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- 1. Resources for the IPPC Secretariat are provided by FAO's Regular Programme, which is funded through a mandatory assessed contribution from all Member countries. Two FAO Members have made voluntary contributions to the *Trust Fund for the IPPC*, while some others have made separate voluntary contributions in kind.
- 2. This paper contains financial details on the core Headquarters finances provided through the Regular Programme and the voluntary contributions provided to Trust Funds. The *Trust Fund for the IPPC* is also considered under a separate agenda item (agenda item 12.4.2, document CPM 2006/9). The present paper could not be produced until after a rebudgetting of the FAO Regular Programme, and hence was produced late and figures still remain approximate.

I. The FAO Regular Programme

- 3. The allocation of resources to the Regular Programme is approved by the FAO Conference, which consists of all FAO Members. The Conference meets biennially and, as a consequence, the FAO budget is biennial and the cycles are 2004-2005, 2006-2007, etc.
- 4. Arrears funding (funding from earlier programme cycles due to late payment of assessed contributions) was available in 2004-2005 but is no longer available and hence is **no longer a possible additional source of funding** for the IPPC. In 2004-05 it had offset the difference between funding available from FAO's Regular Programme budget and members'voluntary contributions and the amount necessary to meet the requirements of the Business Plan for the IPPC.
- 5. Estimated sources of revenues for 2006 are provided in Table 1 (annexed), and a budget for expenditures for 2006 is outlined in Table 2 (annexed). This resource analysis does not include

projections of funds that may be earned by the Secretariat through the provision of services to projects under FAO Technical Cooperation Programme.

II. Voluntary Contributions to Trust Funds

- 6. At its fifth session in April 2003, the Interim Commission on Phytosanitary Measures agreed to the establishment of the *Trust Fund for the IPPC*, which is funded through voluntary contributions. Contributions to the Trust Fund for the IPPC are reported in documents CPM 2006/25 and CPM 2006/9.
- 7. Canada committed to provide a total of \$600,000 Canadian over 3 years (2004-06) to the Trust Fund for the IPPC and New Zealand has made an annual contribution of approximately NZ\$50,000 since 2003.
- 8. The European Community has made €125 000 (USD148,538) available for 2006 to enable delegates from developing countries to participate in meetings of the IPPC in which international standards are discussed, in particular the meeting of the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures.

III. Expected outputs (from all sources) in 2006

- 9. The Secretariat presented a budget to the Strategic Planning and Technical Assistance group (SPTA) in October 2005 for consideration. The budget was prepared on the basis of maintaining the momentum developed over the previous two years when there had been additional funding from arrears. The SPTA recognized that without the extra arrears funding, there would be insufficient resources to carry out the work programme, and activities were prioritised with some being put on "hold" in order to match the expected income. Activities given less priority (i.e. those "on hold") could be carried out if additional funding (for activities and additional staff to carry them out) was to become available through voluntary cash or in kind contributions.
- 10. The budget presented to the SPTA assumed an overall funding level of FAO that would make the same resources in real terms available to the Organization. This budget foresaw an increase in FAO's contribution to the IPPC core budget. As the budget of FAO was approved at a lower level, the amount made available to the IPPC Secretariat at headquarters decreased accordingly from the level anticipated at the SPTA (in the range of 8 to 9 % in real terms). As a consequence, the Secretariat had to take additional measures to meet financial targets for the period 2006-07. This included not re-employing staff, and a further reduction in planned activities, in particular the implementation of the information exchange programme and regional workshops on draft ISPMs. As a number of financial commitments for technical panels and expert working groups made in 2005 will be concluded in 2006, the number of meetings that can be held is higher than budgeted for 2006.
- 11. The number of staff being decreased will hamper the execution of the activities of the programme, and in particular will have an effect on the Secretariat's ability to organize and run various meetings, even to the extent of cancellation. Further, there are situations where an activity area has been planned but reduced funding has been allocated, which will result in a reduction of outputs (e.g. the reduced amount allocated to Regional workshops on draft ISPMs only allowed for up to four workshops in 2006, compared with seven in 2005).

Strategic Direction No. 1: The development, adoption and monitoring of the implementation of International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures

12. The following objects of expenditure are planned for 2006:

- Five technical panel meetings, 1
- Seven expert working group meetings,
- Translation for standards,
- Two Standards Committee meetings,
- CPM (with reduced translation and interpretation), and
- Publication/distribution of ISPMs.

