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## ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

### Annotations to the provisional agenda

#### Note by the secretariat

1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

At its organizational meeting on 14 February 1983, the Council approved, by decision 83/1, the provisional agenda and a tentative schedule of work for its thirtieth session. The Council further allocated items 7(a) through 7(g) of the provisional agenda, as well as the financial and administrative questions related to item 6(b), United Nations Fund for Population Activities, 6(c) United Nations Volunteers and 6(i) (i) United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office: Plan of Action to Combat Desertification in the Sudano-Sahelian Region, to the Budgetary and Finance Committee.

Furthermore, the Council at its 1983 organizational meeting, agreed on a number of principles which shall guide the work of its sessional working group.

#### Documentation

Provisional agenda (DP/1983/L.6)  
Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (DP/1983/L.7 and Corr. 1)  
Annotations to the provisional agenda, Note by the secretariat (DP/1983/4)  
List of documents being submitted to the thirtieth session (DP/1983/4/Add.1)  
Status of pre-session documents, Note by the secretariat (DP/1983/4/Add.2)  
Provisional agenda and organization of work of the Budgetary and Finance Committee (DP/1983/BFC/L.1 and Corr.1)  
Checklist of documents being submitted to the Budgetary and Finance Committee (DP/1983/BFC/L.1/Add.1)

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3. Policy review: Measures to mobilize increased resources for UNDP on an increasingly predictable, continuous and assured basis

By its decision 82/41 of 18 June 1982, the Council decided that the subject of the policy review item for its thirtieth session should be entitled Measures to mobilize increased resources for UNDP on an increasingly predictable, continuous and assured basis. In that connection, the Council will have before it the report of its Intersessional Committee of the Whole, established by Council decision 82/5. This report is addressing questions related to:

(a) The short-term financing situation of the Programme,

(b) The longer-term financing of UNDP,

(c) Other matters that might facilitate the implementation of the measures for the longer-term financing of UNDP, in particular, options and recommendations for strengthening the effectiveness of the work of the Governing Council, including:

(i) Strengthening the role of the Governing Council and participating Governments in programme planning and programme review;

(ii) Arrangements for the evaluation of the results and effectiveness of the Programme;

(iii) Measures to promote better understanding of the role and activities of UNDP and of the resource needs of the Programme; and

(d) additional and alternative ways of financing and providing development assistance through UNDP and the funds administered by UNDP.

The report contains a number of conclusions on these issues which the Intersessional Committee submits to the Council for its consideration. As a number of these conclusions refer to suggestions made in documents before the Intersessional Committee, the Council will also have before it such documentation. With respect to (d) above, the Administrator, in accordance with a request by the Intersessional Committee, will furthermore submit to the Council a note providing further clarification regarding proposals contained in document DP/1983/ICW/13 dealing with the management and other support services on behalf of Governments.

Documentation

Report of the Intersessional Committee of the Whole (DP/1983/5)  
Arrangements for the evaluation of the results and of the effectiveness of the Programme, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/ICW/6)

Measures to promote a better understanding of the role and activities of UNDP and of the resource needs of the Programme, (DP/1983/ICW/7)  
Strengthening the role of the Council and participating Governments in programme planning and programme review, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/ICW/8 and Corr.1)

Arrangements for long-term resource mobilization providing for greater predictability and adopted to the specific characteristics of UNDP, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/ICW/11)

Arrangements to improve the content of its existing structure, the working methods of the Governing Council for consideration of programme matters, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/ICW/12)

Consideration of other questions contained in the Administrator's revised proposals relating to document DP/1982/35 (DP/1983/ICW/13)

Further clarification regarding proposals contained in document DP/1983/ICW/13: Management and other support services on behalf of Governments, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/69)

#### 4. Programme implementation

##### (a) Annual report of the Administrator for 1982

The Annual report of the Administrator for 1982 consists of five parts:

Part I, Introduction by the Administrator (DP/1983/6), provides a perspective on UNDP's role in the broader international development effort, focusing in particular on the achievements recorded from three decades of development, on the importance of technical co-operation in the attainment of those gains and on the paradoxical but continued neglect accorded organizations such as UNDP which are charged with important, worldwide technical co-operation mandates.

Part II, The Main Programme Record in 1982 (DP/1983/6/Add.1), details the general downturn in programme expenditures and delivery resulting from reduced resources but also notes numerous measures taken by the Programme in 1982 to strengthen its operational procedures and effectiveness;

Part III, Project Results and Programme Accomplishments (DP/1983/6/Add.2), describes the impact recorded in a variety of UNDP-supported projects, including a section detailing post-project results;

Part IV, Special Funds and Activities (DP/1983/6/Add.3), briefly summarizes highlights in the operational activities of funds and activities administered by the Administrator during the year;

Part V, the Statistical Annex (DP/1983/6/Add.4), provides data on all phases of the Programme's work in 1982 and includes new tables reflecting, in the main, UNDP's expanding service role in the development process.

