BEN DEV-10484.0 B/R No.:03

13.12.2007

BUDGET REVISION FOR THE APPROVAL OF REGIONAL DIRECTOR

		<u>Initials</u>		<u>In Date</u>	Out Date	Reason For Delay
ORIGINATOR Country Office or Regional Bureau on behalf of Coun	ntry Office		·····			
CLEARANCE Programme Officer, ODMP Chief, ODMP Chief, ODTF (change in LTSH and	l/or					
External Transport)						
APPROVAL Regional Director			····			
PROJECT "Nutritional Support to	to Households Affected By HIV/AIDS Previous Budget Revision				New Budget	
Food cost (US\$) Total WFP cost (US\$)* ISC	US\$ 1,136,040 US\$ 2,785,593		US\$ US\$	624,275 986,974	US\$ 1,760,315 US\$ 3,772,567	
TYPE OF REVISION						
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NATURE OF REVISION:

This B/R refers to an extension in time until June 30, 2009 and additional commodities (+associated costs).

JUSTIFICATION FOR THE REVISION:

In line with the 2007-2011 National HIV/AIDS strategic Plan which is geared to reach 75% of all people living with HIV/AIDS under antiretroviral treatment (ART) with nutritional support by the end of 2009, the pilot project seeks an extension in time of one year (bringing the project end date to 30 June 2009) to pursue activities and fully enhance the learning process.

WFP BEN 10484 remains the only project addressing nutritional support to PLWHA in Benin and for which the government is expecting lessons and recommendations before a wide replication. However, a late start, institutional constraints in project implementation and external factors like stigmatization have caused delays in learning on the core issue of nutrition and HIV. Time extension will also be necessary to support the government in finalizing the national nutrition manual based on project lessons.

Furthermore, the project will be scheduled to close at the same time as the School Feeding Programme and this will provide the opportunity for WFP and the Government to consider the continuity in the time frame of UNDAF 2009 – 2013 through a possible WFP country programme.

Hence, the extension in time and additional resources will strengthen the foundation for a programme to incorporate HIV/AIDS activities. Effects and lessons learnt derived from the project are visible after 16 months of implementation, but they will be considerably substantiated and documented within the time extension. This process entails additional commodities as well as associated costs. Based on the current project budget, 1010 mt of commodities (Maize: 454; Beans: 128; CSB: 199; Veg. Oil: 229) are required to cover beneficiaries needs until June 2009.

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