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OPENING OF THE SESSION AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

## Provisional agenda and organization of work of the fortieth session

### Note by the secretariat

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its organizational meeting on 16 February 1993, the Governing Council 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)

- 2. In accordance with Governing Council decision 93/1 of 16 and 19 February 1993, the fortieth session of the Council will be held in New York from 1 to 18 June 1993.
- 3. By its decision 93/1, the Governing Council approved the provisional agenda for its fortieth session (see annex I), and the tentative schedule of work (see annex III). In accordance with paragraph 9 of decision 92/2 of 14 February 1992, a table of subjects on the agenda of the Governing Council, 1992-1995 is provided in annex II.
- 4. The tentative schedule of work set out in annex III shows the proposed schedule for the plenary, the Standing Committee for Programme Matters, the Budgetary and Finance Committee and the Drafting Group. The consideration of the various items is scheduled to avoid simultaneous meetings by the sessional bodies dealing with the same matter. The Governing Council approved the tentative schedule of work by its decision 93/1, 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 session.
- 5. Meetings will normally be scheduled from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. In that context, it may be recalled that, by section I, paragraph 3 (j), of its decision 81/37 of 27 June 1981, the Governing Council decided that its meetings should start promptly at their scheduled time. The Council, by section III of its decision 93/1, decided to waive rule 22 of its rules of procedure for its meetings in 1993, in so far as that rule refers to the requirement that there be a quorum of one third of the members of the Council present to open a meeting or to proceed with a debate.

#### II. STANDING COMMITTEE FOR PROGRAMME MATTERS

6. In paragraph 4 of its decision 91/2 A of 22 February 1991, the Governing Council decided that the Standing Committee for Programme Matters should work within the framework of procedures of the Council, in a similar manner to the Budgetary and Finance Committee, taking into account, <u>inter alia</u>, the latter's

practice with respect to the organization of work, the preparation of decisions, as well as the reporting to the plenary meetings of the Council.

- 7. The Governing Council, by section VI of its decision 93/1 and in accordance with its decisions 90/23 of 23 June 1990 and 91/2, agreed that the Standing Committee for Programme Matters should deal with the following items 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 (UNFPA);
  - (e) Evaluation.
- 8. UNFPA will submit 15 country programmes to the Governing Council and UNDP will submit 27 country programmes and 15 extensions. This will require that most of the meetings of the Standing Committee for Programme Matters be dedicated to consideration of country programmes.

#### III. BUDGETARY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

9. The Governing Council, by section VII of its decision 93/1, decided to allocate to the Budgetary and Finance Committee item 8 of the Council's provisional agenda. The Council further decided to allocate to the Committee financial, budgetary and administrative questions related to item 5 (United Nations Population Fund) and to item 7 (Other funds and programmes). As in the past, the Committee will review the financial implications of draft decisions before action is taken by the Council, especially in light of decision 86/53 of 27 June 1986. Moreover, the Council, at the beginning of its regular session, may refer a number of items on its agenda having financial implications to the Budgetary and Finance Committee for prior consideration of these aspects.

#### IV. DRAFTING GROUP

- 10. In accordance with section I, paragraph 3 (k), of decision 81/37, decision 85/47 of 29 June 1985 and the annex to decision 87/50, arrangements have also been made for the servicing of a Drafting Group of the Governing Council during its fortieth session.
- 11. By section III, paragraph 4, of its decision 83/1 of 14 February 1983, the Governing Council endorsed the principles which should guide the deliberations of the Drafting Group. The Drafting Group will elaborate and finalize draft decisions on those items referred to it by the plenary for the ultimate adoption of such decisions by the Council. All draft decisions formulated by the Drafting Group having financial implications must be referred to the Budgetary and Finance Committee before action is taken by the Council. The Council may also assign to the Drafting Group other specific tasks, as required.

#### Annex I

#### PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE FORTIETH SESSION

- 1. Opening of the session and adoption of the agenda.
- 2. Annual report of the Administrator for 1992 and programme-level activities:  $\underline{\mathbf{a}}/$ 
  - (a) Environment and development;
  - (b) The activities of the United Nations Development Programme in combating HIV/AIDS;
  - (c) Women in development;
  - (d) Regional economic integration;
  - (e) Non-governmental and grass-roots organizations;
  - (f) Management Development Programme.
- 3. Special programmes of assistance:
  - (a) Role of UNDP in the implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s;
  - (b) Matters relating to the least developed countries;
  - (c) Assistance to the Palestinian people.
- 4. Programme planning and implementation:
  - (a) Country, intercountry and global programmes; b/
  - (b) Matters relating to the programming cycles; c/
  - (c) National execution and agency support costs;
  - (d) National capacity-building;
  - (e) Programme management issues, including decentralization and the programme approach;
  - (f) Coordination, including multilateral coordination and complementarity;
  - (q) Evaluation;
  - (h) Issues relating to programme quality, impact, sustainability, efficiency and programme/project audits. <u>d</u>/

