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69/1. UNDP (Special Fund) programme

38. At its 138th meeting, following the discussion under item 4 (b) of its agenda, the Council, subject to the observations and reservations expressed on some projects decided:

- (a) To approve the proposed programme (see annex II below);
- (b) To earmark for each of the projects listed in annex II the sums shown in that annex under the heading "Governing Council earmarking";
- (c) To authorize the Administrator to make the appropriate arrangements with Governments and participating and executing agencies for the execution of these projects;
- (d) To earmark an additional \$7,980,334 (equivalent to 8 per cent of the total Governing Council earmarkings for the present programme) as a reserve for the Administrator's contingency authority;
- (e) To earmark the sum of \$130,000 to cover the cost in 1969 of financing preparatory assistance or preliminary operations in connexion with projects which are not approved by the Governing Council;
- (f) To earmark the sum of \$12,996,490 for the Special Fund share of the UNDP administrative budget;
- (g) To cancel uncommitted earmarkings in the amount of \$3,105,154 and the corresponding reserve for the Administrator's contingency authority in the amount of \$243,412 for the projects recommended for cancellation in paragraph 19 above;
- (h) To cancel uncommitted earmarkings in the amount of \$1,605,300 and the corresponding reserve for the Administrator's authority in the amount of \$128,424 for the projects recommended for modification in paragraph 20 above.

138th meeting 10 January 1969

69/2. Preliminary operations

42. At its 139th meeting, the Council took note of the proposals for preliminary operations authorized by the Administrator between the sixth and seventh sessions of the Council on the following two projects:

(US dollars)

BOLIVIA - Establishment of a pilot demonstration farm and preparation of a feasibility study for the agroindustrial development of the Abopo-Izozog region - 53,000

GHANA - Cotton production, development and training - 73,400

139th meeting 13 January 1969

69/3. New arrangements proposed for regional and interregional projects

"The Governing Council

- " (\underline{a}) Considers that the difficulties pointed out by the Administrator in his report on new arrangements proposed for regional and inter-regional projects (DP/TA/L.21) are essentially of a transitional character;
- "(b) Confirms the new arrangements proposed at its sixth session for regional and inter-regional projects, subject to the postponement of the elimination of agency targets to a date not later than the operational year 1971;
- "(c) Requests the Administrator to consult further with IACB, taking into account the comments and observations of members of the Council, including those relating to the desirability of obtaining full utilization of all currencies made available to UNDP, and to prepare for consideration by the Council at its eighth session revised procedures to be recommended for approval by the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly for the implementation of the new arrangements, in view of their resolutions 1250 (XLIII) and 2279 (XXII), respectively."

140th meeting 13 January 1969

69/4. Revised estimates of resources and earmarkings for 1969 and initial estimates of resources for 1970 and their distribution

- 67. At its 140th meeting, the Council decided to:
- (a) Take note of the revised estimates of resources for 1969 (\$80,067,000) and initial estimates of resources for 1970 (\$84,997,000);
- (b) Maintain the level of the planning reserve for the year 1970 at 6 per cent of the resources available for the field programme;
- (c) Increase the proportion of funds devoted to regional and inter-regional projects for the year 1970 to 18 per cent of the resources available for the field programme (17 per cent plus 1 per cent for the smaller agencies);
 - (d) Earmark funds for the 1969 Technical Assistance programme as follows:

	(<u>us</u>	dollars)
(i)	Country projects 47	,070,000
(ii)	Regional and inter-regional projects 11	,934,855
(iii)	Agencies' overhead costs	,627,151
(iv)	Technical Assistance share of the UNDP administrative budget	,998,110
(v)	Repayment to the UNDP Revolving Fund for contingency allocations issued in 1968 4	<u>,350,000</u>
	TOTAL 78	,980,116
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(<u>e</u>) Appr	cove the distribution of the estimated resources for 197 $(\underline{U}$	O as follows: S dollars)
(<u>e</u>) Appr	Field programme: Country targets	_
(i)	Field programme: Country targets	S dollars) ,260,000 ,388,000 ,667,000
(i) (ii)	Field programme: Country targets	S dollars) ,260,000 ,888,000 ,667,000 ,315,000

TOTAL

84,997,000

69/5.	Recommendations of the Administrator for regional and
	interregional projects and for additional projects to
	be financed from the Danish restricted account

75. At its 140th meeting, the Council approved the regional and inter-regional project recommendations of the Administrator (DP/TA/L.19/Rev.l and Rev.l/Add.l) and the recommendations of the Administrator covering additional projects to be financed from the Danish restricted contribution (DP/TA/L.20 and Add.l).

140th meeting 13 January 1969

69/6. Report of the Administrator on country programmes

32. At its 140th meeting, the Council took note of the report by the Administrate (DP/TA/P/L.1 and Add.1, Add.1/Corr.1, Add.2, Add.3, Add.3/Corr.1, Add.4 and 5).

