DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME AT ITS ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING FOR 1993 AND ITS SPECIAL SESSION, HELD 16-19 FEBRUARY 1993

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Elections

At its organizational meeting on 16 February 1993, the Governing Council, in accordance with rule 11 of its rules of procedure, elected, by acclamation, the following officers for 1993:

President: H.E. Dr. Martin Adouki (Congo)
Vice-President: H.E. Dr. Oscar Serrate Cuellar (Bolivia)
Vice-President: Mr. Kees P. Rade (Netherlands)
Vice-President: Mr. Bozorgmehr Ziaran (Islamic Republic of Iran)
Vice-President: Mr. Ryszard Rysinski (Poland)

93/1. Schedule of meetings of the Governing Council in 1993 and other organizational matters

The Governing Council

I

Decides that the fortieth session of the Governing Council, including the Standing Committee for Programme Matters, the Budgetary and Finance Committee and the Drafting Group, shall be held in New York from 1 to 18 June 1993;

II

Takes note of document DP/1993/2 and the statements made thereon by the Secretary of the Governing Council and delegations at the organizational meeting on the rationalization of the work of the Council, including measures taken concerning documentation;

III

Decides to waive for its meetings in 1993 rule 22 of its rules of procedure, in so far as that rule refers to the requirement of a quorum of one third of the members of the Governing Council present to open a meeting or to proceed with a debate;

IV

Approves the provisional agenda and tentative schedule of work for its special session from 16 to 19 February 1993 (DP/1993/L.1);

V

Approves the provisional agenda and the tentative schedule of work for its fortieth session (DP/1993/L.2 as orally amended) and on the understanding that the Bureau of the Council be entrusted with the task of adjusting the schedule...
of meetings within the overall allocation of services to ensure a smooth and proper conduct of the Council;

VI

Agrees that the Standing Committee for Programme Matters shall deal with the following subjects at the fortieth session:

(a) Implementation of country programmes in various regions;
(b) All country and intercountry programmes;
(c) Global and interregional projects;
(d) Country and intercountry programmes of the United Nations Population Fund;
(e) Evaluation;

VII

1. Decides to allocate the following items of the provisional agenda for the fortieth session to the Budgetary and Finance Committee:

5. United Nations Population Fund: financial, budgetary and administrative matters;

7. Other funds and programmes: financial and administrative questions;

8. Financial, administrative and budgetary matters. Under this item the Governing Council will consider the following subjects:

(a) Annual review of the financial situation, 1992 (including trust funds);
(c) Audit reports and other matters;
(d) Financial Regulations: matters on which consensus has not yet been achieved;
(e) Procurement from developing countries;

2. Further decides that the Budgetary and Finance Committee shall also review the financial implications of draft decisions before the Governing Council takes action thereon;
VIII

Reaffirms the principles contained in section III, paragraph 4, of Governing Council decision 83/1 of 14 February 1983, which shall guide the deliberations of the Drafting Group;

IX

Agrees to waive the 10-week rule for the submission of documents to be considered by the Governing Council at its fortieth session, as specified in section VI of document DP/1993/L.2.

1st and 7th meetings
16 and 19 February 1993

93/2. Capacity 21

The Governing Council,

Recalling the report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development,

Also recalling General Assembly resolution 47/194 of 22 December 1992,

Recalling further that Agenda 21 calls on the United Nations Development Programme to take a leading role in assisting recipient countries to build their capacities in support of sustainable development and their capacities to implement Agenda 21,

Taking into account the discussions held during its special session in 1993, which stressed the need to clarify further the goals and scope of Capacity 21,

1. Approves the decision of the Administrator to launch Capacity 21;

2. Decides that the United Nations Development Programme should present specific and detailed proposals for the full implementation of Capacity 21 to the Governing Council at its fortieth session, including recommendations on how to distribute Capacity 21 resources;

3. Urges the developed countries and others in a position to do so, to contribute new and additional resources, in particular through Capacity 21.

8th meeting
19 February 1993
Matters relating to the programming cycles: Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Georgia, the Slovak Republic, Slovenia and Tajikistan

The Governing Council,

Welcoming Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Georgia, the Slovak Republic, Slovenia and Tajikistan as recipient countries in the United Nations Development Programme,

1. Approves, in accordance with decision 90/34 of 23 June 1990, the allocation of indicative planning figures and requests the Administrator to inform the Governing Council at its fortieth session (1993) of any revised basic data and the effect on the computation of the indicative planning figures;

2. Authorizes the Administrator to proceed with programme development in these countries at the request of and in close cooperation with the Governments concerned, taking into account other development activities being undertaken in the countries.

