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Measures concerning documentation for the Governing Council

The Governing Council,

Having great concern about the serious deterioration in the timely provision of documentation for the Governing Council sessions,

Observing with regret that documentation is rarely available six weeks prior to the start of each session and, with growing frequency, not more than a few days before the respective items are to be discussed,

Very concerned that the lateness of documents prevents adequate study by Governments and thereby seriously affects the ability of the Council effectively to carry out its oversight responsibilities for UNDP, and considering that members are increasingly reluctant to address issues before the Council without adequate preparation,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 36/117 B of 10 December 1981 on the simultaneous distribution of documents in all the working languages,

1. Reaffirms its previous decisions 79/33, 83/40, and 85/45 concerning the preparation and timely distribution of documents for the Council;
2. Urges that the Administrator and the heads of other organizations and programmes reporting to the Governing Council take prompt and effective action to rectify this problem;
3. Requests that the Council should be informed at its organizational meeting in February 1988 on the measures taken to provide timely documentation in all working languages.