner countries.

The aid for the entire implementation period of this General Framework Agreement shall be estimated at a total of EUR 3 million. The annual breakdown between multilateral fund and contributions for country programmes shall be planned as follows:

Implementation year	Country contributions		Multilateral fund	Total
	Malawi	Mozambique		
2012	400,000 €	400,000 €	200,000 €	1,000,000 €
2013	400,000 €	400,000 €	200,000 €	1,000,000 €
2014	400,000 €	400,000 €	200,000 €	1,000,000 €
total:	2,400,000 €		600,000 €	3,000,000 €

Communication

WFP and the Flemish Government undertake to maintain open and effective channels of communication.

Dialogue between the WFP and the Flemish Government will continue between the WFP Liaison Office in Brussels and country offices of WFP, and representatives of FICA in Brussels and in Southern Africa.

Monitoring and review

WFP and Flanders shall commit to further establishing a solid evaluation culture in order to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of their cooperation. To this end the following steps shall be taken:

- WFP shall focus on the effectiveness of its cooperation efforts and the impact thereof at the level of the 2 selected countries when evaluating this General Framework Agreement together with the Flemish Government. Flanders shall commit to acting in line with the relevant internal and joint external monitoring and evaluation exercises of the operations of WFP at the global, regional and national levels.
- In view of a possible review of the cooperation in terms of content in keeping with this General Framework Agreement, this will be discussed between the Flemish Government and WFP.

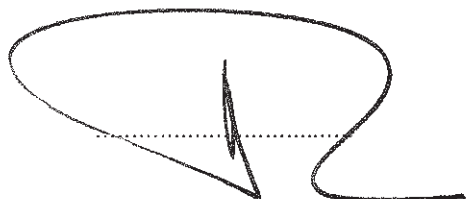
3. Amendment and duration

- This General Framework Agreement can be amended by means of a written agreement signed by both parties.
- This General Framework Agreement shall cover a three-year period, which shall last from 1 January 2012 to 31 December 2014.
- This General Framework Agreement shall not be an international treaty. Any discussion about the interpretation or application of this Agreement shall be settled by both Parties through mutual dialogue and reconciliation.

Both parties accept the above terms of the General Framework Agreement.

Signed on behalf of
the Flemish Government

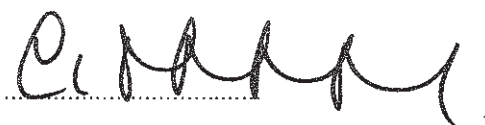
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Signed on behalf of
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