The Council will also have before it for consideration a note by the Administrator which draws attention to those reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (JIU) which have been issued since the last session of the Council and which are of direct interest or concern to the Council in its work. The text of two of these reports, moreover, will be made available in their entirety in view of their particular relevance to the Programme's activities. The reports concerned deal with UNDP's field offices and the evaluation programme.

#### Documentation

Annual report of the Administrator for 1982 (DP/1983/6 and Add.1-4)  
Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (JIU), Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/7 and Add.1)  
Field offices of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), JIU/REP/83/4, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/67)  
Report on the Evaluation System of the United Nations Development Programme, JIU/REP/83/5, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/68)

#### (b) Implementation of decisions adopted by the Governing Council at previous sessions

##### (i) Use of programme resources for equipment

By decision 82/4, section B, paragraph 2, the Governing Council requested the Administrator to report to the Council on action taken in line with paragraphs 26 and 27 of document DP/1982/3 on the use of programme resources for equipment.

#### Documentation

Use of programme resources for equipment, Report of the Administrator (DP/1983/12)

##### (ii) Recruitment of project professional staff and consultants

Pursuant to its decision 82/7, the Council will receive a report dealing with two main issues: (a) improved recruitment; and (b) reduced costs of experts and consultants. The main policy paper, and a related support paper, provide information on the measures taken by the organizations of the United Nations system to improve the prospection and recruitment of project professional personnel, *inter alia*, by implementing the recommendations previously endorsed by the Governing Council. The report offers further suggestions to improve the recruitment process. It also reviews the issues relating to the cost of project personnel and develops recommendations towards achieving greater cost effectiveness in the design of personnel inputs.

#### Documentation

Recruitment and reduction of cost of project professional personnel (DP/1983/8 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1)

(iii) Pre-investment activities

In response to its decisions 81/22 and 82/9, the Council will have before it a report on the evaluation of special training provided to Resident Representatives and Deputy Resident Representatives to stimulate and support UNDP-assisted pre-investment activities.

Documentation

Pre-investment activities: evaluation of special training, Report of the Administrator (DP/1983/9)

(iv) UNDP Development Study Programme

The Council will receive an oral report summarizing the activities carried out since the twenty-ninth session under the auspices of the UNDP Development Study Programme, established by Council decision 81/30. This report will also respond to Council decision 82/10.

(v) United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries

In response to Council decision 82/11 a support paper will be presented containing information on action taken by UNDP in 1982 in support of Government efforts to implement the Substantial New Programme of Action (SPNA), adopted at the 1980 Paris Conference on Least Developed Countries. The paper will focus in particular on UNDP's role as lead agency in organizing round table conferences.

Documentation

United Nations Conference on Least Developed Countries, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/11)

(c) Special programmes of assistance

(i) Assistance to national liberation movements recognized in its area by the Organization of African Unity

The Council will have before it a report of the Administrator which responds to decision 81/12 whereby the Council requested the Administrator to continue to report on assistance to national liberation movements recognized by the OAU.

Documentation

Assistance to national liberation movements, Report of the Administrator (DP/1983/13)

(ii) Assistance to the Palestinian people

The Administrator will submit a report which reviews the progress achieved in implementing the programme of assistance to the Palestinian people, particularly in light of Governing Council decision 82/13. In the report, the Administrator recommends that the Council reiterate its appeal to Governments and inter-governmental organizations to supplement the resources available from UNDP special programme resources in order to carry out the programme of assistance.

Documentation

Assistance to the Palestinian people, Report of the Administrator  
(DP/1983/14)

(iii) Assistance to specific countries

The Council will have before it a report of the Administrator which responds to resolutions adopted by the General Assembly at its thirty-seventh session concerning assistance to 10 African countries and one Asian country, in order to meet their special needs. Pursuant to Council decision 82/14 the report will also contain information on the implementation of UNDP assistance to Uganda.

Documentation

Assistance to specific countries, Report of the Administrator (DP/1983/15)

(d) Evaluation programme

By decision 82/15 the Governing Council welcomed the Administrator's initiative to study a further improvement in the system of evaluation, including the possible establishment of an independent central evaluation unit; and invited him to submit relevant proposals for the consideration of the Council at its thirtieth session. The Intersessional Committee of the Whole, established by the Governing Council by its decision 82/5, considered improved evaluation of the results and effectiveness of the Programme to be one of those other matters which could facilitate resource mobilization and strengthen the effectiveness of the work of the Governing Council. Accordingly, the Administrator submitted to the Intersessional Committee a note entitled Arrangements for the Evaluation of the Results and of the Effectiveness of the Programme. This note described the past and current evaluation system in UNDP and identified measures to improve evaluation. It proposed the gradual establishment of a Central Evaluation Unit within UNDP. The views of delegations expressed in the ICW are reflected in the Committee's report (DP/1983/5, see item 3 above), which takes note of the Administrator's proposal to establish a Central Evaluation Unit in 1983 covering the cost during that year from existing resources. Proposals for the gradual development of the Unit are included in the budget estimates for 1984/85.

