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EXTENSION OF THE SECOND COUNTRY PROGRAMME FOR THE
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

<u>Programme period</u>	<u>Resources</u>	<u>\$</u>
1993	Net IPF	60 000
	Estimated cost-sharing	<u>50 000</u>
	Total	<u>110 000</u>

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I. JUSTIFICATION

1. The second country programme for the British Virgin Islands was approved by the Governing Council at its thirty-third session for the 1987-1991 period and subsequently extended by the Administrator for one year, beginning January 1992. The British Virgin Islands attained net contributor country status at the beginning of the fifth cycle. The Administrator informed the Governing Council, at the thirty-ninth session, that the extension was required to allow sufficient time for arrangements to be successfully concluded for financing the fifth country programme.

2. It is expected that the new country programme will be submitted to the Governing Council at its regular session in June 1994. The negotiations between the Government and UNDP are continuing within the context of difficult national economic conditions. At the same time, an indicative planning figure (IPF) of \$102,000 cannot, in the Government's view, provide for a meaningful technical cooperation programme.

3. During the extension period, it is expected that two initiatives will be pursued. First, efforts will continue to secure supplementary financial resources from the Government, as well as from other donors. Second, negotiations with UNDP and the United Nations system will continue in the expectation that commitments will be made for more efficient and effective technical cooperation in the future. The successful conclusion of these negotiations will enable preparation of a viable country programme. The Government had therefore requested that the second country programme be extended for an additional year, beginning 1 January 1993, to permit these efforts to be brought to fruition.

II. OBJECTIVES

4. The extension of the country programme will facilitate examination of these complex issues. Commitments from the United Nations development system for more effective coordination and delivery of technical support will contribute substantially to involving additional donors in future programmes. These financial commitments will, in turn, contribute to advancing a process which can secure continued government participation in UNDP programmes and lead to preparation of the third country programme.

5. At the same time, the objectives of the second country programme remain valid. These objectives foresaw UNDP support for government land-use planning, taking account of the demands of a rapidly expanding tourism industry. The extension of the programme will enable the completion of a pilot project in the use of computer technology to support improved management of a large body of existing data, including topographic and cadastral maps, which is essential in sound land-use planning.

III. RECOMMENDATION

6. The Administrator recommends that the Governing Council approve the second extension of the second country programme for the British Virgin Islands.

IV. FINANCIAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED RESOURCES TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT FOR PROGRAMMING

	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>
A. <u>Ongoing country programme</u>		
Fourth cycle IPF	258 000	
Carry-over from third cycle	<u>(18 000)</u>	
Fourth-cycle net entitlement		240 000
Cost-sharing		<u>318 000</u>
Total		558 000
Fourth cycle expenditures		
IPF	210 000	
Cost-sharing	<u>318 000</u>	<u>528 000</u>
Fourth cycle IPF carry-over		<u>30 000</u>
B. <u>Anticipated resource needs for extension period</u>		
IPF	60 000	
Programme cost-sharing	-	
Project cost-sharing	<u>50 000</u>	
Total		<u>110 000</u>
C. <u>Fifth cycle balance available after extension period</u>		
Fourth cycle carry-over	30 000	
Fifth cycle IPF	102 000	
Programme cost-sharing a/	-	
Project cost-sharing	<u>175 000</u>	
Total		<u>307 000</u>

	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>
<u>Less</u>		
IPF estimated 1992 expenditures	(11 000)	
IPF estimated 1993 expenditures	<u>60 000</u>	
Total		<u>49 000</u>
Project cost-sharing		
1992 estimated expenditures	125 000	
1993 estimated expenditures	<u>50 000</u>	<u>175 000</u>
Total		<u>224 000</u>
 Balance		
IPF	83 000	
Project cost-sharing	-	
Total balance		<u>83 000</u>

a/ To be determined during 1993.
