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## Management Comments to the Follow Up Inspection Report of WFP Operations in Mauritania IR/01/2015

WFP Management agrees with the results and findings of the follow-up inspection carried out by the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) to review the issues identified in the context of the April 2013 inspection.

WFP Management acknowledges that all 16 recommendations are being addressed in an adequate and satisfactory manner and appreciates OIG's recognition of the significant amount of work that has been carried out by WFP Mauritania, including the revision of Standard Operation Procedures (SOPs) in early 2014, the Memorandum of Understanding, which was reviewed and approved between the Government of Mauritania, UNHCR and WFP in May 2014 and again revised in January 2015, as well as accuracy of COMPAS data, addressing all operational issues that were problematic before the 2013 Inspection.

Actions have been taken to improve information sharing with donors; in this connection all pending reports concerning contracts with the European Union have been prepared, provided to and approved by the European Union.

WFP Management acknowledges significant actions have been carried out in order to ensure smooth supply chain management and timely delivery of food to refugees and will ensure that the new approach and diligence of the work will be maintained in order to ensure the critical services to most vulnerable population in Mauritania.

The West Africa Regional Bureau (RBD) assisted the Country Office (CO) with the implementation of recommendations emanating from the inspection report through oversight missions by the relevant functional managers that have travelled to the CO. The RBD will continue to provide an oversight role and act as the second line of defence in ensuring the achievement of the CO's objective in an efficient and effective manner.

WFP Mauritania CO will continue to collaborate closely with the Government of Mauritania, with UN Sister Agencies, and other partners to maintain close contacts with donors and partners to achieve our common goals.