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DRAFT REPORT OF THE BUDGETARY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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CHAPTER I

MATTERS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE BY THE PLENARY

GOVERNMENT EXECUTION

DRAFT DECISION

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

The Governing Council

- 1. Approves the recommendations contained in paragraphs 41 and 46 of the Administrator's report, DP/1982/11, for the experimental period of 1 January 1983 to 30 June 1985 after which these arrangements will be reviewed by the Council;
- 2. <u>Decides</u> that the mandate in paragraph 1 above will automatically be terminated unless the Governing Council at its thirty-second session, in connection with its review of the subject, takes a new decision to continue these or other arrangements;
- Requests the Administrator to undertake a review of government execution during the experimental period and to report thereon to the Council, taking into account the number of countries, number and types of projects and assistance requested by governments to implement government execution; and including the following factors which the add-on to the IPFs are expected to meet:
 - (i) Payment of support costs to United Nations co-operating agencies at the full applicable support costs rate;

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- (ii) Assist governments in meeting additional administrative costs resulting from government execution;
- (iii) Training of government staff to enhance their competence to deal with government execution;
- (iv) Increases in field office staff which may be needed to meet additional demands arising from government execution;
 - (v) Executing agency services rendered by way of advice or other support (other than as co-operating agency) regarding project formulation and similar activities in support of government execution.

The add-on to individual country IPFs including the cost mentioned above, will in no case exceed 13 per cent.

This report should also take into account alternative methods of encouraging and assisting governments in implementing government execution; in light of views and comments expressed by members of the Council the report should further include an analysis of the real savings, if any, resulting from government execution, taking into account increased charges to the biennial budget, due to increased involvement of UNDP staff and other resources.