

WFP Central African Republic SPECIAL OPERATION SO (10562.0)

Country:	Central African Republic (CAR)
Type of project:	Special Operation
Title:	Provision of safe, efficient and sufficient air transport services to the humanitarian community in Central African Republic
Total cost (US\$):	US\$ 461,000
Duration:	3 months (25 October 2006 – 24 January 2007)

Abstract

The deteriorating security situation in the Central African Republic (CAR) and the region as such has resulted in restrictions for relief workers to travel safely and thereby partially preventing the humanitarian community from fulfilling its tasks. Thus, it is envisaged that an air transport service is established to provide a safe and efficient mode of transport for humanitarian staff and donors within the region.

WFP will organize such an air transport service covering the locations of Bangui, Bouar, Bozoum, Paoua, Bossangoa, Markounda, Batangafo, Kabo, Ndélé, Birao, Obo, Zémio, Bangassou and in neighbouring countries as requested by the relevant entities.

WFP will charter an aircraft (C208) for 3 months to serve the transport needs of the humanitarian community. Humanitarian actors utilizing this service will be charged US\$ 100 irrespective of the destination to partly cover some of the expenses of this project and to avoid abuse of the service.

1. Project Background

The deteriorating security situation resulting from acts of banditry, increased presence of militants hostile to the current regime, foreign militants and armies is further compounded by the proliferation of small arms. These security events have now reached such a level that relief workers in the region can no longer travel safely by road to reach their areas of operations.

Furthermore, the recent murder of two Central African doctors by bandits while on official mission on vehicle belonging to UNICEF highlights this situation and the mounting staff transport difficulties the humanitarian community is facing in CAR. In order to reach beneficiaries, the UN staff has to travel with heavily armed military escorts, which strongly limit the

efficiency and quality of the humanitarian actors' efforts in reaching the beneficiaries.

To adequately provide emergency assistance and assessing the needs within the country, a sufficient transport set-up needs to be in place. CAR is a large country, (larger than France), and has an extremely poor infrastructure. With the onset of the rainy season in June 2006, many roads were closed as they have not been maintained further hampering access to beneficiaries.

2. Project Justification

Consequently, air travel is crucial to the provision of an effective and timely humanitarian response to internally displaced persons, and host populations in the whole of the Central African Republic.

In addition, given the lack of adequate medical facilities and the instability in CAR and in the region, such as turmoil in Chad and troubled elections in DRC, the air service would also be used for medical and security evacuations.

3. Project Objective(s)

- To provide efficient air transport services to humanitarian agencies and donor representatives in Central African Republic;
- To carry out staff medical and security evacuations.

4. Project Implementation

- The Country Director will act as the Funds Manager for the SO and Finance Officer as Allotment Administrator for the SO;
- Upon receipt of confirmation of the available funding, WFP Aviation Unit will contract and position an aircraft C208 for 3 months.
- WFP Aviation Unit will nominate a Chief Air Transport Officer (CATO) to manage the operation locally;
- CATO will provide the operational reports to the Aviation Unit as well as to the Funds Manager.
- A nominal booking fee of US\$100 per passenger irrespective of destination will be introduced from the beginning of this project. This will reduce abuse of this service as witnessed elsewhere when a free service is provided and funds used to support same project.

5. Project Cost & Benefits

- 800,000 vulnerable Central Africans will benefit from the support of humanitarian community in DRC.
- It is estimated that WFP Humanitarian Air Services will offer services to about 1500 people (humanitarian workers) for the duration of this project.

6. Monitoring & Evaluation

- o No. of passengers transported against planned monthly average
- o Average cost per passenger transported against planned figure
- o Utilization of available aircraft capacity
- o No. of agencies utilizing the service

RECOMMENDATION

APPROVAL

This Special Operation covering the period from 25 October 2006 to 24 January 2007 at a total cost to WFP of US\$ 461,008 is recommended for approval by the Senior Deputy Executive Director, under the Executive Director's delegated authority.

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Air Operators	US\$/Block Hour	Total Block Hour/Month	Total MGH US\$/Month	Total Fuel US\$/Month	Nav/Land/Parking/P ass/Cargo handling	eal .	Contract	No. of Months	Total Air Charter Contract US\$	Remarks
ТВА	700.00	100	70,000.00	25,000.00	13,300.00	11,130.00	119,430.00	3	358,290.00	

100MGH / Month

US\$ 700 x 100 MGH/month = \$ 70,000.00 x 3 months =

\$ 210,000.00 Aircraft Contract

US\$ 200ltrs/hour x 100 hours/month = Ltrs 20,000/month x US\$ 1.25/Ltr = US\$ 25,000.00 X 3 Months =

\$ 75,000.00 Fuel

Navigation/Land./Park./Pass/Cargo Handling = US\$ 13,300.00/month x 3 months

\$ 39,900.00

Air Crew Acc/Transp/Meal US\$11,130.00/month x 3 months

\$ 33,390.00

\$ 358,290.00

Project Type:	SO
Recipient Country:	CAR
Project Number:	10562.0
Duration (months):	3.0
Start Date:	01-Oct-2006
End Date:	31-Dec-2006

Total US\$

DIRECT OPERATIONAL COSTS (DOC)	\$	364,552
DIRECT SUPPORT COSTS (DSC)	\$	66,297
	*	10,201
TOTAL WFP DIRECT COSTS	\$	430,849
INDIRECT SUPPORT COSTS (ISC) 7%	\$	30,159
TOTAL WFP COSTS	\$	461,008

 $[\]underline{\it 1/}$ This format should also be used for Project Budget Plan Revisions.

