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Corrigendum

Paragraph 4

Third sentence: after Secretary-General add (E/1984/3/Add.1)

Delete last sentence



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Note by the Administrator

1. Ten reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (JIU) have been issued since the beginning of 1983. Eight of these are of interest and/or concern to UNDP and to the Governing Council. The titles of these eight reports are listed below, together with pertinent information regarding their present status.

JIU/REP/83/1 United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office (UNSO)

2. The report was circulated to members of the General Assembly under the symbol A/38/180. The comments of the Secretary-General were issued in document A/38/180/Add.1. A summary of the report and of its main conclusions and recommendations can be found in document A/38/34, paragraphs 34-42. The General Assembly's consideration of the report is reflected in resolution 38/225, Implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Sahelian region, of 20 December 1983.

JIU/REP/83/2 United Nations Department of Technical Co-operation for Development

3. The report was circulated to members of the General Assembly under the symbol A/38/172. The comments of the Secretary-General were issued in document A/38/172/Add.1. A summary of the report and of its main conclusions and recommendations can be found in document A/38/34, paragraphs 44-51. The General Assembly's consideration of the report is reflected in resolution 38/234, Questions relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1984-1985, section XI.

JIU/REP/83/3 Progress Report on the Implementation of Recommendations on Regional Programmes in the Conservation and Management of African Wildlife

4. A summary of the report and of its main conclusions and recommendations can be found in document A/38/34, paragraphs 53-55. The report will be issued as an Economic and Social Council document (E/1984/3) and will be considered by the Council at its second regular session, 1984. The report will also be before the Governing Council at its thirty-first session as will be the comments of the Secretary-General. The report and the Secretary-General's comments will be submitted to the Governing Council under the document symbols DP/1984/68 and DP/1984/68/Add.1 respectively.

JIU/REP/83/4 Field Offices of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

5. The report was circulated among members of the Governing Council at its thirtieth session under the symbol DP/1983/67. The comments of the Secretary-General will be issued in document DP/1984/7. In view of the significance of the report to UNDP and to the Governing Council, it has been decided that both the report and the comments of the Secretary-General will be considered in the first instance by the Council at its thirty-first session. Any decision of the Council with respect to the report will be taken into account by the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session.

JIU/REP/83/5 Report on the Evaluation System of the United Nations Development Programme

6. The report was circulated among members of the Governing Council at its thirtieth session as document DP/1983/68. The comments of the Secretary-General will be issued in document DP/1984/9. In view of the significance of the report to UNDP and to the Governing Council, it has been decided that both the report and the comments of the Secretary-General will be considered in the first instance by the Council at its thirty-first session. Any decision of the Council with respect to the report will be taken into account by the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session.

JIU/REP/83/7 United Nations Department of International Economic and Social Affairs

7. The report was circulated among members of the General Assembly under the symbol A/38/334. The relevant comments of the Secretary-General were issued in document A/38/334/Add.1. A summary of the report and of its main conclusions and recommendations can be found in document A/38/34, paragraphs 78-88. The General Assembly's consideration of the report is reflected in resolution 38/234, Questions relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1984-1985, section IX.

JIU/REP/83/9 Office for Projects Execution of the United Nations Development Programme (OPE)

8. The report will be circulated among members of the Governing Council under document symbol DP/1984/8. The comments of the Secretary-General will be issued in document DP/1984/8/Add.1. In view of the significance of the report to UNDP and to the Governing Council, it has been decided that both the report and the comments of the Secretary-General will be considered in the first instance by the Council at its thirty-first session. Any decision by the Council with respect to the report will be taken into account by the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session.

JIU/REP/83/10 Contribution of the United Nations system to conservation and management of cultural and natural heritage in Asia and the Pacific

9. The report was issued by JIU in December 1983 and will be circulated among members of the General Assembly by the Secretary-General under the appropriate agenda item of the Assembly's thirty-ninth session. UNDP co-operated in the preparation of the report. A summary of the report and of its main conclusions and recommendations will be found in document A/39/34.

Recommendations

- 10. With respect to JIU reports in general, the Council's attention is drawn to General Assembly resolution 38/229 of 20 December 1983 in which United Nations organs, when considering reports of the JIU, are invited to bear in mind the recommendation contained in paragraph 12 of the 1983 annual report of the JIU (A/38/34) which reads as follows:
 - "12. Because of the method of discussion of JIU reports in the past, clear decisions on the recommendations contained in JIU reports have not always been taken. This lack of clarity hinders effective follow-up by JIU. Legislative bodies of participating organizations could consider the possibility of adopting formulations along the following lines;
 - (a) Approves recommendations....., and;
 - (b) Approves recommendations....., and in the light of the comments thereon by the Secretary-General (and/or ACC; and/or the debate in the Committee);
 - (c) Reserves its position on recommendations....., and, in the light of the debate in the Committee;
 - (d) Does not approve recommendations, and

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11. Regarding the JIU reports on African wildlife (JIU/REP/83/2), UNDP field offices (JIU/REP/83/4), UNDP's evaluation system (JIU/REP/83/5), and UNDP's Office for Projects Execution (JIU/REP/83/9), the Governing Council after reviewing these reports may wish to consider expressing clearly its views on the respective recommendations of the Inspectors along the lines set forth in paragraph 10 above.