ADDITIONAL OF THE REPORT OF THE BUDGETARY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE TO THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

Draft report of the Budgetary and Finance Committee

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAFT REPORT OF THE BUDGETARY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

After consideration of its draft report, the Budgetary and Finance Committee considered the following amendments.

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1. In paragraph 21, line 8, after the Executive Director (OED). insert One delegate stated that that was against the declared intention of the Executive Director to decentralize the decision-making process.

2. Also in paragraph 21, line 9, after programme implementation. insert Referring to paragraph 16 of document DP/1988/42,* one delegate expressed her doubt as to the appropriateness of the role of the Chief of the Office of the Executive Director (OED), including responsibility for overall co-ordination.
3. Also in paragraph 21, line 20, after in which ACABQ insert while taking into account its observations in paragraphs 5 to 8 of its report,

4. In paragraph 24, sixth sentence, for One delegation, read Several delegations

5. Also in paragraph 24, sixth sentence, for noted that one ASG post had been filled read noted that the filling of the second ASG post might have been

6. In paragraph 25, delete last sentence and insert One delegate, however, recommended maintaining the budget in its present form. He considered that the presentation of the UNDP budget should be aligned with that of the present UNFPA format and not the other way around.

7. In paragraph 26, line 5, after in the context of the insert level of the posts of the

8. In paragraph 27, line 4, after programme resources, insert Opinions varied as to the specific projects. However, all delegates considered that the proposed management information project should be funded from the administrative and programme support services budget.

9. In paragraph 29, line 5, after Arabic, add One delegate proposed that in the production of various UNFPA publications, UNFPA management explore making greater use of the production capabilities available in developing countries.

10. In paragraph 39, delete last sentence insert He also stated that the realignment would not change the overall level of the headquarters portion of the 1988-1989 appropriations.

11. In paragraph 44, after first sentence insert It expressed its concern that with regard to reporting procedures within UNFPA, the new organizational chart is a departure from the understanding of the Council in 1981, when the second ASG post was approved by the Governing Council. It further reiterated its view that major reorganizations or realignments should be discussed in advance with ACABQ and the Governing Council.

12. After paragraph 48, add new heading to read Final discussion of the Committee then add new paragraph 49 to read:

One delegation expressed its concern with the reply given by the Executive Director that the reporting procedure agreed upon by the Governing Council in 1981 had not been respected.
13. After paragraph 49, add new paragraph 50 to read:

After the approval by the Committee of the draft decision on the UNFPA item, one delegate indicated that his delegation had joined the consensus on the proposed decision despite its continued serious reservations on the text of the paragraphs dealing with the proposed management information system. He indicated the view that the scope and design of the proposed system was not yet clear; that the relation between the use of the $1.6 million already approved the previous year and the proposed additional appropriation was not clear; and that any figure for partial funding tended to be arbitrary so long as it had no convincing technical and budgetary justification. Thus, it would have been more prudent to defer all further Council decisions on it until the next session of the Council, when a report of UNFPA on office automation, including the development of a management information system, would be before the Council for consideration. He added that it was the understanding of his delegation that the approval of an additional appropriation of $240,000 should not be interpreted as the Council's formal consent on the proposed management information system project, nor should it in any way prejudice the Council's deliberations and consequent decision on the proposed project at the Council's next session,

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14. Delete third preambular paragraph of the draft decision.

15. Delete operative paragraph 3 of the draft decision, insert new paragraph 3 to read:

Requests the Executive Director to maintain for the preparation and presentation of the draft budget for 1990-1991 the current format of the budget presentation and the current appropriation structure.

16. In operative paragraph 5 remove square brackets.

17. Also in operative paragraph 5 at end of paragraph add without prejudice to the overall application of the relevant provisions of General Assembly resolution 41/213.

