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SPECIAL MEETING ON PREPARATIONS
FOR THE THIRD PROGRAMMING CYCLE, 1982-1986
11-15 February 1980

RECORD OF THE MEETING

Introduction

1. The Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme held seven meetings at United Nations Headquarters, New York from 11 to 20 February 1980 to consider proposals on preparations for the third programming cycle, 1982-1986, in accordance with Council decision 79/49, operative paragraph 2(a).^{1/} The Council also considered a proposal submitted by the Administrator for limited borrowing from the third cycle in accordance with Council decision 79/31, operative paragraph 9 ^{2/}. In addition, under agenda item 3, Matters arising from action taken by the General Assembly at its thirty-fourth session, the Council also considered the following matters: assistance to Nicaragua: special measures to be taken in favour of Equatorial Guinea; establishment of an Indicative Planning Figure (IPF) for Zimbabwe for the remainder of the second programming cycle, 1980-1981; and a progress report of the Administrator on the Interim Fund for Science and Technology for Development.

Organization of the session

2. The meeting was opened by the First-Vice President, Mr. Douglas Lindores (Canada), who informed the Council of the inability of the President, the Honourable Sir Vijay Singh (Fiji) to participate in the proceedings. In accordance with paragraph 2 of rule 12 of its Rules of Procedure, therefore the Council elected by acclamation H.E. Ambassador Berenado Vunibobo (Fiji) as President for the remainder of the unexpired term, having first decided to suspend the application of rule 11. The Council was also informed that Mr. Ales Strauss (Czechoslovakia), the Rapporteur, would not be able to attend the meeting. Accordingly, the Council elected by acclamation Mr. Jaromír Felcman (Czechoslovakia) as Rapporteur for the remainder of the unexpired term.

3. Members of the Governing Council and observers which were represented at the meeting are listed in annex II to this record.

^{1/} See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council 1979 Supplement No. 10 (E/1979/40), Chapter XXI, section S.

^{2/} Ibid, Chapter XXI, Section F

4. At its 668th meeting, the Governing Council adopted the agenda reproduced in annex I to this record. At the same meeting, the Council decided, on the basis of a proposal by the President, that the record of this Special Meeting would consist essentially of the decisions taken and appropriate references to the relevant summary records.

5. The views expressed by delegations on agenda item 1, Preparations for the third programming cycle, are contained in DP/SR.668-674. The views expressed by delegations on agenda item 2, Transition from the second UNDP programming cycle, 1977-1981, to the third cycle, 1982-1986: limited borrowing from the third cycle, are contained in DP/SR. 673-674. The views expressed by delegations on agenda item 3, Matters arising from action taken by the General Assembly at its thirty-fourth session, are contained in the following summary records: Assistance to Nicaragua, DP/SR. 672 and 674; Assistance to Equatorial Guinea, DP/SR.673; Establishment of an IPF for Zimbabwe for the remainder of the second programming cycle, 1980-1981, DP/SR.673; and Progress report on the Interim Fund for Science and Technology for Development, DP/SR.673.

Other matters

6. At its 674th meeting, the Council agreed that with respect to some proposed projects of the United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration, for which the implementation had to be undertaken without delay because of the climatic conditions in the countries concerned, approval by correspondence would be acceptable. It was understood that delegations could comment further on these projects at the Council's twenty-seventh session.

7. At the same meeting, the Council noted that in accordance with relevant General Assembly and Economic and Social Council resolutions on the control and limitation of documentation, the report of the Council on its twenty-seventh session and subsequent reports, would consist essentially of the decisions of the Council with references, as appropriate, to the pertinent summary records.

DECISIONS

8. At its 673rd and 674th meetings on 14 and 20 February 1980, the Governing Council adopted the following decisions:

80/1. Limited borrowing from the third cycle

The Governing Council,

1. Authorizes the Administrator, subject to over-all resource availability, to:

(a) Apply, in the current cycle, an amount not to exceed the anticipated under-spending of certain country IPFs to other country IPFs which are expected to increase in the third cycle by some 50 per cent, or more, calculated on the assumption of annual growth in contributions of 10 per cent. The borrowing for individual countries will not exceed 20 per cent of the individual second cycle IPFs;

(b) Apply, in the current cycle, an amount not to exceed the anticipated under-spending of certain regional IPFs to other regional programme IPFs, The borrowing from the third cycle will not exceed 15 per cent of the individual second cycle regional programme IPFs;

2. Agrees that the amount to be borrowed from the next cycle for any country or regional programme, under the conditions spelled out in (a) above, be limited to the amount required to ensure a smooth transition from the current cycle to the next;

3. Notes that the amount of under-spending or over-spending in any IPF programme in the second cycle will be credited or debited to the respective third cycle IPFs; and

4. Agrees to the borrowing of \$15 million for the China programme during the remaining part of the second cycle from the country's third cycle IPF.

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80/2. Assistance to Nicaragua

The Governing Council,

1. Takes note of the actions already taken by the Administrator as outlined in paragraphs 3(a) and (b) of document DP/427;

2. Agrees to the allocation of \$323,300 as an addition to the present IPF of Nicaragua as outlined in paragraph 4 of document DP/427. This amount is to be met from funds available under "Future Participants, etc.";

3. Approves as an exceptional measure, the borrowing of \$3 million against Nicaragua's third cycle IPF for technical co-operation activities to be undertaken in 1980-1981; and

4. Decides to review the situation at the twenty-seventh session of the Council.

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20 February 1980

80/3 Assistance to Equatorial Guinea

The Governing Council

1. Agrees to the allocation of \$258,000 as an addition to the second cycle IPF for Equatorial Guinea to be met from funds available under "Future Participants, etc.;"

2. Authorizes the Administrator to extend to Equatorial Guinea, for 1980 and 1981, the other benefits accorded to least developed countries; and

3. Authorizes, as an exceptional measure, limited borrowing from the third cycle IPF for Equatorial Guinea if required for urgent technical co-operation activities be undertaken in 1980-1981.

