Republic of Congo EMOP 200095 B/R No.: 01

BUDGET REVISION FOR THE APPROVAL OF REGIONAL DIRECTOR

		<u>Initials</u>		In Date	Out Date	Reason For Delay
ORIGINATOR						1 of Delay
Country Office or Regional Bureau on behalf of Country Office			·····			
CLEARANCE						
Programme Officer, RMBP						
Chief, RMBP						
Chief, RMBB		•••••				
Chief, ODLT (change in LTSH an External Transport)	d/or					
APPROVAL						
Regional Director						
PROJECT: 200095						
	Previous Budge	t	Revisio	n	New Budget	
Food cost	US\$ 5,853,745		US\$ 7	97,901	US\$ 6,651,646	
External transport	US\$ 1,131,323		US\$ 2		US\$ 1,357,571	
LTSH	US\$ 6,425,514		US\$1,1		US\$ 7,554,371	
ODOC	US\$ 208,996		US\$ 1		US\$ 351,996	
DSC	US\$ 1,098,812		US\$ 1		US\$ 1,277,330	
ISC (7%)	US\$ 1,030,287		US\$ 1		US\$ 1,203,504	
Total WFP cost (US\$)	US\$15,748,677		US\$2,6	47,741	US\$18,396,418	
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TYPE OF REVISION						
 □ Additional commodity □ Additional DSC □ Additional external transport □ Extension in tin 			⊠ Add	litional ODOC er	Additional I	LTSH

NATURE OF THE INCREASE

- 1. This budget revision is to:
 - Extend the duration of the project by 1 month (from 1 July, 2010 31 July, 2010).
 - Increase the food requirements by 1,815mt mixed commodities valued at US\$ 797,901.
 - Increase associated costs: external transport; landside transport, storage and handling (LTSH); other direct operating costs (ODOC) and direct support costs (DSC) all valued US\$ 1,676,623.
 - Increase indirect support costs by US\$ 173,217.

JUSTIFICATION FOR EXTENSION-IN-TIME AND/OR BUDGET INCREASE

Summary of existing project activities

- 1. As a result of inter-ethnic violence in Equateur Province in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), an estimated 84,000 Congolese crossed the Ubangui River into the Republic of Congo. Displaced populations settled in sites along a 200 km stretch of the Ubangui River covering 5 districts of Likouala Province in the extreme north of the Republic of Congo. A first mass influx began at the end of October 2009 and accelerated in November 2009 as the security situation in DRC further deteriorated. Eighty four percent of the displaced people are women and children under five.
- 2. Likouala Province is one of the poorest areas of the country. It is a food deficit area, poorly linked to markets. The local population is dependent mostly on subsistence farming (contributing to 35 percent of household food consumption) and trading activities on the Ubangui River between DRC and the Republic of Congo (contributing to 38 percent of the household food consumption). According to the preliminary findings of the latest comprehensive food security and vulnerability assessment (CFSVA), 5 percent of the population is food insecure or vulnerable.
- 3. EMOP 200095 was approved in order to assist 94,000 beneficiaries among whom 10,000 are targeted in the host community. Food assistance was planned to be provided through general food distribution and supplementary feeding targeting moderately malnourished children between 6-59 months. Due to the late arrival of food, supplementary feeding component has not been implemented.
- 4. The relief operation is logistically complex and expensive, as the region can be reached only by plane or boat. Transportation of food from Douala to Likouala region is very expensive as it was planned that Douala should be the discharged port of 75 % of food purchased in international market for this operation. Dispatch of food to the FDPs is fuel consuming as WFP and partners rely heavily on river transportation.

Conclusion and recommendation of the re-assessment

5. The refugees are not ready to return due to concerns over persisting insecurity. They are increasing in number estimated at even double the host population. The midyear review of the 2010 UN CAP has recommended an extension for humanitarian assistance under this EMOP from 6 to 12 months. The 1 month extension in time of EMOP 200095 will enable ample time to process a five month EMOP document.

Purpose of extension and/or budget increase

6. During the one month extension, the project focus and implementation plan will remain the same.

TABLE 1. BENEFICIARIES BY ACTIVITY TYPE						
	Beneficiaries					
Activity	Present	Increase	Revised			
General food dsitribution	94,000	16,000	110,000			
Supplementary feeding programme	3,500	0	3,500			
Total	94,000	16,000	110,000			

FOOD REQUIREMENTS

7. Additional food will be required for both the general food and Supplementary feeding rations will remain the same as in the original project for the duration of this budget revision.

TABLE 2. FOOD REQUIREMENTS BY ACTIVITY TYPE

	Food distribution (mt)						
Activity	Present	Increase	Revised				
General food dsitribution	10,970	1,815	12,785				
Supplementary feeding programme	50	0	50				
Total	11,020	1,815	12,835				

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