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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

Note by the Secretariat

1. Annex I to this document contains the provisional agenda for the twenty-ninth session of the Governing Council of UNDP, scheduled from 1 to 21 June 1982 at Geneva, as approved by the Council at its organizational meeting for 1982 on 25 February 1982.
2. The tentative schedule of work for the Council's twenty-ninth session, which was also approved at the Council's organizational meeting for 1982, is contained in Annex II. The Council agreed at its organizational meeting that once consideration of an item is completed before the date indicated, a subsequent item could begin immediately, thereby avoiding loss of time and under-utilization of available interpretation services.
3. All meetings to be held at the Palais des Nations of the United Nations Office at Geneva will normally be scheduled from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. In that connexion, it may be recalled that the Council, by paragraph 3(j) of decision 81/37, decided that its meetings should start promptly at the time for which they are scheduled. At the organizational meeting for 1982, the President of the Council stated that he intended to abide strictly by this rule in order to limit to a minimum the extent of unused services.
4. In accordance with paragraph 3(a) of Council decision 81/37, the first four days of the twenty-ninth session, 1-4 June 1982, have been designated as a high-level segment of the Council's session devoted to policy review, during which Governments are expected to be represented at a high, senior policy-making level. This year's policy review focuses on "the future role of UNDP, its structure, and new and specific ways and means of mobilizing increased resources on an increasingly predictable continuous and assured basis". In the course of the general debate, which will take place during this period, delegations will also be able to address themselves to policy issues relating to items 4, 5 and 7(c).
5. In accordance with paragraph 3(h) of Council decision 81/37, a list of speakers for the general debate will be opened at UNDP headquarters, Division of External Relations and Governing Council Secretariat (Tel. 754-4798), from 10 to 21 May 1982

and thereafter at Geneva from 24 May 1982 and will be closed at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 2 June 1982. For all other items, lists of speakers will also be opened and closed, as appropriate, and will be announced in the course of the session in order to allow for better planning and more efficient conduct of business.

6. At its special meeting preceding the twenty-ninth session, the Council is scheduled to elect the Second Vice-President from among the representatives of the Group of Asian States.

7. As regards the Budgetary and Finance Committee, it may be recalled that in accordance with paragraph 4(a) of Council decision 81/37, this Committee shall have its own agenda in a separate document and its own organization of work, which will be issued under the symbol DP/1982/BFC/L.1. As decided by the Governing Council at its organizational meeting for 1982, the First Vice-President of the Council shall serve as the Chairman of the Budgetary and Finance Committee which in accordance with decision 81/45, will begin its work on 24 May 1982. At its organizational meeting for 1982, the Council also decided that items 7(a) through 7(h) of the Council's provisional agenda be allocated for consideration by the Budgetary and Finance Committee. It was, however, understood that while the Budgetary and Finance Committee might have a preliminary discussion on item 7(c), the inherent policy issues would be taken up by the Council in the course of its general debate as indicated in paragraph 3 above. Consequently, it might become necessary for the Budgetary and Finance Committee to review any results it might have reached previously on this subject. In addition, the Council decided at its organizational meeting that the Budgetary and Finance Committee in accordance with decision 81/46, should consider the Administrator's proposed regulations 3.5, 3.6, 12.3, 12.4 and the newly proposed regulation 3.6 as well as the bracketed sub-paragraphs 8(b) and (c) of Council decision 81/16. The Committee will also take up the financial and administrative questions related to agenda item 6(b), United Nations Fund for Population Activities.

8. In accordance with its decision 81/37, arrangements have been made for the servicing of one working group of the Council during its twenty-ninth session, including the provision of interpretation services. The Council may wish to assign to this working group, as necessary, specific tasks mainly to facilitate the consideration of draft decisions. The President, with the assistance of the secretariat, will co-ordinate the schedule of any such meetings in order to ensure that full use is made of the meetings and interpretation services specifically reserved for that purpose.

9. As regards documentation, the attention of the Members of the Council is drawn to document A/INF/37/1 which sets forth in clear terms the policies laid down by the General Assembly regarding the control and limitation of documentation. In accordance with General Assembly resolution 2538 (XXIV), this information will be made available to the Council at its twenty-ninth session. In addition, the Council will have before it document DP/1982/INF/4 containing a letter from the Secretary-General of the United Nations to the Administrator of UNDP on the subject of control and limitation of documentation.