- 5. United Nations Population Fund:
  - (a) Annual report of the Executive Director for 1992 and programme-level activities; e/
  - (b) Country programmes;
  - (c) Financial, budgetary and administrative matters.  $\underline{f}$
- 6. United Nations technical cooperation activities.
- 7. Other funds and programmes:
  - (a) United Nations Development Fund for Women;
  - (b) United Nations Capital Development Fund;
  - (c) United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office.
- 8. Financial, budgetary and administrative matters:
  - (a) Annual review of the financial situation, 1992 (including trust funds);
  - (b) Budget estimates for 1994-1995 and revised budget estimates for 1992-1993; q/
  - (c) Audit reports and other matters;
  - (d) Financial regulations: Matters on which consensus has not yet been achieved;
  - (e) Procurement from developing countries.
- 9. Technical cooperation among developing countries. h/
- 10. Other matters:
  - (a) Venue of sessions of the Governing Council;
  - (b) Proposal concerning location of United Nations Development Programme and United Nations Population Fund headquarters;
  - (c) Senior management structure;
  - (d) United Nations system regular and extrabudgetary technical cooperation expenditures;
  - (e) Implications for the United Nations Development Programme, in particular for the Office for Project Services, of recent decisions on administrative reform of the United Nations Secretariat.
- 11. Matters relating to the work of the Council in 1994.

#### Notes

- $\underline{a}/$  The annual report of the Administrator for 1992 will contain information on humanitarian programmes as requested in para. 13 of decision 92/20 as well as information on the subjects referred to in decision 92/2, para. 1, including:
  - (i) Implementation of country, regional, interregional, global and Special Programme Resources-funded programmes;
  - (ii) Important highlights of activities of other funds and programmes, including the United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration and the United Nations Fund for Science and Technology for Development;
  - (iii) Significant steps taken by the United Nations Development Programme to follow up resolutions and decisions adopted by the General Assembly and by other organs and organizations of the United Nations system, especially resolutions dealing with operational activities for development of the United Nations system. This will include follow-up to General Assembly resolutions 47/100 of 16 December 1992 and 47/199 of 22 December 1992;
  - (iv) Human Development Report;
  - (v) Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit of interest to the United Nations Development Programme;
  - (vi) Any other matters to be brought to the attention of the Governing Council.
- <u>b</u>/ This will include a report concerning assistance to Myanmar, as requested in decision 92/26, para. 2, and a report of the President of the Governing Council containing a synthesis of the findings and recommendations contained in the reports on field visits of the Standing Committee for Programme Matters in 1992.
  - c/ This will include the following:
  - (i) Communications received from Member States containing requests to be given recipient status;
  - (ii) A complete list of indicative planning figures for the fifth cycle, as requested in para. 6 of decision 92/30;
  - (iii) Information on any revised basic data relating to indicative planning figures, as requested in para. 1 of decision 92/29;
  - (iv) Issues relating to the methodology for allocating programme resources in the sixth programming cycle, as requested in para. 13 of decision 91/29.

- $\underline{d}/$  This will include a report on the efficiency of programming and the comparative advantages of the United Nations Development Programme (91/31 and 92/2, para. 8 (c)).
  - e/ This will include the following:
  - (i) Report of the Executive Director for 1992;
  - (ii) Work plan for 1994-1997 and request for programme expenditure authority;
  - (iii) Status of financial implementation of Governing Council-approved UNFPA country programmes and projects;
    - (iv) Progress report on UNFPA successor support cost arrangements;
    - (v) Review of the Fund's experience in implementing the priority country system;
    - (vi) Collaborative programming activities with the World Bank and the regional development banks.
    - f/ This will include the following:
    - (i) Biennial budget estimates for administrative and programme support services for the 1994-1995 biennium;
  - (ii) Annual financial review, 1992;
  - (iii) Audit reports;
  - (iv) Proposed revisions to the UNFPA financial regulations.
  - g/ This will include the following:
  - (i) The experiences and utilization of the Development Support Services (91/46, para. 39 and 92/2, para. 8 (d));
  - (ii) The reports requested in decision 92/37 concerning revised budget estimates for the 1992-1993 biennium;
  - (iii) The proposals requested in para. 3 of decision 92/4 on assistance to Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, the Sudan and Yemen.
    - h/ This will include the following:
- (a) Report of the eighth session of the High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries, to be held in New York, 24-28 May 1993;
- (b) Report on the implementation of decision 91/7, as requested in part A, para. 2, and part B, para. 4 of that decision.