In March 1983, the Joint Inspection Unit also completed a report on the evaluation system of UNDP. The comments of the Administrator will be presented to the Council.

The Council will also have before it a progress report on thematic evaluations, reviewing the status of evaluation studies endorsed by the Governing Council in decision 80/22. An annex to that document provides a summary of the completed study on Primary Health Care. Detailed information is given on the status of three studies in progress, namely on national agricultural research institutes, industrial training and manufactures industries. The progress report also comments on the use made of the evaluation studies and Programme Advisory Notes by UNDP Field Offices.

#### Documentation

Arrangements for the evaluation of the results and of the effectiveness of the Programme, Report of the Administrator (DP/1983/ICW/6)  
Report of the Intersessional Committee of the Whole (DP/1983/5)  
Evaluation Programme: Progress report of the Administrator (DP/1983/16)  
Evaluation system of the United Nations Development Programme, Report of the JIU (JIU/REP/83/5), Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/68)

#### 5. Programme planning: the third programming cycle, 1982-1986

##### (a) Revised illustrative indicative planning figures for certain countries

##### (i) Illustrative IPF for Lebanon

Pending the establishment by the World Bank of 1978 figures for gross national product and population for Lebanon, the Council in decision 81/16 authorized the Administrator, on an interim basis, to use an amount equal to the second programming cycle as illustrative IPF for the third cycle for Lebanon. In decision 82/16, the Council deferred the determination of Lebanon's illustrative IPF until the thirtieth session. The Administrator reports that it has not yet been possible to obtain the required data and recommends that decision 81/16 concerning an interim illustrative IPF for Lebanon should continue in effect.

#### Documentation

Illustrative indicative planning figure for Lebanon, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/17)

##### (ii) Revised illustrative 1982-1986 indicative planning figures for Equatorial Guinea, Sierra Leone and Togo

The General Assembly decided in its resolution 37/133 to include Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Sao Tome and Principe, Sierra Leone and Togo in the list of least developed countries which constitutes a supplementary

criterion for calculating illustrative 1982-1986 IPFs. In the cases of Djibouti and Sao Tome and Principe, the Council had previously accorded them treatment "as if" they were included in the list and this was already taken into account in calculating their illustrative IPFs. For Equatorial Guinea, Sierra Leone and Togo, the Administrator submits revised illustrative IPFs for the Council's approval.

#### Documentation

Revised illustrative 1982-1986 indicative planning figures for Equatorial Guinea, Sierra Leone and Togo (DP/1983/28)

- (iii) Request from the Government of Liberia to be accorded treatment as if it had been included in the list of least development countries

In its third country programme the Government of Liberia has requested that the Governing Council accord it treatment as if it were included in the list of least developed countries. The Administrator is submitting this request to the Council for its review and decision and provides background information on the previous authorizations by the Council for such treatment.

#### Documentation

Third country programme for Liberia, UNDP assistance requested by the Government of Liberia for the period 1983-1986 (DP/CP/LIR/3)  
Request from the Government of Liberia to be accorded treatment as if it had been included in the list of least developed countries (DP/1983/30)

- (iv) Assistance to Anguilla

Anguilla was finally separated from the Associated State of St. Christopher, Nevis and Anguilla in 1980 and has reverted to the status of dependency of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. A separate illustrative IPF for Anguilla has therefore been calculated and is proposed to the Council.

#### Documentation

Assistance to Anguilla, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/10)

- (v) Independence bonus for St. Kitts-Nevis

The Administrator has been informed that the Associated State of St. Kitts-Nevis will accede to independence in September 1983. In accordance with the Governing Council's decision, this will entitle St. Kitts-Nevis to an increase of its 1982-1986 illustrative IPF. In order to enable the Government



of St. Kitts-Nevis to programme these additional funds as early as possible the Administrator asks for the Council's authorization, conditional upon actual accession to independence.

Documentation

Independence Bonus for Saint Kitts-Nevis, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/51)

(b) Country and intercountry programmes and projects

(i) Resources taken into account for programming

Country programmes for the third programming cycle submitted to the Governing Council at its twenty-eighth and twenty-ninth sessions and its special meeting in February 1983 were all prepared taking into account resources amounting to 80 per cent of the illustrative 1982-1986 IPFs. Similarly, all country programmes submitted to the thirtieth session have been prepared on the same basis as many programmes were at such an advanced stage of preparation that the decision by the Administrator to reduce programming levels to 55 per cent of the illustrative 1982-1986 IPFs could not be uniformly reflected. The note by the Administrator presents a table showing the impact of this reduction on the country programmes submitted to the thirtieth session .