140th meeting 13 January 1969

69/7. Budget estimates for the administrative and support services of UNDP for the year 1969

101. At its 142nd meeting, in the light of the discussion, the following decision was taken by the Council:

"The Governing Council

"(a) Approves the budget estimates for administrative and programme support services of UNDP for the year 1969 (DP/L.89 and Add.1) in a total amount of \$19,994,600 net comprising the following sections:

	(US dollars)
Section 1. Section 2. Section 3. Section 4. Section 5. Section 6.	Salaries and wages
	Sub-total 19,696,200
Section 7.	Capacity Study

[&]quot;(b) Decides that the Administrator may transfer credits between sections only with the authorization of the Governing Council, such authorization to be obtained, if necessary, by canvassing members through correspondence;

142nd meeting 14 January 1969

[&]quot;(c) In order to finance these requirements, authorizes allocations in amounts of \$12,996,490 and \$6,998,110 respectively from the resources of the Special Fund and Technical Assistance components of the Programme."

69/8. Report on technical field advisers

121. Following the discussion, the Council, at its 142nd meeting, took note of the report of the Administrator on technical field advisers (DP/L.95).

142nd meeting 14 January 1969

69/9. Financial report on the Revolving Fund

147. At its 142nd meeting, the Council took note of the financial report of the Administrator on the Revolving Fund (DP/L.88 and Corr.1).

142nd meeting 14 January 1969

69/10. Audit reports

163. At its 142nd meeting, the Governing Council took note of the audited financia reports and accounts of UNDP for the year ended 31 December 1967 16/ and the audit reports for the year ended 31 December 1967 relating to expenditure by participating and executing agencies under the Technical Assistance 17/ and Special Fund 18/ programmes. It also noted the relevant comments of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions 19/ and General Assembly resolutions 2380 (XXIII) and 2473 (XXIII).

142nd meeting 14 January 1969

69/11. Contributions

146. At its 143rd meeting, the Council took note of the statement on the status of the contributions pledged to UNDP for 1969 as at 31 December 1968 (DP/L.98), as modified by the additional contributions just announced by the representatives of Japan and Sweden.

143rd meeting 15 January 1969

69/12. Financial Regulations and Rules

158. At its 143rd meeting, the Governing Council approved the text of the UNDP financial regulations (DP/L.90 and Add.1) with the amendments agreed upon during the discussion affecting Article V and regulations 4.3 and 6.6. The Council took note of the financial rules to be promulgated by the Administrator, it being understood that these would be amended to reflect changes agreed during the discussion.

143rd meeting 15 January 1969

69/13. Effect of revised scale for professional staff

- 169. At its 143rd meeting, the Governing Council decided:
- (a) To take note of the document in the report on the effect of revised salary scales for Professional staff (DP/L.100);
- (\underline{b}) That the 25 per cent limitation on the excess of project allocations over earmarkings should not apply to projects approved at the seventh and prior sessions of the Governing Council to the extent that the increased allocations were made necessary by the salary increases approved by the General Assembly in resolution 2485 (XXIII);
- (c) To authorize an increase of 3 per cent in the amount calculated for overhead reimbursement of agencies for the years 1969 and 1970 and to earmark an additional amount of \$258,815 for that purpose in 1969.

143rd meeting 15 January 1969

69/14. Local costs of Special Industrial Service projects

161. At its 145th meeting, the Governing Council recommended that the Administrator of UNIDP and the Executive Director of UNIDO undertake a joint study of the problem of financing future projects of the Special Industrial Services type, taking into account the views expressed on this subject during the seventh session of the Council and the report being prepared by the Administrator on the future operation of the Revolving Fund.

145th meeting 16 January 1969

"The Governing Council

- "(a) Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations regular programme of technical co-operation (DP/RP/6 and Add.1) and of the views expressed by members of the Council during the discussion;
- "(b) Endorses the recommendations of the Secretary-General regarding the future character and role of the United Nations regular programme of technical co-operation (DP/RP/6, para. 8);
- "(c) Stresses the importance of ensuring that regular programme resources fulfil, to the extent possible, requests for assistance from Governments for which the programme is particularly suited;
- " (\underline{d}) Recommends that the Economic and Social Council should propose to the \overline{G} eneral Assembly the adoption of the following programming and budgeting procedures for Part V (Technical programmes) of the United Nations budget:
 - "(i) That the Secretary-General frame his annual budget estimates
 for Part V taking into account the expressed needs of the
 developing countries and regions together with the recommendations
 of the various programme-formulating bodies of the United Nations,
 including the Governing Council and the Industrial Levelopment
 Board;
 - "(ii) That the current system of separate section appropriations requested under Part V be replaced by chapters reflecting targets to be applied to the major fields of activity: economic development, industrial development, social development, public administration, human rights advisory services and narcotics drugs control;
 - "(iii) That the Secretary-General approve individual projects based on Government requests to be financed under the regular programme;
 - "(iv) That annual reports on the programme and projects implemented be submitted as appropriate to the Governing Council and the Industrial Development Board."

