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## **Internal Audit of WFP Operations in the Republic of the Sudan (AR/15/14)**

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### **Management Comments**

WFP Management appreciates and welcomes the observations made by the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) in its audit report on WFP operations in the Republic of Sudan for the period of 1st January 2014 to 31st May 2015.

WFP Management further welcomes the OIG's recognition of WFP Sudan's positive practices and initiatives which includes the leading role of WFP Sudan in the humanitarian response strategy for protracted Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) in the country; the IDP profiling exercise in camps to target and assist beneficiaries based on their food security and nutrition status; strong partnerships and interaction with UN agencies and the humanitarian sector at large; the achievement of savings of approximately USD 30 million by utilization of the Port Sudan corridor for South Sudan Operations; development of the first standard operating procedures for the Country Office Monitoring and Evaluation Tool (COMET); an innovative Nutrition strategy and; a commercial transport tracking system, 'operation lighthouse', through which WFP logistics unit works closely with the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (UNAMID) to ensure timely delivery of food and non-food items to beneficiaries across Darfur.

WFP Management recognizes the overall conclusion of a satisfactory audit and acknowledges that all five agreed actions 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 CO.

In order to ensure the full implementation of all Audit agreed actions, Management will closely monitor the CO efforts to implement them on or before the target implementation dates, and will also ensure that updates on the implementation status of the remaining outstanding agreed actions are provided to OIG.

WFP Management is fully committed to ensure the continuous improvement and strengthening of its business processes and internal controls in the CO.