Documentation

Resources taken into account for programming, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/66)

(ii) Trends and problems in the country programmes

The Council will have before it a report of the Administrator in which are reviewed 20 country programmes being submitted to the thirtieth session for consideration and approval. As in previous years, the report is organized in a format similar to that used for the report to the special meetings in May 1982 and February 1983 and has been adopted to meet specific interests expressed by members of the Council at these meetings.

Documentation

Relevant trends and problems in the country programmes proposed for approval in June 1983, Report of the Administrator (DP/1983/60 and Add.1)

(iii) Implementation of selected country programmes

In accordance with paragraph 7 of Council decision 81/15 the Council will receive reports on the implementation of selected country programmes in the various regions.

Documentation

Report on implementation of selected country programmes for Africa  
(DP/1983/61)

Report on implementation of selected country programmes for Arab States  
(DP/1983/62)

Report on implementation of selected country programmes for Asia and the  
Pacific (DP/1983/63)

Report on implementation of selected country programmes for Latin America  
(DP/1983/64)

Report on implementation of selected country programmes for Europe  
(DP/1983/65)

(iv) Consideration and approval of country programmes (including  
requests for extensions)

Rule 4 of the rules of procedure of the Governing Council stipulates that meetings or portions thereof at which proposed country and intercountry programmes and projects are considered shall normally be held in private unless otherwise decided by the Governing Council. This rule notwithstanding, the Governing Council decided at each session since its twenty-fourth session to suspend this rule and to consider country programmes in open meetings, with the understanding that at any time a member of the Council may request that rule 4 be applied.

The Council may therefore wish to decide whether to proceed in accordance with this practice.

Twenty-one country programmes are being submitted for consideration and approval by the Council. A note by the Administrator accompanies those programmes whose resources for the third programming cycle, 1982-1986, including illustrative indicative planning figures and planned cost sharing, amount to \$20 million or more or where there are specific issues which the Administrator wishes to bring to the attention of the Council.

Taking into account all the country programmes which will be considered at the session, the Administrator will also submit a separate note containing a compilation of the various recommendations regarding these country programmes, as well as the regional programme to be considered under item 5(b) (v).

The Council will further have before it, for information, notes by the Administrator on those country programmes which have been extended by the Administrator in accordance with the revised procedures contained in document DP/518 and Corr.1, which the Council endorsed by its decision 81/15.

Documentation

<u>Country</u>	<u>Document</u>	
<u>Africa</u>		
Central African Republic	DP/CP/CAF/3	
Chad	DP/CP/CHD/3	DP/CP/CHD/NOTE/3
Equatorial Guinea	DP/CP/EQG/2	
Ghana	DP/CP/GHA/3	DP/CP/GHA/NOTE/3
Ivory Coast	DP/CP/IVC/3	
Liberia	DP/CP/LIR/3	
Uganda	DP/CP/UGA/2	DP/CP/UGA/NOTE/2
United Republic of Cameroon	DP/CP/CMR/3	DP/CP/CMR/NOTE/3

Arab States

Syrian Arab Republic	DP/CP/SYR/3
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Asia and the Pacific

Iran	DP/CP/IRA/3	DP/CP/IRA/NOTE/3
Kiribati	DP/CP/KIR/1	
Niue	DP/CP/NIU/2	
Sri Lanka	DP/CP/SRL/3	DP/CP/SRL/NOTE/3
Tokelau	DP/CP/TOK/1	
Tuvalu	DP/CP/TUV/1	

Latin America

Belize	DP/CP/BZE/2	
Colombia	DP/CP/COL/3	DP/CP/COL/NOTE/3
Costa Rica	DP/CP/COS/3	
Nicaragua	DP/CP/NIC/3	
Trinidad and Tobago	DP/CP/TRI/3	

Europe

Cyprus	DP/CP/CYP/2
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Extensions

Benin	DP/CP/BEN/EXTENSION
Bolivia	DP/CP/BOL/EXTENSION
El Salvador	DP/CP/ELS/EXTENSION
Suriname	DP/CP/SUR/EXTENSION
Indonesia	DP/CP/INS/EXTENSION

Further documentation before the Council:

Country and intercountry programmes - recommendations, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/L.8)

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(v) Consideration of regional programme

The Council will have before it for its consideration the regional programme for the Arab States.

Documentation

Regional programme for the Arab States, 1982-1986 (DP/RAB/2)

(vi) Global and interregional projects

Under this item, a request for supplementary assistance for one global project is being submitted for consideration and approval of the Council.

The Council will also have before it a document on UNDP support to the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) of the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR).

