The Governing Council,

Having considered the annual report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme for 1987 (DP/1988/18 and Add.1 and 2 (Parts I and II), and Add.3-6 (Parts I and II)),

Taking into account the views expressed during the high-level segment of the thirty-fifth session (1988) of the Council,

1. Notes with appreciation the Administrator's policy statement and his response during the high-level segment;

2. Commends the measures taken by the Administrator that have led to an increase and acceleration in the delivery of programmes over the past three years and in the improvement of the quality of United Nations Development Programme-supported projects;

3. Welcomes the fact that all United Nations Development Programme-supported activities are and will continue to be carried out in accordance with the Consensus as contained in General Assembly resolution 2688 (XXV) and on a grant basis free of conditionality;
4. **Stresses** the importance of strengthening the central funding and co-ordinating role of the United Nations Development Programme for technical co-operation provided by the United Nations system, as determined by the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council;

5. **Welcomes** the information provided by the Administrator on the increasing involvement and role of the United Nations Development Programme in the areas of human development, technical co-operation among developing countries, the United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development, the Special Plan for Central America, and acknowledges the further strengthening of United Nations Development Programme support to activities in the field of women in development, co-operation with non-governmental organizations, the environment and sustainable growth, drug abuse control, the fight against AIDS and the locust plague;

6. **Also welcomes** the assistance rendered by the United Nations Development Programme upon request by Governments to programmes of economic recovery and development and the emphasis accorded to the alleviation of the human and social consequences of adjustment programmes by ensuring the resumption of economic growth and the promotion of human development, in accordance with paragraph 8 of its decision 87/10 of 18 June 1987, and encourages the Administrator to intensify United Nations Development Programme efforts in these areas as well as to identify further ways and means to respond effectively to requests from Governments in these areas;

7. **Calls** on the United Nations Development Programme and the executing agencies to collaborate more closely in order to develop greater capacity for responding effectively and efficiently to the changing priority needs of developing countries;

8. **Notes** in that context the evolving co-operation between United Nations Development Programme and the World Bank, which is based on the full recognition of the respective mandates and policies of both institutions;

9. **Notes with interest** the support of the United Nations Development Programme to private sector initiatives in accordance with paragraph 17 of its decision 84/4 of 29 June 1984 and paragraph 7 of decision 87/10 of 18 June 1987, namely at the specific request of Governments of developing countries and strictly in accordance with their development priorities as a complementary element to the public sector and requests the Administrator to submit a progress report to the thirty-sixth session (1989).
10. Also notes with interest the Administrator's intention to pursue in the appropriate forums of the United Nations system the introduction of greater flexibility in salaries and benefits, particularly for nationally and internationally recruited staff serving in field duty stations;

11. Decides to devote the high-level segment of its thirty-sixth session (1989) to the issue of the development role of the United Nations Development Programme in the 1990s and its response to changing development priorities and requests the Administrator to submit a report to the thirty-sixth session.