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**IMMEDIATE RESPONSE EMERGENCY OPERATION  
UZBEKISTAN, EMOP 200159,  
Support to Refugees in Uzbekistan  
PROJECT DOCUMENT**

**PART 1: INFORMATION NOTE**

**NATURE OF EMERGENCY:** Refugee movement from Kyrgyzstan to Uzbekistan (where WFP currently has no presence / operations).

**1. Location:** Andijan Province, East Uzbekistan (bordering Kyrgyzstan), Central Asia.

**2. Cause:** Movement of refugees fleeing civil unrest and interethnic violence in the cities and oblasts of Osh, Jalalabat and their surrounding areas, Kyrgyzstan.

**3. Effects:** Following the rise in tension and consequent violence, an estimated 75,000 ethnic Uzbeks living in Kyrgyzstan have fled their homes for the safety of Uzbekistan. More are waiting at the border to cross but transit is slow with the Uzbek authorities closing and opening the crossing points citing their inability to cope with the influx.

The refugees are mainly women and children and have brought no/few personal possessions with them having left their homes in a hurry. They are now living in 7-9 temporary camps and various accommodation centres in and around the settlements of Fergana, Namangan, Qorasuv, Prakhtabad, Jalajuduk, Mahalla and Andijan in Andijan province, Uzbekistan. They are mainly women and children.

**4. Total numbers affected and in need of emergency food aid:** Different sources quote different numbers of refugees, though UNHCR<sup>1</sup> estimates that 75,000 refugees had crossed the border into Uzbekistan before they closed on 14 June 2010 with tens of thousands more waiting to cross. While WFP therefore expects to adopt a planning figure of 100,000 for programme purposes, given the IR EMOP budget limit, this proposal envisages assisting the 75,000 refugees already present. Most refugees arriving in Uzbekistan are women, children and elderly.

**WFP IR EMOP:**

**5. Justification for an immediate response, expected impact:** The Government of

<sup>1</sup> There is currently no UNHCR presence in Uzbekistan but with this crisis, the Government is requesting them to reopen their office in country.

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Uzbekistan (GoU) requested support from the UN and other international agencies on 14 June 2010 citing the food sector as one of their priorities. This request has been confirmed in a letter from the Deputy Prime Minister of Uzbekistan to the UN RC on 15 June. The GoU has stated that they only have sufficient food to meet beneficiary requirements for five days and thereafter will look to the humanitarian community to provide the required support. Given that many of these households were already vulnerable, have fled with limited possessions and may not have access to coping mechanisms in their new location, WFP needs to provide initial assistance while assessing the needs and developing longer-term strategies and approaches.

15 Sept 2010

**6. Duration of assistance (maximum three months):** 15 June to ~~30 June 2010~~ =

**7. Number of beneficiaries and location:** 75,000 beneficiaries in temporary accommodation including camps / shelters around Andijan, Uzbekistan (bordering Kyrgyzstan), Central Asia.

**8. Food basket composition and ration levels:**

Initial distributions of High Energy Biscuits (HEB) 2100 kcal per person per day				
Commodity	Ration (g/person/day)	Beneficiaries	Duration (days)	MT
HEB	467	75,000	1	40
<b>Total</b>				<b>40.00</b>

Initial "blanket" General Food Distributions (GFD) 2,050 kcal per person per day				
Commodity	Ration (g/person/day)	Beneficiaries	Duration (days)	MT
Cereals	500	75,000	4	450
Pulses	60	75,000	4	54
Veg Oil	15	75,000	4	14
<b>Total</b>				<b>518</b>

**9. Total food aid requirements (mt):**

HEB:	40
Cereals:	450
Pulses:	54
Veg Oil:	14
<b>Total</b>	<b>558 mt</b>

**10. Mode of implementation:** The initial distribution will be High Energy Biscuits flown into Uzbekistan from Dubai / Brindisi to support 75,000 people for 1 day while the NFI currently being transported by UNHCR and other agencies are distributed.

The subsequent stage will be the distribution of a four-day individual ration of 2kg (500g per day) flour, 0.24kg (60g per day) pulses and 0.06 kg (15g per day) oil

providing 2050 kcal per person per day. These commodities will be borrowed from the Tajikistan project that already has them in stock in their Khujand warehouse, approximately 1 day's travel away from the refugee sites. Commodities procured under this IR EMOP will be used to repay the loan.

Following this initial distribution, assistance is planned under a follow-up three month EMOP under which further food commodities will be borrowed from ongoing WFP programmes in neighbouring Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan. These commodities will be repaid with commodities procured regionally in Russia, Kazakhstan and Estonia on DDU terms under the planned three-month EMOP which will also allow the reimbursement of commodities borrowed from these neighbouring programmes.

The mode of distribution has not yet been finalised given the fact that this crisis is only a few days old and that neither WFP nor UNHCR currently have any presence in Uzbekistan. Ideas being considered include distribution through UN/NGO partners and/or government networks. This will be finalised once there are WFP staff on the ground; the first person will arrive on 16 June 2010.

It is likely that implementation methodologies will be revised as the nature and longevity of the crisis becomes clearer and WFP clarifies its strategy and approach.

It is also very likely that this IR EMOP will be followed by a fully fledged EMOP to cover the needs of the refugees for at least three to six months. The duration of that operation and the beneficiary target numbers will be confirmed after an assessment, together with other UN agencies and the Government, which will also be reflected in the UN Flash Appeal that is currently being prepared.

## PART 2: EMOP BUDGET (attached)

Total EMOP budget (up to US\$500,000) is attached as Annex 1.  
(To use standard EMOP Project Budget Plan Format)

## PART 3: EMOP APPROVAL

- 1) IRA funding is available to cover EMOP budget

Chief, OMXP: Laurent Bukera

Date: 16/6/2010

- 2) EMOP is approved

Regional Director, ODC: Daly Belgasmi,

Date: 15/6/2010

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## Annex 1 – Budget Summary

<i>Cost Category</i>	<i>Tonnage (mt)</i>	<i>Rate per mt</i>	<i>Value (US\$)</i>
<b>Commodity</b>			
Cereals	450.00	\$280.00	\$126,000
Pulses	54.00	\$450.00	\$24,300
Oil and Fats	14.00	\$1,300.00	\$18,200
Mixed and Blended Food	-	\$0.00	\$0
Other	40.00	\$1,170.00	\$46,800
Cash Transfer to Beneficiaries			
Voucher Transfer to Beneficiaries			
<b>Total Commodity</b>	<b>558.00</b>	<b>\$385.84</b>	<b>\$215,300</b>
<b>External Transport</b>		<b>\$208.96</b>	<b>\$116,600</b>
<b>LTSH</b>		<b>\$95.52</b>	<b>\$53,300</b>
<b>ODOC</b>		<b>\$18.21</b>	<b>\$10,159</b>
<b>Direct Support Cost (DSC)</b>		<b>\$128.77</b>	<b>\$71,853</b>
<b>Total WFP Direct Costs</b>		<b>\$837.30</b>	<b>\$467,212</b>
<b>Indirect Support Costs (ISC) 7%</b>		<b>\$58.61</b>	<b>\$32,705</b>
<b>Total WFP Costs</b>		<b>\$895.91</b>	<b>\$499,917</b>