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INTERIM REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT ON PROGRESS ACHIEVED BY THE AD HOC OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP ON RULES OF PROCEDURE

- 1. In its decision 96/25, the Executive Board decided to establish an ad-hoc, open-ended working group on rules of procedure. The President of the Executive Board was likewise requested to present an interim report at the third regular session on the progress achieved by the working group.
- 2. The working group held three meetings, on 13 June, 14 June and 3 September 1996. Ms. Cecilia Rebong (Philippines), Vice-President of the Executive Board, chaired the meetings. A representative of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs participated in the meeting held on 3 September. The working group completed a first reading of a working paper on draft rules of procedure presented by the Executive Board secretariat.
- 3. The working group agreed to consider at its next meeting, to be held in early October 1996, a chairperson's text based on the discussions held during the previous meetings, as well as the amendments submitted. The chairperson's text will be circulated in all working languages. It was also agreed that a compilation of oral and written amendments on the working paper presented by the secretariat will be made available in the form of a non-paper for the information of members of the funds and programmes.
- 4. It is planned that a final draft of the Rules of Procedure for the Executive Board will be presented to the Executive Board at its first regular session 1997, in accordance with Executive Board decision 96/25.