

## Management comments to the Inspection Report on WFP Operations in Liberia (IR/01/2014)

Management welcomes and appreciates the observations made by the Office of the Inspector General through this inspection report on WFP operations in Liberia covering the period 1 July 2012 to 30 November 2013.

The actions proposed in the report were discussed with and agreed by the Country Office and the Regional Bureau and will be carried out within the specified time frame.

Management notes the report's observation that the Country Office had already started to initiate improvements, in particular in relation to its internal communications, and was very responsive to the inspection findings.

Management will work with the Country Office to develop a plan of action for full implementation of the agreed upon actions. A Regional Bureau mission has been scheduled for the April 2014 to finalize the plan. Management will:

- (i) institute a supply chain working group at the Country Office level to ensure corporate tools for commodity tracking are correctly used and that coordination among the various supply chain units in the Country Office is strengthened; and
- (ii) support the Country Office to continue improving internal and external communications.

To monitor the implementation of the agreed actions, management will also ensure increased joint oversight and support missions. These missions will provide assurance that all Country Office internal controls remain robust and are implemented according to corporate guidelines.

Management notes that the most recent external audit of the Dakar Regional Bureau found that the joint oversight missions put in place by the Regional Bureau were a good practice.

Management appreciates the identified opportunities to improve internal controls, governance and monitoring.