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ASSISTANCE TO THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE

Mauritania, Tunisia and Saudi Arabia: draft decision

Assistance to the Palestinian people

The Governing Council,

Recalling its decisions 79/18 of 26 June 1979, 81/13 of 23 June 1981, 82/13 of 18 June 1982, 83/11 of 24 June 1983 and 84/13 of 29 June 1984 and the relevant provisions of General Assembly resolutions,

Recognizing that the economic and social situation of the Palestinian people continues to require the special and urgent attention of the international community,

Reaffirming the commitment of the United Nations Development Programme to assist the Palestinian people in advancing their economic and social development,

Noting the obstacles encountered in efforts by the international community to bring meaningful and comprehensive development assistance to the Palestinian people in the occupied territories,

Taking note of the report of the Administrator concerning the programme of assistance to the Palestinian people (DP/1985/18),

- 1. Expresses its appreciation to the Administrator for his continuous efforts in the implementation of the programme of assistance to the Palestinian people;
- 2. Recommends that further and vigorous efforts be made urgently in collaboration and direct consultation with all parties concerned, as requested in various relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, to achieve the goals regarding meeting the economic and social needs of the Palestinian people;

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- 3. Expresses its gratitude to those Governments and funds which have responded generously to appeals by the Governing Council and the General Assembly for additional special contributions to the third programming cycle;
- 4. Reconfirms the need for additional special contributions, now made even more urgent by the full commitment of all funds made available from Special Programme Resources, and other sources;
- 5. Notes that, unless additional contributions are received, it will not be possible to undertake in a timely and fully effective fashion the ready pipeline of basic development projects in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip;
- 6. <u>Authorizes</u> the allocation of an additional \$2 million from the third cycle Special Programme Resources in order to maintain the programme's momentum and ensure a smooth transition into the fourth cycle;
- 7. Requests the Administrator to report to the Governing Council at its thirty-third session on the concrete measures taken for the full implementation of the present decision and the result achieved in that respect.