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REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE DRAFTING GROUP TO THE PLENARY

The Drafting Group, having considered the agenda items referred to it from plenary, submits the draft decisions contained in this document and its addenda for adoption by the Governing Council.

Agenda item 6. United Nations Fund for Population Activities: change of title

The Governing Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 2211 (XXI) of 17 December 1966, in response to which a trust fund, subsequently named the United Nations Fund for Population Activities, was established in 1967 by the Secretary-General,

Recalling further operative paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of General Assembly resolution 3019 (XXVII) of 18 December 1972, which placed the United Nations Fund for Population Activities under the authority of the General Assembly, decided that the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme shall be the governing body of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities, and set forth the role and functions of the Governing Council and of the Economic and Social Council with respect to UNFPA,

Also recalling operative paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Economic and Social Council resolution 1763 (LIV) of 18 May 1973, which set forth the aims and purposes of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities,

<u>Proposes</u> to the Economic and Social Council and to the General Assembly, as suggested by the Executive Director of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities, to change the formal title of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities to the United Nations Population Fund, while retaining the well-known

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acronym UNFPA, it being understood that this change in title in no way changes, nor will change, the present mandate, aims and purposes of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities or the role and functions of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly with respect to the United Nations Fund for Population Activities.

Agenda item 6 (b) (iii). Implementation of the strategy for United Nations Fund for Population Activities assistance to sub-Saharan Africa

The Governing Council,

Recalling its decision 86/34/I of 27 June 1986, requesting the Executive Director of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities to present a strategy for United Nations Fund for Population Activities assistance to sub-Saharan Africa,

Having considered with appreciation the report of the Executive Director on the strategy for United Nations Fund for Population Activities assistance in sub-Saharan Africa as contained in document DP/1987/37,

<u>Cognizant</u> of the urgent need for African countries to pursue and implement population policies and promote population awareness with a view to achieving balance between population growth and resources, development and environment,

Emphasizing, therefore, the need for substantial bilateral and multilateral technical and financial assistance for African countries,

- 1. Notes with satisfaction the objectives and goals set out in the strategy by the United Nations Fund for Population Activities for sub-Saharan Africa in the area of population activities and the need to implement the strategy;
- 2. Requests the Executive Director to increase both human and financial resources to African countries for the successful implementation of the strategy and to that end urges all countries that are able to do so to increase their contributions in 1987 and future years, and to make their contribution payments as early as possible in the year for which the pledge is made; and further requests the Executive Director to report to the thirty-fifth session of the Governing Council on steps taken, as well as on short- and long-term requirements;
- 3. Requests also the Executive Director to support and strengthen training institutions in Africa in the area of population policy and development and to assist Governments in setting up training programmes for mid- and lower-level managers at national and subregional levels;
- 4. Requests further the Executive Director to increase support, with the express consent of African Governments, for innovative projects initiated or implemented by non-governmental organizations and in particular national non-governmental organizations.

Agenda item 8 (e). United Nations Fund for Science and Technology for Development and the Energy Account

The Governing Council,

Recalling its decision 86/38 of 27 June 1986 on the establishment within UNDP of a facility for science and technology for development,

<u>Having considered</u> document DP/1987/49 on the United Nations Fund for Science and Technology for Development and the Energy Account,

- l. <u>Takes note</u> of the organizational arrangements made by the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme for the establishment of the Fund within the Bureau for Special Activities and the objectives and functions assigned to the merged programmes;
- 2. Recalls the role of the Intergovernmental Committee on Science and Technology for Development in providing guidance and priorities for the Fund's activities, within the framework of the Vienna Programme of Action and notes the responsibilities of the Council pursuant to General Assembly resolution 41/183 of 8 December 1986 for reviewing all aspects of the Fund's operations and management;
- 3. Requests the Administrator to inform the Council at its thirty-fifth session to what extent the new arrangements have served to enhance the work of the United Nations Development Programme in the fields of science, technology and energy:
- 4. <u>Urges</u> all Governments and the international community as a whole to support the Fund and the Energy Account at the annual pledging conferences for the operational activities of the United Nations and through individual co-financing arrangements and other available co-operative modalities.

Agenda item 8 (c). United Nations Capital Development Fund

The Governing Council

- l. <u>Takes note</u> with satisfaction of the Administrator's annual report on the United Nations Capital Development Fund, including the report on implementation of the partial funding system (DP/1987/47);
- 2. Commends the Administrator on the substantial progress achieved with regard to programme delivery and the expansion of the Fund's activities;
- * [3. <u>Decides</u> that the Fund should modify the partial funding system as proposed in DP/1987/47, and requests the Administrator to report to the Council at its thirty-fifth session on the implementation of the modified partial funding system;]

^{*} Subject to consideration by the Budgetary and Finance Committee.

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- 4. <u>Invites</u> the Administrator to include in future reports to the Council information on the results obtained in the Fund's various fields of action as well as on the experience gained with the different funding modalities used by the Fund;
- 5. <u>Calls upon</u> all countries which make voluntary contributions to the Fund to increase them and appeals to countries in a position to do so to contribute to the Fund so as to enable it to maintain the momentum achieved in the past year in channelling concessional capital assistance first and foremost to the least developed countries, in order to accelerate their economic and social development.