UNDP's share of the costs for the Technical Advisory Committee and its secretariat has, similarly to the practice of FAO and the World Bank for their shares since 1978, been provided from the UNDP administrative budget. Due to the resource situation of UNDP for 1984 and 1985, the Administrator is requesting the Council to consider transferring these charges in 1984 and 1985 to the global programme. However, the Council is also informed that the global programme has found itself in a situation where the total amount of projects approved by the Council exceeds the amount currently available for that period after the reduction of programming levels. The Administrator is therefore making his request in recognition of the crucial importance of maintaining UNDP support to the TAC and its secretariat and on the understanding that he will present a comprehensive review of the global programme and its funding situation at the mid-term review of the third programming cycle in 1984.

Documentation

Increasing fixation of soil nitrogen and efficiency of soil water use  
(DP/PROJECTS/REC/11)

UNDP support to the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) of the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR), Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/39)

(vii) Approval authority

In accordance with the revised country programming procedures, as contained in document DP/518 and Corr.1 and endorsed by the Council in its decision 81/15, the Council will have before it for consideration and approval two requests by the Administrator for authority to approve assistance to projects submitted by Governments which have never had a country programme or for which the date of submission of the next country programme cannot be determined.

Documentation

<u>Country</u>	<u>Document</u>
Authority to approve assistance to projects for:	
Lebanon	DP/1983/52
Swaziland	DP/1983/32

(c) Use of Special Programme Resources

The Administrator provides an overview of the level and planned uses of Special Programme Resources for 1982-1986 and recommends an allocation of \$610,000 for 1983-1985 for information and communication support for the International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade. He further recommends an allocation of \$1.2 million for the biennium 1984-1985 for promotional activities for technical co-operation among developing countries (TCDC) including \$600,000 for the Information Referral System (INRES) which has previously been financed from the UNDP biennial budget.

Documentation

Use of Special Programme Resources for promotional activities for technical co-operation among developing countries and for support for the International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/29)

6. Other funds and programmes

(a) United Nations technical co-operation activities

The Governing Council will have before it the annual report of the Secretary-General on technical co-operation activities, covering the work of the Department of Technical Co-operation for Development (DTCD) and an overview of the activities of other organizational entities of the United Nations which have responsibility for technical co-operation. In response to General Assembly resolution 37/232, the report is being made available for the first time to the Assembly through the Economic and Social Council, and has been expanded to include, with regard to DTCD, an analysis of the relation between programme delivery and administrative costs, and an evaluation of completed projects.

The report describes the main trends of programmes and activities undertaken by DTCD during 1982 which were funded by the United Nations regular programme of technical co-operation, UNDP, the United Nations Fund for Population Activities and other sources. It draws attention to issues of special concern to the Department, among them the implications of the current resource situation on DTCD's operational structure, and the potential for

making greater use of its technical competence and specialized expertise as an executing agency, DTCDD's activities in connection with the UNDP country programming exercise, the least developed countries, new and renewable sources of energy, pre-investment and investment follow-up, as well as other questions such as the improvement of project monitoring and evaluation.

#### Documentation

United Nations technical co-operation activities, Report of the Secretary-General (DP/1983/18 and Add.1-2)

#### (b) United Nations Fund for Population Activities

##### (i) Report of the Executive Director on 1982 activities

Under this item, the Council will have before it the annual report of the Executive Director of UNFPA, which describes the UNFPA programme during the year 1982. An annex to the annual report of the Executive Director provides supplementary information on the work of the agencies and organizations executing UNFPA programmes and projects. Another document contains a list of all project allocations made in 1982.

#### Documentation

Report of the Executive Director for 1982 (DP/1983/19)

Continuation of report of the Executive Director and annex providing supplementary information on the work in 1982 of agencies and organizations executing UNFPA programmes and projects (DP/1983/19/Add.1)  
Report of the Executive Director on allocations to projects in 1982 (DP/1983/19/Add.2-3)

##### (ii) Future programme of UNFPA

In accordance with Council decision 82/20, the Executive Director will submit to the Council several documents in order that the Council, within its mandate, may conduct a discussion of the future programme of UNFPA.

#### Documentation

Update of the review and reassessment and Work Plan 1984-1987 and request for approval authority (DP/1983/20)  
Report on the future role of the United Nations system in family planning research, including contraceptive research and development (DP/1983/21 and Add.1)  
Report of the Executive Director on past Governing Council debates and decisions which continue to affect UNFPA in the 1980s (DP/1983/22)

(iii) Large-scale projects and programmes

In accordance with a decision made by the Governing Council at its sixteenth session<sup>1</sup>/, the Executive Director is submitting to the Council for its prior approval summaries of projects totalling \$1 million or more, and projects of an innovative nature.

Documentation

Proposed projects and programmes (DP/FPA/PROJECTS/REC/2 through 8)  
Omnibus recommendation by the Executive Director for all proposed projects and programmes (DP/1983/L.9)

(iv) Budgetary matters

The Council will have before it several documents dealing with budgetary matters: biennial budget estimates for the administrative and programme support services for the biennium 1984-1985, proposed revised financial regulations, a report on headquarters and field staffing pattern and manpower requirements of UNFPA, and a progress report on the joint review by UNDP and UNFPA on the various components of the support services provided by UNDP to UNFPA on a subvention basis. It will also have before it relevant comments of the ACABQ.

