

Humanitarian Accountability Partnership - International

"making humanitarian action accountable to beneficiaries"

10th BOARD MEETING

(SPECIAL TELECONFERENCE)

30 JANUARY 2007

Chair: Denis Caillaux – CARE International
Vice-chair: Antonio Donini - Independent
Jane Cocking – Oxfam GB
Ton van Zutphen – World Vision International
Toby Porter – Save the Children UK
John Farmer – Medair
Mamadou Ndiaye – Ofadec

Apologies

Harsh Mander – Independent
Astier Almedom – Independent
Shareen Shariza Dato Abdul Ghani – Mercy Malaysia
Andreas Kamm – Danish Refugee Council

Absent

Magda Ali - Independent

The purpose of the discussion was to identify ways of moving forward with the proposed HAP 2007 Standard.

The respective positions of each Board Member had been summarized in an email sent by the Board Chair on 23 January 2007. While there was broad agreement with the Standard, some members had expressed reservations re. the proposed hierarchy of Principles and the scope of Benchmark 4 on Staff Competencies.

Drawing from the feedback received from various Board Members, the Chair took the liberty to present a compromise proposal which, after due deliberation, was adopted by the Board. The elements of the agreement are as follows :

- The draft Standard version 9 prepared by the Editorial Steering Committee will be adopted as the HAP 2007 Standard. HAP-International members ready to initiate a certification process using this Standard will do so (Danish Refugee Council; Mercy Malaysia; OFADEC are confirmed and others are still considering)
- Lessons from the HAP 2007 certification scheme will be carefully analyzed, shared with all members, and reviewed by the Board, leading to a revised version in 2009 (HAP 2009). It is the intention of the Board to do its utmost to ensure that all Members will feel sufficiently satisfied about HAP 2009 to successfully join the certification process.
