Office of the Secretary of the UNICEF Executive Board

Template for delegations commenting on the draft country programme documents

2023 first regular session

Draft country programme document commenting period for Cabo Verde common country programme document: 7 to 25 November 2022 [18:00 EST]

Draft country programme document commenting period for Algeria; Bolivia (Plurinational State of); Central African Republic; Costa Rica; Dominican Republic; Ecuador; Haiti; Iran (Islamic Republic of); Lebanon; Nepal; Pacific Islands (multi-country programme); Palestinian children and women in Jordan, Lebanon, the Syrian Arab Republic and the State of Palestine (area programme); Sao Tome and Principe; and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of): 15 November to 5 December 2022 [18:00 EST]

Delegations are kindly invited to use this template to share their comments on the draft country programme document being presented to the Executive Board during the forthcoming session.

Delegation name: European Union

Draft country programme document: Algeria

In accordance with Executive Board decision 2014/1, draft country programme documents are considered and approved in one session, on a no-objection basis. All comments received by the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board before the deadline stated above will be posted on the Executive Board website, and considered by the requesting country, in close consultation with UNICEF.

	Delegation's comments	Response(s)
General comments	1) the latest nutrition survey demonstrated that the nutritional situation of the population has worsened 2) there is a perspective of new multi sectorial nutrition strategy 3) this strategic document covers the perspective until 2027, A. EU would like to suggest to include the option of UNICEF engagement in the sector of nutrition.	UNICEF appreciates the comments made by the European Union Delegation. A. UNICEF Algeria anticipated the need for action in relation to the response to the worsening nutritional humanitarian situation. Following recommendations from UNICEF's Regional Office and multisector missions (August and December 2022), UNICEF's Algeria country office will actively participate in conducting a joint nutrition situation analysis with all stakeholders,

	B. 45. UNICEF will also maintain its humanitarian action in favour of Sahrawi refugees in Tindouf and their children, in partnership with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the World Food Programme. The programme will support (a) access for children to inclusive, high-quality education through support to the education system aimed at implementing the five -year strategy by all partners; and (b) maternal and child health services and immunization coverage. If necessary, UNICEF may also provide support to address nutrition needs of the refugee population. The humanitarian programme is mainstreamed into all programme components.	including the WFP, UNHCR and Sahrawi authorities to understand the determinants and drivers of the nutrition situation in Sahrawi camps. UNICEF will focus on re-energizing the nutrition sector by promoting a multi-year inter-agency plan similar to the case of the Education cluster (5 years strategy). UNICEF will work with sister UN agencies and the relevant authorities to strengthen the nutrition narrative related to the Sahrawi refugees which will be aligned to UNICEF's and EU's global nutrition strategy. B. UNICEF will also provide technical support to address the nutritional needs of Sahrawi refugee children. This has been reflected now in the CPD text - para 45, page 8.
Comments on specific aspects of the draft country programme document	(Delegations providing comments may wish to include details, such as the page number, paragraph number, or page of the annexed results and resources framework).	