Joint Internal Audit of the Rome-Based Agencies' Common Procurement Team
(AR/15/01)

Management Comments

WFP management appreciates and welcomes the observations and recommendations made by the Rome-based Agencies’ Offices of Internal Audit on the Common Procurement Team (AR/15/01).

WFP management notes with appreciation the audit team’s recognition of a number of positive practices and initiatives including the completion of 26 joint tenders, piggy back of contracts, implementation of the common e-tendering system to facilitate and track the management of tenders, and integration with the United Nations Global Marketplace (UNGM) portal.

WFP management remains committed to ensuring the timely implementation of all agreed actions and providing regular updates on the implementation status with the three Rome-based Agencies.

Based on the results of this audit and following implementation of the agreed actions, WFP management is reassured that the Common Procurement Team has adequate and appropriate internal controls, governance and risk management practices.

WFP management thanks OIG and the Internal Audit offices of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) for the successful collaboration.