18. Delete operative paragraph 8, insert new operative paragraph:

Requests the Executive Director to present to the Council, in the context of the 1990/1991 budget presentation, a brief summary on the criteria and procedures of the Fund for establishing and staffing regular and temporary posts.
19. "After new paragraph 8, insert new paragraph 9 to read:

Decides to establish the 289 existing temporary local posts as regular posts in the administrative and programme support services budget, with up to 200 to be established through this decision effective for the current biennium and the balance to be established in the framework of the forthcoming biennial budget.

20. Paragraphs 9 and 10 should be renumbered 10 and 11.


22. In paragraph 12 after submit insert to the Council.

23. After paragraph 12 insert new paragraph 13 to read:

Decides without prejudice to its final decision on the strategy for overall office automation, including the proposed management information system, to include under Programme II of the Administrative and Programme Support Services budget for the biennium 1988-1989 an additional appropriation of $240,000 effective 1 July 1988, for two temporary professional posts for the purpose of assisting and monitoring system development.

24. All subsequent paragraphs to be renumbered accordingly.

25. In renumbered paragraph 20, second line, for $3,969,700 read $3,709,700.

26. Also in (re-numbered) paragraph 20, line 4, for $63,493,400 read $63,233,400.

27. Also in renumbered paragraph 20, line 5, for $59,293,400 read $59,033,400.

28. In table under renumbered paragraph 20, second line, for $15,686.9 read $15,426.9.

29. Also in table, fifth line, for $63,493.4 read $63,233.4.

30. Also in table, seventh line, for $59,293.4 read $59,033.4.

31. At end of renumbered paragraph 21 add and requests her to report thereon to the Council.

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32. After paragraph 12, insert, as subtitle, Recommendation of the Committee.

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33. In paragraph 7, penultimate sentence, for he could not agree that UNDP absorb read UNDP should not absorb.

34. In paragraph 8, second sentence, for acceptable practice in Government accounting read acceptable accounting practice in the public sector.
35. After paragraph 11, insert new paragraph 12 to read:

One member considered that the use of a single appropriation line for core activities did not provide the Council with sufficient control over the management of those activities and that UNDP should follow the recommendation of the Board of Auditors on the question. Other members, noting the views of ACABQ on the subject, considered that the resources appropriated on that line had been effectively managed. The current practice should therefore continue, particularly in view of the additional information on variances between actual expenditure and appropriation estimates, at the level of major categories of expenditure, which would be provided to the Council in the future.

all subsequent paragraphs to be renumbered accordingly.

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36. In paragraph 2, fourth sentence, for decision 81.40 read decision 81/40.
37. Also in paragraph 2, last sentence for $3,282.000 read $3,282,000.
38. In paragraph 6 of the draft decision, second preambular paragraph, first line, for average annual exchange rate in each read average annual values of the currencies in each.
39. Also in paragraph 6, second preambular paragraph, third line, for United States dollar between 1986 and 1987, read United States dollar in 1987 as compared to 1986.
40. In paragraph 6, paragraph 1 of the draft decision, after nine delete larger.
41. Also in paragraph 6, paragraph 1 of the draft decision, after Europe insert referred to above.

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- 42. In paragraph 11, fourth line for who bore the ultimate costs of these capital investments, read who would bear these routine maintenance costs.
- 43. In paragraph 13, line 8, after therefore, the insert non-convertible.
- 44. In paragraph 15, second line, after bond insert a full stop.
- 45. Also in paragraph 15, second line, for while another member read Another member.
- 46. Also in paragraph 15, after the last sentence add One delegation considered that the placements should not be classified as placements in developing countries.
47. In paragraph 33, at end of paragraph add One delegation, however, expressed its view that a consensus on the issue had not yet been achieved in the UNIDO Industrial Development Board and that therefore should await examination of the question by the Intersessional Working Party and a decision on the subject by the deliberating bodies of UNIDO.

48. After paragraph 41, add new paragraph 42 under heading Further discussion in the Committee. However, two delegations stated that for the time being a decision on the question of SIDFAs was not necessary.