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14 February 1980

80/4. Indicative Planning Figure (IPF) for Zimbabwe 1980-1981

The Governing Council,

1. Decides that an IPF is to be established for Zimbabwe for the remainder of the 1977-1981 planning cycle in the amount of \$5.6 million, to be financed from the IPF for "Future Participants, etc." and

2. Approves the use of the IPF for National Liberation Movements to finance 1980 activities of on-going NLM projects related to Zimbabwe.

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14 February 1980

80/5. Interim Fund for Science and Technology for Development

The Governing Council,

Agrees to include a progress report on the Interim Fund for Science and Technology for Development on the agenda of its twenty-seventh session.

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80/6. Preparations for the third programming cycle, 1982-1986

The Governing Council,

Recalling its decision 79/23,

1. Requests the Administrator to provide calculations on the basis of DP/L.334, as submitted by a group of countries;

2. Further requests the Administrator to provide calculations on the basis of requests submitted by some countries at the Special Meeting of the Governing Council as contained in DP/L.335; and

3. Decides to continue negotiations on guidelines for the third cycle at the twenty-seventh session of the Governing Council in June 1980 on the basis of DP/L.334 and the calculations referred to above.

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ANNEX I

ANNOTATED AGENDA

1. Preparations for the third programming cycle, 1982-1986

The Council has before it a report of the Administrator (DP/425 and DP/GC/Feb.80/CRP.1), pursuant to Governing Council decision 79/23, under which the Council is to "review preparations for the third cycle, particularly IPFs, on the basis of the comments made and proposals submitted at its twenty-sixth session...".

An extract from the New Dehli Declaration and Plan of Action, Third General Conference of UNIDO, 21 January to 8 February 1980, was circulated as DP/GC/Feb.80/CRP.3.

2. Transition from the second UNDP programming cycle, 1977-1981, to the third cycle, 1982-1986: limited borrowing from the third cycle

In its decision 79/31 the Council had requested the Administrator to submit a proposal for limited borrowing from the third cycle for certain country programmes. The Administrator is submitting his proposal to the Council at its February meeting, as an early decision on this matter would facilitate a smooth transition from the current cycle to the next (DP/424).

3. Matters arising from action taken by the General Assembly at its thirty-fourth session:

(a) Assistance to Nicaragua

The Council has before it a note by the Administrator (DP/427) regarding the implementation of General Assembly resolution 34/8 on international assistance for the rehabilitation, reconstruction and development of Nicaragua.

(b) Assistance to Equatorial Guinea

The Council has before it a note by the Administrator (DP/436) responding to General Assembly resolution 34/123 on special measures to be accorded to Equatorial Guinea in view of that country's current situation.

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(c) Establishment of an IPF for Zimbabwe for 1980-1981

In anticipation of the attaining of independence of Zimbabwe in accordance with relevant Security Council and General Assembly resolutions, the Council has before it a note by the Administrator (DP/440) proposing an IPF for Zimbabwe of \$5.6 million for the period 1980-1981.

(d) Interim Fund for Science and Technology for Development

The Council has before it a progress report by the Administrator (DP/433) which, inter alia, describes the relevant decisions reached by the General Assembly as contained in resolution 34/218.

ANNEX II

REPRESENTATION AT THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
GOVERNING COUNCIL ON PREPARATIONS FOR THE THIRD
PROGRAMMING CYCLE, 1982-1986

1. The following members of the Governing Council were represented at the special meeting: Argentina, Austria, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Democratic Yemen, Denmark, Ecuador, Egypt, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Germany, Federal Republic of , Greece, Indonesia, Italy, Ivory Coast, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Liberia, Malawi, Malaysia, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Spain, Sri Lanka, Switzerland, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.
2. The following States were represented by observers: Albania, Algeria, Australia, Bahamas, Bahrain, Barbados, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Burma, Burundi, Chile, Costa Rica, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, German Democratic Republic, Haiti, Holy See, Honduras, Hungary, India, Ireland, Israel, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Panama, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Qatar, Seychelles, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Sweden, Tunisia, Turkey, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Yugoslavia.
3. The following United Nations offices and Programmes were represented: United Nations (Department of Technical Co-operation for Development, Office of the Commissioner for Namibia), Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, Economic Commission for Africa, Economic Commission for Western Asia, United Nations Centre for Human Settlements, United Nations Centre for Transnational Corporations, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, United Nations Industrial Development Organization, United Nations Environment Programme, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, United Nations Institute for Training and Research, World Food Programme, United Nations Fund for Population Activities.
4. The following specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system were represented: International Labour Organisation, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, World Health Organization, World Bank, Universal Postal Union, International Telecommunication Union, World Intellectual Property Organization, International Civil Aviation Organization.
5. Observers for the following intergovernmental organizations participated: Agency for Cultural and Technical Co-operation, African Development Bank, Asian Development Bank, European Economic Community, Inter-American Development Bank, Organization of African Unity, Organization of American States, OPEC Special Fund, World Tourism Organization.
6. Observers for the following national liberation movements also attended: African National Congress (South Africa), Pan Africanist Congress of Azania.

