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PROGRAMME PLANNING

Country and intercountry programme and projects

EXTENSION OF THE FOURTH COUNTRY PROGRAMME FOR ETHIOPIA

Note by the Administrator

1. The fourth country programme for Ethiopia was approved by the Governing Council at its thirty-third session (1986) for the programme period January 1987 to December 1991.

2. Following the change in Government in 1991, new policies and structures were initiated. The main preoccupation of the country has been to prepare the groundwork for a lasting political and economic order and to provide relief to millions of victims of drought and dislocation. In the light of these circumstances, it has not been possible to adhere to the original timetable for submitting the fifth country programme to the Governing Council at its current session. The Government has confirmed that the objectives and areas of concentration of the fourth country programme remain valid (i.e., rural development and human resource development). The Government has therefore requested a one-year extension of the fourth country programme.

3. The fifth country programme is planned for submission to the Governing Council at its special session in February 1993.

4. The Administrator wishes to inform the Governing Council that he has approved the extension of the fourth country programme for Ethiopia for a period of one year beginning 1 January 1992.