Annex II

SUBJECTS ON THE AGENDA OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL, 1992-1995

	Years		onsidera ojects	ation
High-level segment	1992		1994	
Annual report of the Administrator including, inter alia, information as requested in paragraph 1 of decision 92/2	1992	1993	1994	1995
Programme-level activities				
Environment and development	1992	1993	1994	1995
The activities of UNDP in combating HIV/AIDS		1993		1995
Women in development		1993		1995
Regional economic integration		1993		
Non-governmental and grass-roots organizations		1993		
Management Development Programme		1993		
Micro-capital grants	1992			
Human Development Report	1992			
Private sector in development	1992			
International Year for the World's Indigenous People	1992			
Special programmes of assistance				
Role of UNDP in the implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s	1992	1993	1994	1995
Matters relating to the least developed countries		1993		1995
Assistance to the Palestinian people	1992	1993	1994	1995
Humanitarian programmes, including refugees, displaced persons, returnees and the UNDP response to emergencies	1992		1994	

	Years		onsidera bjects	ation
Assistance to national liberation movements	1992		1994	
Impact of the Gulf crisis	1992			
Progress report on the implementation of three evaluations	1992			
Assistance to Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, the Sudan and Yemen	1992			
UNDP participation in international cooperation to address and mitigate the consequences of the accident at Chernobyl	1992			
Programme planning and implementation				
Country, intercountry, global and Special Programme Resources programmes and projects	1992	1993	1994	1995
Matters relating to the programming cycles	1992	1993	1994	1995
National execution and agency support costs	1992	1993	1994	1995
National capacity-building	1992	1993	1994	1995
Programme management issues, including decentralization and the programme approach	1992	1993	1994	1995
Coordination (including in 1993: Multilateral coordination and complementarity (92/15))	1992	1993	1994	1995
Evaluation	1992	1993	1994	1995
Issues relating to programme quality, impact, sustainability, efficiency and programme/project audits (including in 1993: Efficiency of programming and the comparative advantages of UNDP (91/31))	1992	1993	1994	1995
Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund	1992	1993	1994	1995
Status report on the implementation of the strategy for UNFPA assistance to sub-Saharan Africa		1993		

	Years		onsider bjects	ation
Status report on the implementation of strategy to strengthen the capacity of the Fund to deal with issues concerning women, population and development		1993		
UNFPA: Programme-level_activities				
UNFPA country and intercountry programmes	1992	1993	1994	1995
Work plan and request for programme expenditure authority	1992	1993	1994	1995
Status of financial implementation of Governing Council-approved UNFPA programmes and projects	1992	1993	1.994	1995
UNFPA successor arrangements for agency support costs	1992			
Progress report on the implementation of the UNFPA Country Support Teams		1993		1995
Periodic report on evaluation	1992		1994	
Guidelines on national execution	1992			
Medium-term operational strategy	1992			
Review of the Fund's experience in implementing the priority country system		1993		
Collaborative programming activities of UNICEF and UNFPA	1992			
Collaborative programming activities with the World Bank and regional development banks		1993		
Global initiative on contraceptive requirements and logistic management needs			1994	
UNFPA: Financial, budgetary and administrative matters				
Annual financial review	1992	1993	1994	1995

	Years	for considerati		ation
Biennial budget estimates for administrative and programme support services and revised budget estimates		1993		1995
Audit reports	1992	1993	1994	1995
Proposed revisions to the UNFPA financial regulations	1992	1993		
United Nations technical cooperation activities	1992	1993	1994	1995
Other funds and programmes				
United Nations Development Fund for Women		1993		1995
United Nations Capital Development Fund		1993		1995
United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office		1993		1995
United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration and United Nations Fund for Science and Technology for Development			1994	
United Nations International Short-Term Advisory Resources and Transfer of Knowledge through Expatriate Nationals			1994	
United Nations Volunteers programme	1992		1994	
Financial, budgetary and administrative matters				
Annual review of the financial situation (including trust funds)	1992	1993	1994	1995
Revised budget estimates for current biennium (including in 1993: Experiences and utilization of the development support services (91/46, para.39))	1992	1993	1994	1995
Budget estimates for next biennium		1993		1995
Audit reports	1992	1993		1995
Report on the status of management services	1992		1994	
Financial regulations: Matters on which consensus has not yet been achieved	1992	1993		1995

	Years	for cons		ation
Procurement from developing countries		1993		1995
Technical cooperation among developing countries		1993		1995
Other matters				
Venue of the sessions of the Governing Council	1992	1993		
Proposal concerning location of UNDP and UNFPA headquarters	1992	1993		
Senior management structure	1992	1993		
United Nations system regular and extrabudgetary technical cooperation expenditures		1993		1995
Implications for UNDP, in particular for OPS, of recent decisions on administrative reform of the United Nations Secretariat		1993		
The activities of UNDP in the Baltic States and the Commonwealth of Independent States	1992	1993		
Rationalization of the work of the Governing Council	1992	1993 19	994	1995