Documentation

Biennial budget estimates for administrative and programme support services for the biennium 1984-1985 (DP/1983/23 and Corr.1 and 2)  
Financial regulations (DP/1983/24 and Add.1 and 2)  
Report of the Executive Director on his review of the headquarters and field staffing patterns and manpower requirements of UNFPA (DP/1983/25)  
Report of the Executive Director on the joint review by UNDP and UNFPA on various components of the support services provided by UNDP and UNFPA on a subvention basis (DP/1983/INF/3)  
Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (DP/1983/26)

(v) Audit reports

The Council will have before it for consideration reports of the United Nations auditors on UNFPA expenditures through the various executing agencies.

Documentation

Audit reports (DP/1983/27)

(c) United Nations Volunteers

Under this item, the Council will have before it the annual report on the United Nations Volunteers programme. The report provides an account of programme development during 1982 and highlights various relevant areas and special activities in which the programme's contribution continues to prove useful. The report also refers to a number of follow-up activities in line with the recommendations in the Sana'a Declaration.

Finally, the precarious position of the Special Voluntary Fund (SVF) is highlighted in order that the Governing Council might further consider ways and means of ensuring the viability of the SVF to enable it to serve its purposes.

Documentation

United Nations Volunteers, Annual report of the Administrator (DP/1983/31)

(d) United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF)

The Administrator's annual report is submitted to the Governing Council in accordance with the statutory requirements governing the Fund. The report reviews UNCDF operations in 1982, as well as the financial situation of UNCDF under the partial funding system. The report also describes the steps taken to implement Council decision 82/5 which authorized UNCDF to accept trust funds conditioned on procurement in donor countries for a period of one year and which the Administrator recommends to be continued in respect of UNCDF.

Documentation

United Nations Capital Development Fund, Annual report of the Administrator for 1982 (DP/1983/33)

(e) United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration

In accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1762(LIV) the Council will have before it the Administrator's annual report for 1982 on the United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration (UNRFRNRE) which reviews progress achieved in Fund operations. The report also highlights efforts to assist Governments to mobilize the technical and financial resources required for pre-investment follow-up. The serious financial constraints are reported and an appeal is made to Governments to increase voluntary contributions to the Fund. In separate documents, the Administrator recommends the approval of two projects.



Documentation

United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration, Annual report of the Administrator (DP/1983/34)

Precious and base metals exploration in northern Haiti  
(DP/NRE/PROJECTS/REC/2)

Mineral exploration for base metals and gold in Peru  
(DP/NRE/PROJECTS/REC/3)

(f) Technical co-operation among developing countries

In response to Governing Council decision 81/31, the Administrator will present to the High-level Committee on the Review of TCDC, at its third session, and, subsequently to the Council at its thirtieth session, a report covering the financial costs of projects in support of TCDC funded from the country IPFs and contributions from participating Governments.

The Council will also have before it the report of the High-level Committee on the Review of TCDC on its third session, scheduled to take place from 31 May to 6 June 1983 at headquarters.

Documentation

Use of country IPFs for TCDC, Report of the Administrator of UNDP  
(TCDC/3/8)

Report of the High-level Committee on the Review of TCDC on its third session (DP/1983/35)

(g) United Nations Financing System for Science and Technology for Development

The Administrator's report on the Financing System explains the long-term institutional arrangements under which the Financing System is to operate. These arrangements are provided in General Assembly resolution 37/244 and are to come into effect once agreement has been reached on certain pending matters. Until that time the Governing Council retains its responsibility to review the operations of the Financing System while the Administrator provides the supervisory and management overview. The report also summarizes the project operations of the Financing System and its current and targeted financial resources.

Documentation

United Nations Financing System for Science and Technology for Development, Report of the Administrator (DP/1983/36)

(h) Programmes in energy development

By decision 82/25 the Council requested the Administrator to report on the results of the progress of the energy sector assessment surveys. A report describing the progress made and the options for developing countries in dealing with the problems associated with energy development is submitted for the Council's information. In addition, an oral report will be given to the Council updating the programme and providing information on the current level of resources of the energy account.

Documentation

Energy development programme (DP/1983/37)

(i) Activities of the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian office (UNSO) and other assistance to drought-stricken countries in Africa

(i) Plan of Action to Combat Desertification in the Sudano-Sahelian Region

As in previous years, the Administrator is submitting an annual report for 1982 on the implementation in the Sudano-Sahelian region of the Plan of Action to Combat Desertification. The report describes the desertification control programme and project activities supported by UNSO in the region, the principal thrusts of its project identification, implementation and resource mobilization operations, and the role UNSO has played in co-ordination and interorganizational co-operation in the exercise of its desertification control mandate; this report is being submitted primarily for information.

