

Country¹ & Project No.: Central Africa Republic & SO 10620.0**B/R No.: 2****@.....****BUDGET REVISION OF SO FOR THE APPROVAL OF REGIONAL DIRECTOR**

	<u>Initials</u>	<u>In Date</u>	<u>Out Date</u>	<u>Reason For Delay</u>
<u>ORIGINATOR</u>				
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Director, FLB
Director, OMI (<i>ICT operations only</i>)
Director, OML
<u>APPROVAL</u>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Regional Director

PROJECT	Previous Budget	Revision	New Budget
Total WFP cost (US\$)	US\$4,732,779	US\$ 1,166,796	US\$ 5,899,575

<u>TYPE OF REVISION</u>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Additional DSC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Additional ODOC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension in time	<input type="checkbox"/> Change in project orientation
<input type="checkbox"/> Other			

<u>NATURE OF REVISION:</u> WFP's SO 10620.0 enhances the logistics capacity in Central Africa Republic (CAR), mainly through a dedicated fleet that delivers WFP food and also serves other humanitarian partners. Due to the increasing transport needs already reported, WFP will have to, in addition to maintaining the current fleet management, provide additional truck capacity. Specifically the extension of this SO until the end of 2008, allows the fleet management, the maintenance of the actual trucks fleet, the increase of the fleet capacity through the purchase of 10 additional trucks and the enhancement the workshop facilities in Kaga Bandoro, Paoua and Birao. Adjustment is also being made to reflect the completion of the road assessment survey in April 2008 . <u>JUSTIFICATION FOR THE REVISION:</u> CAR suffers from derelict infrastructure, there is a lack of secondary transport and roads are not maintained. During the rainy season, road access is not possible to many locations, while the security situation remains volatile in the North of the country. The country transport capacity is limited due to the insecurity and the lack of appropriate trucks. WFP fleet is carrying out most of WFP's secondary transport and covering also inter-agency transport demand. Humanitarian partners in

¹ If a regional project, please specify the countries concerned

CAR are reporting an increasing transport demand through the UN Logistics Cluster. Trucks are already allocated by WFP to NGOs, such as Action Contre la Faim (ACF), Triangle and Solidarite and are essential to complete the deliveries. Humanitarian needs are also increasing in areas extremely difficult to access in the East, such as Sam Ounaja . Under these circumstances, where the private sector capacity is very weak and unable to respond to all needs, the only option to secure the humanitarian operations is to strengthen the WFP fleet with additional new trucks and to refurbish the current fleet.

Components of the revision:

1.- Extend the ongoing operation to finalise and enhance the set up of the logistics bases to facilitate the humanitarian relief efforts. Workshops for light maintenance are under construction in Paoua, Birao and Kaga Bandoro. Additional warehouses will be finalised in Paoua, Birao and Sam Ouanga in order to ease the prepositioning of goods before the rainy season.

2.- Strengthen further WFP's fleet. The fleet manager position budgeted under this SO will be extended until the end of the year. The existing WFP fleet (25 DAF trucks purchased from Sudan Operation) will be maintained to ensure all trucks are operational. In addition, 10 additional DAF trucks will be purchased second hand from Netherlands, to maintain a standard and efficient configuration of the fleet.

The WFP Head of Logistics in CAR will continue to serve as a Project Manager for this operation. The Country Director will act as the funds manager for the operation and the Head of Finance will undertake funds allotment operations.

As to monitoring and evaluation, a compliance and cost effectiveness mission with support from OML will take place during the project implementation to ensure a proper application of WFP standard rules and practices.

In order to evaluate the project, the following indicators will be applied:

- percentage of actual deliveries versus requirements
- number of delivery points reached
- actual tonnage delivered per month versus projected tonnage
- cost per tonne/km transported
- number of agencies and organisations utilizing the fleet
- number of agencies and organisations participating in the cluster meetings
- number of spot improvements to increase passage
- km of damaged road repair

CAR being a forgotten and under-funded emergency, this operation could benefit from a CERF funds and the Country Office will actively pursue this source of funding.. Request for ERF funding at the Country level is also being pursued.. Other donors like ECHO have already confirmed their interest, as well and efforts are being pursued to mobilize more, including from private .

With this extension of Special Operation 10620.0, WFP hopes to contribute to an overall augmentation of logistics capacity in CAR, thereby supporting the larger humanitarian community responding to the needs of the beneficiaries.

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