Annex I
PROVISIONAL AGENDA
for the twenty-ninth session
1-21 June 1982

1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters
3. Policy review: the future role of UNDP, its structure and new and specific ways and means of mobilizing increased resources on an increasingly predictable, continuous and assured basis
4. Programme implementation
 - (a) Annual report of the Administrator for 1981
 - (b) Implementation of decisions adopted by the Governing Council at previous sessions 1/
 - (c) Special programmes of assistance: assistance to national liberation movements recognized in its area by the Organization of African Unity; assistance to the Palestinian people; and assistance to specific countries 2/
 - (d) Evaluation programme
5. Programme planning: the third programming cycle, 1982-1986
6. Other funds and programmes 3/
 - (a) United Nations technical co-operation activities*
 - (b) United Nations Fund for Population Activities*
 - (c) United Nations Volunteers**

1/ The Council will have before it reports on the implementation of the following decisions: 81/19, on the role of qualified national personnel; 81/20, on recruitment of project professional staff; 81/21, on Government execution of UNDP-supported activities; 81/22, Pre-investment activities; 81/30, UNDP study programme; 81/33, Enhancing the capabilities of maritime transport training institutions in developing countries; 81/35, United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries; and 80/22, II, Women in Development.

2/ Follow-up to relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and decisions of the Governing Council.

3/ An asterisk (*) indicates a fund or programme under the guidance of the Governing Council. A double asterisk (**) indicates a fund or programme under the guidance of the Governing Council and managed by the Administrator.

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- (d) United Nations Capital Development Fund**
- (e) United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration**
- (f) Technical co-operation among developing countries**
- (g) United Nations Interim Fund for Science and Technology for Development
- (h) Supporting activities for energy**
- (i) Activities of the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office (UNSO) and other assistance to drought-stricken countries in Africa**
 - (i) UNSO: Plan of action to combat desertification in the Sudano-Sahelian region
 - (ii) UNSO: Implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Sahelian region
 - (iii) Other assistance to drought-stricken countries in Africa

7. Financial, budgetary and administrative matters

- (a) Annual review of the financial situation, 1981
- (b) Programme support and administrative services budget, 1980-1981
- (c) Programme support and administrative services budget, 1982-1983
 - (i) Headquarters staffing and field establishment surveys
 - (ii) Revised estimates, 1982-1983 budget
- (d) UNDP financial regulations
- (e) Agency support costs
- (f) Audit reports
- (g) Sectoral support
- (h) Other matters: Fisheries vessels pool

8. Other matters

- (a) United Nations system regular and extrabudgetary technical co-operation expenditures
- (b) Action taken by other organs of the United Nations system in 1981
- (c) Relations between UNDP and external institutions

9. Matters relating to the work of the Council in 1983

Annex II

Tentative schedule of work for the
twenty-ninth session of the Governing Council

DATE	TIME	AGENDA ITEM
Tuesday 1 June	a.m.	1. Opening of the session 2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters Statement by the Administrator
	p.m.	Introductory statements on items: 3. Policy review: the future role of UNDP, its structure and new and specific ways and means of mobilizing increased resources on an increasingly predictable, continuous and assured basis. 4. Programme implementation 5. Programme planning: the third programming cycle, 1982-1986 7(c) Programme support and administrative services budget, 1982-1983 General debate on items 3, 4, 5 and 7(c)
Wednesday 2 June	a.m./p.m.	General debate (continued)
Thursday 3 June	a.m./p.m.	General debate (continued)
Friday 4 June	a.m./p.m.	General debate (continued)
Monday 7 June	a.m./p.m.	4(b) Implementation of decisions adopted by the Governing Council at previous sessions
Tuesday 8 June	a.m./p.m.	4(b) continued, if necessary 4(d) Evaluation programme
Wednesday 9 June	a.m./p.m.	4(d) continued, if necessary 5. Programme planning: the third programming cycle, 1982-1986

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DATE	TIME	AGENDA ITEM
Thursday 10 June	a.m./p.m.	4(c) Special programmes of assistance: assistance to national liberation movements recognized in its area by the Organization of African Unity; assistance to the Palestinian people; and assistance to specific countries 8(a) United Nations system regular and extrabudgetary technical co-operation expenditures 8(b) Action taken by other organs of the United Nations system in 1981 8(c) Relations between UNDP and external institutions
Friday 11 June	a.m./p.m.	6(a) United Nations technical co-operation activities 6(f) Technical co-operation among developing countries Introductory statement: 6(b) United Nations Fund for Population Activities
Monday 14 June	a.m./p.m.	6(b) UNFPA (continued)
Tuesday 15 June	a.m./p.m.	6(b) UNFPA (continued)
Wednesday 16 June	a.m./p.m.	6(c) United Nations Volunteers 6(d) United Nations Capital Development Fund 6(i) Activities of the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office (UNSO) and other assistance to drought-stricken countries in Africa
Thursday 17 June	a.m./p.m.	6(e) United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration 6(g) United Nations Interim Fund for Science and Technology for Development 6(h) Supporting activities for energy 6(b) UNFPA - Budgetary and Finance Committee report
Friday 18 June	a.m./p.m.	Report of the Working Group Report of the Budgetary and Finance Committee 9. Matters relating to the work of the Council in 1983 Closure of the session
Monday 21 June	a.m./p.m.	If required, continuation of programme of 18 June.