8th meeting
19 February 1993

Country, intercountry and global programmes

The Governing Council

1. Approves the following country programmes:

African States

Fifth country programme for Ethiopia
Fifth country programme for Ghana
Fourth country programme for Mauritania
Fourth country programme for Sao Tomé and Principe
Fifth country programme for Swaziland
Third country programme for Zimbabwe

Arab States

Sixth country programme for Algeria
Third country programme for Djibouti
Arab States (continued)

Fifth country programme for Egypt
Third country programme for Lebanon

European States

Fifth country programme for Bulgaria
Fifth country programme for Malta
Fifth country programme for Romania

Asian States

Fifth country programme for Papua New Guinea

Latin American and Caribbean States

Third country programme for Cayman Islands
Fifth country programme for Jamaica
Fifth country programme for Panama

Third country programme for Turks and Caicos Islands

2. Approves the fifth country programme for Rwanda with the provision that the Administrator shall present an interim report to the Council at its fortieth session on the implementation of the country programme as well as the impact which the evolution of the general context of the country may have on the implementation of the programme;

3. Also approves the extension of the third country programme for Cyprus (DP/CP/CYP/3/EXTENSION I);

4. Takes note of the Administrator’s intention to continue to approve projects on a case-by-case basis for Somalia, pending normalization of the situation in the country; and requests the Administrator to report orally to the Council at its fortieth session on the results and progress of UNDP efforts in Somalia and to submit a written report on progress and results to the Council at its special session in February 1994;

5. Takes note of the tentative timetable for mid-term reviews 1993-1995 as contained in document DP/1993/6;

6. Decides (a) to discuss the general question of project approval on a case-by-case basis at its fortieth session and (b) to examine the timetable of
the mid-term reviews at its fortieth session in the light of the views expressed by delegates at the special session.

8th meeting
19 February 1993

93/5. Administrative authority to approve preparatory assistance to global projects

The Governing Council

Approves an increase in the authority granted to the Administrator to approve preparatory assistance to global projects from the present level of $125,000 to $250,000, pending final approval by the Governing Council at its fortieth session (1993).

6th meeting
18 February 1993

93/6. Sectoral support programme: Country Director programme of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization

The Governing Council,

Having considered the need for and possibility of increasing the annual allocation for the Country Director programme of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization on the basis of decision 11 of the Industrial Development Board at its tenth session, adopted on 6 November 1992 in Vienna, and the report of the Administrator (DP/1992/61),

Calling upon the Governments concerned to assume, whenever possible, local costs accruing from the posting of Country Directors to their countries,

1. Authorizes an amount of up to $10.2 million for the Country Director programme of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization for 1992 and 1993, from the total of $19 million earmarked for funding the Programme in the fifth programming cycle under the Sectoral Support Programme;

2. Invites the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to manage the Country Director programme within the overall allocation made within the fifth programming cycle and to organize its activities to sustain the Programme as far as possible through its own resources, it being understood that this matter will be reviewed by the Governing Council at its forty-first session (1994);

3. Underlines that the reallocation authorized above leads to a corresponding reduction of yearly allocations for the last three years of the cycle.

6th meeting
18 February 1993

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93/7. United Nations technical cooperation activities

The Governing Council,

Recalling its decisions 91/38 of 25 June 1991 and 92/34 of 26 May 1992,

Bearing in mind the Secretary-General's intention to have the new Department for Development Support and Management Services serve as a focal point for the provision of management services for technical cooperation, combining the relevant core functions of the Office for Project Services and the former Department of Technical Cooperation for Development,

Stressing its role in providing governance on the technical cooperation activities of the United Nations Development Programme,

Requests the President of the Governing Council to bring the present decision expressing the following concerns to the attention of the General Assembly at its resumed forty-seventh session and, as appropriate, to the Fifth Committee:

(a) The need to consider the continuing role of the Governing Council in relation to the Office for Project Services;

(b) The need to maintain, as a minimum, the current degree of autonomy of the Office for Project Services, including its self-financing principle, and to improve further its effectiveness and efficiency and the delivery of United Nations Development Programme-financed technical cooperation;

(c) The fact that the Governing Council will review the financial, administrative and personnel implications for the budget of the United Nations Development Programme at its fortieth session (1993);

(d) Bearing in mind paragraphs 24, 25 and 27 of General Assembly resolution 47/199 of 22 December 1992, the need to ensure to the maximum extent possible the delegation of authority to the Resident Coordinator for the implementation of activities of the Office for Project Services.

6th meeting
19 February 1993
The activities of the United Nations Development Programme in the Baltic States and the Commonwealth of Independent States

The Governing Council

Takes note of the report of the Administrator on provisional activities of the programmes undertaken in the Baltic States and the Commonwealth of Independent States (DP/1993/5), as well as the interventions made thereon at the present session.

8th meeting
19 February 1993

Dec. 93/9: Report on decision