The Administrator is also submitting a note to the Governing Council, in response to its decision 82/28, concerning the level of the United Nations Environment Programme's (UNEP) contributions to the institutional support budget of the UNDP/UNEP Joint Venture for the biennium 1980-1981, and outlining proposals for the financing of UNDP's contributions to the programme support budget of the Joint Venture for the biennium 1984-1985. This note is being submitted for action.

Documentation

The implementation in the Sudano-Sahelian region of the Plan of Action to Combat Desertification, Report of the Administrator (DP/1983/38)  
UNSO-UNDP/UNEP Joint Venture - Financial Matters, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/41)

(ii) Implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Sahelian region

The report of the Secretary-General provides a summary account of the activities undertaken by the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office (UNSO) during 1982 in assisting the eight States members of the Permanent Inter-State

Committee on Drought Control in the Sahel (CILSS), in implementing their programme of medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation from drought. This includes a brief description of the specific accomplishments of UNSO in implementing priority projects, both regional and national, and in the related resource mobilization, as well as a brief outline of other relevant questions. The report also summarizes some of the activities undertaken by UNSO under its mandate of desertification control in the States members of CILSS.

#### Documentation

Implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Sahelian region, Report of the Secretary-General (A/38/152)

#### (iii) Other assistance to drought-stricken countries in Africa

The Council will, under this item, have before it a report by the Administrator, which provides information concerning the drought in various areas of Africa during the most recent crop season. The report will also contain information about emergency food aid requested and the efforts of the international community and the African Governments concerned to mitigate the consequence of unpredictable weather conditions.

#### Documentation

Assistance to drought-stricken countries in Africa (DP/1983/40)

#### (j) United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 36/200, a broad policy review of the United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries is to be undertaken on a biennial basis. The documentation submitted to the Governing Council at its thirtieth session is the first biennial report on the Fund and covers the period 1981-1982. It reviews the resource position of the Fund, describes briefly projects approved and completed during the biennium, and calls for a substantial rise in the level of contributions to the Fund; it concludes that if an increased level of resources is not forthcoming, the continuation of the Fund may be called into question.

#### Documentation

United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries, Report of the Administrator (DP/1983/42)

7. Financial, budgetary and administrative matters

(a) Annual review of the financial situation, 1982

The Council will have before it a report of the Administrator which provides a comprehensive review of the financial operations during 1982 and the financial position as at the end of the year. The report includes estimates of anticipated resources and expenditures for 1983 and 1984, and provides information on costsharing activities. In addition, information is provided on the utilization of accumulated non-convertible currencies, the collection of outstanding accounts receivable, the placement of UNDP funds, the Operational Reserve, and the status of Special Programme Resources and of the Special Measures Fund for the least developed countries.

In accordance with paragraph 5 of Council decision 82/30, this report will also include information on the status of the Reserve for Construction Loans to Governments and related matters, as well as a report on support cost flexibility arrangements pursuant to operative paragraph 8 of decision 82/36.

Documentation

Annual review of the financial situation, 1982, Report of the Administrator (DP/1983/43)

(b) Revised budget estimates for the biennium, 1982-1983 and budget estimates for the biennium, 1984-1985

Under this item, the Administrator will submit for the consideration and approval of the Council revised budget estimates for the 1982-1983 biennium and proposed budget estimates for the 1984-1985 biennium. The Council will also be provided with information on the implementation of the staffing reductions decided upon in 1982 and on the utilization of the appropriation of transitional measures, as requested by operative paragraph 6 of decision 82/31. Detailed information concerning the functions of each organizational unit of UNDP is given in the UNDP Organizational Handbook, copies of which will be available for reference purposes at the meeting of the Budgetary and Finance Committee.

As requested by operative paragraph 2 of decision 82/32, the Administrator will also provide a report on the operational implications for UNDP of paragraph 1 of Governing Council decision 81/26.

The comments of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) on the revised budget estimates for the 1982-1983 biennium and on the proposed budget estimates for the 1984-1985 biennium will also be before the Council for its consideration.

Documentation

Revised 1982-1983 biennial budget estimates and 1984-1985 biennial budget estimates, Report of the Administrator (DP/1983/44)

Comments of the ACABQ, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/45)

Operational implications for UNDP of paragraph 1 of Governing Council decision 81/26 (DP/1983/46)

(c) UNDP financial regulations

Under this item, the Council will have before it reports by the Administrator in respect of the following: (a) those financial regulations and other matters on which consensus was not achieved at the twenty-ninth session and which are, in accordance with decision 82/35, to be considered by the Budgetary and Finance Committee during its meeting commencing immediately prior to the thirtieth session of the Governing Council; (b) guidelines for the procurement of equipment, supplies and services, as requested by operative paragraph 2, Part II, of decision 82/34; and (c) information on those trust funds established by the Administrator in 1982 in the exercise of the authority granted to him under the provisions of financial regulation 5.1. Comments of the ACABQ on (c) will also be made available to the Council. In addition, a report will be submitted to the Council which will provide, as requested by operative paragraph 6 of decision 82/5, part IV, the latest information available concerning the use of the authority granted to the Administrator by operative paragraph 4 of that decision, to accept trust funds conditioned on procurement from a donor country or countries in respect of the operations of the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office, the United Nations Capital Development Fund and the United Nations Fund for Science and Technology Development.

