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APPROVAL AUTHORITY

Request for authority to approve assistance to projects of the Government of Kiribati<sup>1</sup>/

## Note by the Administrator

- 1. The Administrator has been informed that the Government of Kiribati, due to circumstances beyond its control, is unable to submit its first country programme to the Governing Council for its consideration and approval until June 1983. 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 decision of the Governing Council that expenditures 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.

<sup>1/</sup> Previous UNDP-supported activities in Kiribati were carried out within the framework of the country programme for the Gilbert and Ellice Islands, 1972-1976 (documents DP/GC/GEI/R.1 and DP/GC/GEI/R.1/RECOMMENDATION).