146th meeting 17 January 1969

69/16. Action taken in 1968 by organs of the United Nations and related agencies on matters relating to UNDP

207. At its 146th meeting, the Council took note of the action taken by organs of the United Nations and related agencies in 1968 on matters relating to UNDP (DP/L.97 and Add.1).

146th meeting 17 January 1969

69/17. Common premises for the United Nations organizations in India

212. At its 146th meeting, the Council, having discussed the report by the Administrator concerning common premises for the United Nations organizations in India, authorized the Administrator to examine the matter further and to report to the Council at the earliest practicable date, keeping in mind the views expressed by members of the Council.

146th meeting 17 January 1969

69/18. Cash advance to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

217. At its 146th meeting, as an exceptional measure not involving any precedent, the Council authorized a further loan to UNESCO in the amount of \$1.5 million, under terms and conditions to be determined by the Administrator in the light of the views expressed by members of the Council during the discussion.

146th meeting 17 January 1969

69/19. Progress report on the Capacity Study

115. At its 148th meeting, the Governing Council noted the progress report on the Capacity Study (DP/L.91 and Add.1) and the statement of the Commissioner for the Capacity Study (DP/SR.147) and invited the Commissioner to take into account, in the further work of the Study, the views expressed by members of the Council during the discussion at its seventh session.

148th meeting 20 January 1969

69/20. Question of data storage and retrieval

140. At its 149th meeting, following the discussion, the Council decided:

- (a) To take note of the progress report of the Administrator on the question of data storage and retrieval (DP/L.99);
 - (b) To approve the proposals contained in paragraph 12 of document DP/L.99;
- (c) To authorize accordingly a supplementary allocation in the amount of \$64,000 under Section 7 (Capacity Study) of the administrative and programme support services budget for 1969, to be financed to the extent of 65 per cent, or \$41,600, from the resources of the Special Fund component, and 35 per cent, or \$22,400, from the resources of the Technical Assistance component.

149th meeting 21 January 1969

69/21. United Nations Capital Development Fund

- 200. At its 150th meeting, the Governing Council decided:
- (a) To proceed with the initiation of the Fund's operations on a provisional basis with the level of resources currently pledged;
- (b) To request the Secretary-General of the United Nations to invite the pledging countries to make appropriate arrangements to pay their contributions in cash or kind if they so desire, to invite other Governments which have promised to announce their pledges at a later date to do so, and also to invite other Governments, members of the United Nations and specialized agencies which have not yet pledged to do so;
- (c) To approve the interim financial regulations of the Fund in accordance with the arrangements set forth in chapter VIII of the report of the Administrator to the sixth session (DP/L.82);
- (d) To request the Administrator to consult Governments and international organizations concerned on the type of operations indicated in paragraphs 14 to 17 of the report by the Administrator (DP/L.96 and Corr.1) and to report to the Council thereon with specific project recommendations for approval, if possible, at its eighth session, and not later than at its ninth session.

150th meeting 21 January 1969

69/22. Date and place of the eighth session of the Governing Council

213. The Council agreed to accept the kind invitation of WHO to hold its eighth session on the premises of that organization in Geneva. The Council also agreed that the eighth session would be held from 16 June to 3 July 1969.

150th meeting 21 January 1969

69/23. Provisional agenda for the eighth session of the Governing Council

220. The draft provisional agenda which was before the Council for consideration read as follows:

- 1. Opening of the session.
- 2. Adoption of the agenda.
- 3. UNDP(SF) programme recommendations of the Administrator:
 - (a) Consideration of individual projects of the UNDP(SF) programme in private meetings;
 - (b) Approval of UNDP(SF) programme recommendations;
 - (c) Proposals for preliminary operations.
- 4. UNDP(TA) programme:
 - (a) Procedures for the implementation of the new arrangements for regional and inter-regional projects;
 - (b) Approval of the regional and inter-regional project recommendations of the Administrator.
- 5. General debate (statements by the Administrator and members of the Council on issues before the Council): report on the activities of UNDP in 1968 with relevant supplementary reports.
- 6. Progress report on the Capacity Study.
- 7. Study relating to the establishment of an information storage and retrieval system.
- 8. Financial matters:
 - (a) Comprehensive statement on the financial position of UNDP;

- (b) Report on the Revolving Fund including reporting on the problem of financing future projects of the Special Industrial Services type.
- 9. Administrative and budgetary matters:
 - (a) General policies in respect of budget estimates for the administrative and programme support services of UNDP for 1970;
 - (b) Question of the timing of the presentation to the Council of budget estimates for the administrative and programme support services of UNDP.
- 10. United Nations regular programme of technical co-operation.
- 11. United Nations Capital Development Fund.
- 12. Information papers on the regular programme of technical assistance in 1963 of the specialized agencies and IAEA.
- 13. Date and provisional agenda for the ninth session of the Governing Council.
- 14. Other matters.
- 15. Draft report of the Governing Council to the forty-seventh session of the Economic and Social Council.

150th meeting 21 January 1969