Documentation

Guidelines for the procurement of equipment, supplies and services, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/47)

Matters on which consensus was not achieved at the twenty-ninth session, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/48)

Trust funds established by the Administrator, Report of the Administrator (DP/1983/49)

Comments of the ACABQ, Note by the Administrator (DP/1982/45)

Trust funds conditioned on procurement from a donor country, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/50)

(d) Agency support costs

As requested by operative paragraph 6 of decision 82/36, the Council will be provided with a report dealing with support cost reimbursement arrangements for activities financed by the United Nations Capital Development Fund and United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office, and for projects executed directly by UNDP (Office for Projects Execution).

The Administrator is also submitting a brief note on the subject of ex post facto reporting to the Governing Council on the agency support costs, and will provide more detailed information on the progress made in this matter in an oral report to the Council.

Documentation

Support cost reimbursement arrangements for activities financed by UNCDF and UNSO, and for projects executed directly by UNDP (OPE), Report of the Administrator (DP/1983/54)

Ex post facto reporting on agency support costs, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/53)

(e) Audit reports

Under this item the Administrator will submit to the Council the audited accounts and audit reports of the participating and executing agencies related to funds allocated to them by UNDP as at 31 December 1981, together with his comments on significant observations included in the reports of the external auditors of the agencies. The Council will also be provided with information in response to its decision 82/37 regarding consultations with executing agencies with a view to obtaining audit reports that satisfy more fully the concerns expressed in previous Governing Council decisions, and to provide to the Council estimates of additional costs which may be involved in providing such audit reports.

Documentation

Audit reports, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/55 and Add.1)

(f) Sectoral support

As requested in operative paragraph 8 of decision 82/38, the present report reviews progress made in the matter of the financing of sectoral support activities, especially Senior Industrial Development Field Advisers (SIDFAs); it reports on arrangements having been made to date and presents proposals for the utilization of the sectoral support budget in the future.

Documentation

Sectoral support, Report of the Administrator (DP/1983/56)

8. Other matters

(a) United Nations system regular and extrabudgetary technical co-operation expenditures

In accordance with decision 81/34, which requested the Administrator to continue to provide information relevant to this item until alternative arrangements were made within the United Nations system, the Administrator is

submitting to the Council for its consideration a report containing statistical data and other information on the technical co-operation expenditures of United Nations system organizations in 1982, funded by other than UNDP resources, together with data on the various sources of extrabudgetary financing. Such alternative arrangements referred to in decision 81/34 relate to recommendations of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination regarding the definition of terms and a system-wide review of the existing cross-organizational expenditure reporting requirements of intergovernmental bodies. Moreover, in view of the late availability each year of the data required to prepare the Administrator's report on this question, the Council will also have before it the corresponding report containing data for 1981 in order to give delegates the opportunity for a more thorough review than customary of the relevant information.

#### Documentation

Information on United Nations system regular and extrabudgetary technical co-operation expenditures in 1982 financed from sources other than UNDP, Report of the Administrator (DP/1983/57)

Information on United Nations system regular and extrabudgetary technical co-operation expenditures in 1981 financed from sources other than UNDP, Report of the Administrator (DP/1982/63)

#### (b) Action taken by other organs of the United Nations system in 1982

In accordance with established practice, the attention of the Governing Council will be drawn to those resolutions and decisions adopted by the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and organizations of the United Nations system which call for action or are of relevance to the Council. The appropriate operative paragraphs of those resolutions which require specific action by the Council or UNDP will be quoted for ease of reference. In accordance with Governing Council decision 79/14, the texts of resolutions already referred to in the documentation presented to the Council under other items will, however, not be reproduced. For those resolutions of general interest to the Governing Council and UNDP only titles have been given in accordance with General Assembly resolution 2836 (XXVI).

#### Documentation

Action taken in 1982 by organs of the United Nations and related agencies, Note by the Administrator (DP/1983/58 and Add.1)

#### 9. Matters relating to the work of the Council in 1984

In accordance with its decision 81/37, the Council will have to decide on the dates of its meetings during 1984 and 1985, the subject of the policy review for the thirty-first session, an indicative quota for documents and any other matter of relevance for the conduct of future sessions.

1/ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-fifth session, Supplement No. 2A (E/5365/Rev.1), para. 247.