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Week 1

	Week 1									
	TUES 1 June AM	SDAY: 8*1993 PH		PM	THURS 3 June AM		FRIDA 4 June AM	Y 1993 PH		
COUNCIL (Plenary)	Opening of the session and adoption of agenda (1)  UNFPA: Annual report of the Executive Director General debate on the annual report	UNFPA: Report on Country Support Teams Report on implementing the priority country system	UNFPA: Report on collabora- tive activities with the World Bank Work plan Status of financial implementa- tion	Communications received containing requests to be given recipient status (6) National execution and agency support costs (4)	Special programmes of assistance (3): UN-NADAF Assistance to the Palestinian people Least developed countries	Other funds and programmes (7): UNCDF	UNIFEM  12.30: Annual report of the Administrator (2) (Introduction)	(7) Continued		
STANDING COMMITTEE FOR PROGRAMME MATTERS (SCPM)	11:00: Opening and organiza-tional matters  SCPM report  Field visits  Country programmes  AFRICA	Country programmes AFRICA	Country programmes AFRICA	UNFPA: Country programmes AFRICA	UNFPA: Country programmes AFRICA	UNFPA: Country programmes ASIA AND THE PACIFIC AND LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN	Country programmes AFRICA	Country programmes ASIA AND THE PACIFIC		
BUDGETARY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE (BFC)		Opening and organizational matters  Annual financial review  Statement by the Associate Administrator	Audit reports and other matters UNDP financial regulations	Procurement from developing countries	Revised budget estimates 1992-1993 and budget estimates 1994-1995	Continued	UNFPA: Budget estimates 1994-1995; Annual financial review; Audit report; Financial regulations and report of ACABQ	UNFPA: Continued		
GROUP						<u> </u>		(		

Week 2

Week 2										
	MONDAY 7 June 1993 AM PM		TUESDAY 8 June 1993 AM PM		WEDNESDAY 9 June 1993 AM PM		THURSDAY 10 June 1993 AM PM		FRIDAY 11 June 1993 AM PM	
COUNCIL (Plenary)	Annual report of the Administrator and programme-level activities (2), including:  (a) Environment and development  (c) Women in development  (d) Regional economic integration  (e) Non-governmental and grass-roots organizations  (f) Management development programme	(2) Continued	(2) Continued	(2) Continued		Venue of sessions of the Governing Council (10) Proposal concerning location of UNDP and UNFPA headquarters (10) Matters relating to programming cycles (4): List of IPFs for the fifth cycle, follow-up to 92/29,para.1 and sixth cycle methodology	United Nations technical cooperation activities (6)  Implica- tions for UNDP, in particular for OPS, of recent decisions on admini- strative reform of the United Nations Secretariat 10 (e) Senior management structure (10)			
STANDING COMMITTEE FOR PROGRAMME MATTERS (SCPM)					Country programmes ASIA AND THE PACIFIC	Country programmes ASIA AND THE PACIFIC; ARAB STATES	Country programmes ARAB STATES	Country programmes EUROPE; LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN	Country programmes LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN	Country programmes LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN
BUDGETARY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE (BFC)	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting			Meeting	Meeting	Meeting
DRAFTING GROUP	Decisions	Decisions	Decisions	Decisions	Decisions		Decisions	Decisions	Decisions	Decisions

Week 3

Week 3										
		DAY e 1993 PM	TUESI 15 June AM		WEDNI 16 Jun AM		THUR: 17 June AM		FRII 18 June AM	DAY 9 1993 PM
COUNCIL (Plenary)	National capacity- building (4)  Coordination, including multilateral coordination and comple- mentarity (4)  Efficiency of programming, including the comparative advantages of UNDP (4)			HIV/AIDS (2(b)) United Nations system regular and extrabudge- tary technical cooperation expenditures (10)	Technical cooperation among developing countries including report of 8th session of the High-level Committee and follow- up to decision 91/7 (9) Outstanding matters from previous plenary meetings		List of reports requested in draft decisions Matters relating to the work of the Council in 1994 (11)			Reports from SCPM, BFC and the Drafting Group Adoption of decisions Closure of the session
STANDING COMMITTEE FOR PROGRAMME MATTERS (SCPM)		Evaluation (4)	Programme management, including de- centralization and programme approach (4)  Future programme of work	Draft report		Draft report				
BUDGETARY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE (BFC)	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting		Draft report	Draft report				
DRAFTING GROUP	Decisions	Decisions	Decisions	Decisions	Decisions	Decisions	Decisions			

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