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UNITED NATIONS FUND FOR POPULATION ACTIVITIES

Draft decision

The Budgetary and Finance Committee recommends that the Governing Council adopt the following draft decision:

The Governing Council,

Having considered the 1982 budget estimates for administrative and programme support services and supplementary appropriations for the year 1981 of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities (DP/531 and Corr.1 and 2), together with the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (DP/532 and Corr.1); the report and recommendation of the Executive Director on the Operational Reserve (DP/534); and the Audit Reports of UNFPA (DP/533).

- 1. Approves a supplementary appropriation under Programme II of the 1981 budget in the amount of \$1,249,500 as submitted in document DP/531 to be allocated from the resources of UNFPA to finance the non-recurrent expenditures incurred for office space planning, design and construction in connexion with the transfer to the new UNFPA premises.
- 2. Approves appropriations in the amount of \$9,345,579 as submitted in document DP/531 to be allocated from the resources of UNFPA to finance the 1982 administrative and programme support budget, including the reclassification of the Assistant Executive Director from the Director level (D-2) to the Assistant Secretary-General level, one post from the D-1 to the D-2 level and four posts from the P-4 to the P-5 level, as follows:

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Programme	\$
Executive direction and management	1,211,365
Administrative and public information support services	2,593,736
Programme planning, appraisal and monitoring	5,540,478
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- 3. Requests the Executive Director to submit to the twenty-ninth session of the Governing Council a report on UNFPA's plans to submit biennial budget estimates for the administrative and programme support services for the next biennium 1984-1985 of the budgetary cycle of UNDP and funds administered by UNDP.
- 4. Reaffirms the original purposes of the Operational Reserve to be a contingency reserve for future years' commitments and to cover uneven cash flow situations in case there should be delays in payments by donor countries against their pledges and extends the purpose of the Reserve:
- (a) to assure availability of funds in cases of downward fluctuations and shortfall in resources;
- (b) to cover increases in actual costs as compared to planning estimates or fluctuations in delivery; and
- (c) to cover other contingencies which could result in loss of resources for which the Fund has made commitments for programming.
- 5. Approves the Executive Director's recommendation that a target of 25 per cent of annual contributions be established for the Operational Reserve to be met partially during the 1982-1985 Work Plan period and totally before the end of the 1986-1989 Work Plan period. The Reserve shall be fully funded and gradually increased by amounts set aside out of annual income. The Executive Director shall present to the Governing Council an annualized replenishment schedule in conjunction with the annual submission to the Council of his resource utilization projection included in the UNFPA Work Plan.
- 6. Takes note of the audit reports of the participating and executing agencies relating to funds allocated to them by UNFPA as at 31 December 1979.
- 7. Agrees that the Executive Director shall be authorized to transfer credits between programmes of the reviewed 1981 and 1982 budgets, within reasonable limits, with the concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.