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Request for authority to approve assistance to
projects of the Government of Lebanon

Note by the Administrator

1. Due to circumstances beyond its control, the Government of Lebanon was unable to submit a country programme for the second cycle, 1977-1981. The Government is now scheduled to submit its second country programme to the Governing Council at its June 1983 session. Consequently, in accordance with the revised country programming procedures for the third cycle, 1982-1986, as contained in document DP/518 and endorsed by the Council in its decision 81/15, the Administrator is hereby requesting authority to approve assistance to projects which are submitted by the Government in the interim.
2. Should the Council grant such approval authority to the Administrator, he will proceed with appraisal and approval action on requests for UNDP assistance to projects in accordance with the decisions of the Governing Council that expenditure be kept in reasonable conformity with the relevant indicative planning figure (IPF) and always subject to the over-riding requirement of containing expenditures within the financial resources available at any given time, so as to preserve the financial integrity of the Programme.