Strategic direction No. 2: Information exchange

- 13. The following objects of expenditure are planned for 2006:
 - One meeting of the IPP Support Group,
 - Working Group on IPPC meta-guidelines,
 - IPP workshop for the Near East (funded from other resources),
 - IPP workshop for CIS countries,
 - IPP activities for francophone and anglophone Africa (funded under a TCP project),
 - IPP workshop for the NAPPO region,
 - Working group on electronic certification (held in January and funded from other resources),
 - Programming (one programmer for 11 months),
 - Update of web pages,
 - Development of tools for "capacity building",
 - Computers and other equipment,
 - IPPC advocacy documents, and
 - CD-ROM production.
- 14. The following objects of expenditure are on hold and will only be undertaken subject to available finance:
 - additional IPP workshops,
 - Webmaster (12 months) (P2 grade), and
 - One programmer for four months.

Strategic Direction No. 3: The provision of dispute settlement mechanisms

- 15. The following objects of expenditure are planned for 2006:
 - · SBDS meeting,
 - Translation (reduced funding), and
 - Publication (reduced funding).

Strategic Direction No. 4: The development of the phytosanitary capacity of Members by promoting the provision of technical assistance

- 16. The following objects of expenditure are planned for 2006:
 - Four regional workshops on draft ISPMs,
 - Two working groups on PCE,
 - Technical Consultation among Regional Plant Protection Organizations, and
 - Attendance at CPM (reduced funding).
- 17. The following technical assistance activities are on hold and will be undertaken depending on availability of finance:
 - Three regional workshops on draft ISPMs,
 - Two regional trainers workshops in support of the Technical Cooperation Programme,

¹ As a number of financial commitments for technical panels and expert working groups made in 2005 will be concluded in 2006, the number of planned technical panels and expert working groups meetings is higher than budgeted.

- Regional workshop for training potential TCDC consultants, and
- One informal working group (10 participants) on technical assistance.

Strategic direction No. 5: The maintenance of an effective and efficient administrative framework

- 18. The following objects of expenditure are planned for 2006:
 - Travel for the Bureau (reduced funding),
 - One meeting of the SPTA,
 - CPM preparation assistance,
 - Equipment,
 - Legal fees, and
 - Administrative support (reduced funding).

Strategic Direction No. 6: Promotion of IPPC and cooperation with relevant international organizations

- 19. Funding is available to attend the following meetings/workshops:
 - CBD Conference of the Parties,
 - CBD Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety,
 - Joint meeting of the CBD and IPPC Secretariats,
 - Three workshops of the Standards and Trade Development Facility, and
 - Three meetings of the WTO-SPS Committee.
- 20. The following activities (meetings) relating to promotion of the IPPC and cooperation with relevant international organizations are on hold and will only be undertaken subject to available finance.
 - Bio-weapons Geneva,
 - CBD SBSTTA meeting,
 - CBD terminology meeting,
 - Montreal Protocol meeting,
 - International Forest Quarantine Research Group,
 - International Seed Testing Association meeting,
 - NAPPO attendance at the annual general meeting,
 - EPPO attendance at the annual general meeting,
 - COSAVE attendance at the annual general meeting,
 - World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE),
 - Codex Alimentarius,
 - International Atomic Energy Agency,
 - Activities in relation to liaison with research and education institutes.

21. The CPM is invited to:

- 1. *Note* the anticipated revenues and budgeted expenses for 2006;
- 2. *Note* the reduction in outputs compared to 2005 due a decrease in anticipated revenue from approximately \$3.9 million for 2005 to approximately \$2.5 million in 2006, as a result of the arrears funding having finished and of reduction in funding provided by FAO;
- 3. *Note* that as, a result of the arrears funding no longer being availabe and no additional contributions to the IPPC Trust Fund having been made, various activities planned for 2006 may not be undertaken; and
- 4. *Thank* Canada, New Zealand and the European Community for their extra-budgetary contributions.

Table 1: Resource analysis for 2006 and 2007

	Resources (estimates)			
	2006	2007		
RP 2006-2007	1,896,500	1,896,500		
Trust fund for the IPPC (incl. 2005 carry over)	463,966	0		
Other trust funds	148,538	0		
Total	2,509,004			

Table 2: Expenditure estimates for 2006

	Regular Programme Staff costs	Regular Programme Non-staff costs	Trust Fund for the IPPC	Other Trust Funds	Totals/ direction
Direction 1	339,113				339,113
ICPM		240,000	110,000	100,000	450,000
Standard Setting		350,000	70,000	48,538	468,538
Direction 2					
Information Exchange	170,073	87,000	40,000		297,073
Direction 3					
Dispute Settlement	20,160	15,000	0		35,160
Direction 4					
Technical Assistance	187,193	15,000	105,000		307,193
Phytosanitary capacity evaluation			50,000		50,000
Direction 5					
Administration	217,035	152,000	10,000		379,035
Direction 6					
International liaison	78,426	25,000	0		103,426
Total	1,012,000	884,000	385,000	148,538	2,429,538