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Note by the Administrator

Addendum

JIU/REP/87/4  Report on Autonomous Research Institutes of the United Nations

1. The attention of the Governing Council is drawn to recommendation 5 of the report of the Joint Inspection Unit (JIU) on autonomous research institutes of the United Nations (JIU/REP/87/4): "It should be proposed to the UNDP Governing Council to have Member States of the African region pay their assessed contributions to the African Institute for Economic Development and Planning (IDEP) from their indicative planning figures. If this should be approved and implemented the continuity of the Institute would be assured".

2. This proposal was informally discussed several years ago by African Governments, the Economic Commission for Africa and the Regional Bureau for Africa of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). No action was, however, taken.

3. The position of UNDP on this matter, which was communicated to JIU in August 1987, is that there is, in general, no justification for paying assessed contributions to the Institute out of IPF allocations.