The ISC rate may be amended by the Executive Board during the Project's life.

 $[\]underline{2}\!/$ Please adapt your planning according to the Project Document (duration of the project).

 $[\]underline{\it 3/}$ This worksheet includes total amounts for all years.

 $[\]underline{4}$ / The ISC is indicated here to provide a picture of the overall WFP costs even though they are not Project Costs per se.

Staff and Staff-Related Costs		Year 1
551010	International Consultants (incl. Travel)	-
551020	National Consultants	-
551030	Temporary Assistance	-
551040	UNVs	-
552000	Non-WFP Staff Training	-
553000	Travel	-
	Subtotal	-

Recurring E	Expenses	Year 1
554010	Rental of Facility	500
554020	Utilities General	150
554030	Office Supplies & Materials (incl TC/ITsup)	750
554040	Communications and IT Services	800
554050	Insurance	-
554060	Equipment Repair and Maintenance	250
554070	Vehicle Maintenance and Running Costs	250
558100	Contracted Services	358,290
554090	Other Office Expenses	1,562
	Subtotal	362,552

Equipment & Capital Costs Yea		Year 1
555010	Agricultural Tools and Equipment	-
555020	Kitchen & Canteen Material and Equipment	-
555030	Health Related Material and Equipment	-
555050	Building Material	-
555060	Vehicles	500
555070	TC/IT Equipment	1,000
555080	Other Tools, Material and Equipment	500
	Subtotal	2,000

364,552	TOTAL OTHER DIRECT OPERATIONAL COSTS
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^{1/} Planned costs should be included for ODOC items that are relevant to the SO.

I. Plan Overview

This special Operation is expected to sustain air passenger services and medical evacuation in Central a support of the entire humanitarian community and WFP operations under both PRRO 10189.1 (covering -CAR-) and DEV 10361.0 in CAR (targing more than 130,000 beneficiaries).

II. Direct Operational Costs

Provision has been made for operating costs in C.A.R., including rental,utilities, vehicles maintenance an Others contracted services is made up of :

Aircraft charter costs

Contract cost for one Caravan C208B with Minimum Guaranted Flying Hours of 80 per month and also A We have included the necessary provision for War Risk Insurance.

And necessary local payment to pilots when they over night in cities where the aircraft is not based, such Special Aviation Account (SAA)

We have made the necessary provision for Head Quarters SAA which oversee Air Transport Activities for Humanitaria. The calculation is based on the flat rate per hour of 35 USD times the estimated number of flying hours full Costs

Is based on the estimated number of flying hours for the three month period times the fuel cost per liter (ϵ hour of 200>

Fuel in Drums costs

Provision has been made for the procurement of 50 drums,01 fuel pump and rental for fuel store and tran ICT /TC costs

Provision has been made for the procurement of new ICT TC equipment.

Other equipment costs

We have included a provision for the purchase of metal detectors and general office equipment necessar insurance costs

this amount is made up of insurance for vehicle and a portion for office insurance ,War Risk insurance (W We would expect some slight cost recoveries (100 USD as booking fees per Pax) however this is at pres-

III. Direct Support Costs

A professional air operational manager (CATO) at the country office to oversee the operations has been And also for CO a provision has been made for an Air movement assistant and one travel dispatch agen All booking operations will be done in Bangui. The head of Sub-office at destination will help for passenge Travel expenditures includes a provision for 02 month DSA in Bangui for the Chief Air Transport officer (Country of the Chief Air Transport officer).

IV. Overall Budget Justification

Costs includes the chartering of the Caravan 208B aircraft as well as funds for fuel and landing fees. Direct support Costs cover WFP staff, while Direct costs are covering vehicle maintenance ,communicat

african republic in 204,000 beneficiaries in Central African Republic
ıd communications costs.
dditional flying hours of 20 per month.
as Bambari,Bouar or Bangassou.
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estimated at 01 USD).and the average liters consumption per
nsport to Bangassou planned as refuelling point to reach M'boki where HCR ,MSF and others local NGOs are opera
ry for three month.
VRI) is included under contracted services. ent expected to be very minimal.
included. it. ers check in and boarding .Incentives are made up of hazard pay and R&R based on the current UNSECOORD se CATO).
ion ICT and safety costs.