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Provisional agenda and organization of work of the
thirty-third session

Note by the secretariat

Corrigendum

Third week: 16-20 June 1986
Plenary meeting

Monday,
16 June

a.m./p.m.

Annual report of the
Administrator for 1985 (4(a))

Implementation of decisions
adopted by the Governing
Council at previous sessions
(4(b))

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Tuesday, 17 June	a.m./p.m.	Implementation of decisions adopted by the Governing Council at previous sessions (4(b)) (cont'd.) Programme planning: The fourth programming cycle (5(a))
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Wednesday, 18 June	a.m./p.m.	United Nations Fund for Population Activities (6): introductory statement by the Executive Director and consideration of the item
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Thursday, 19 June	a.m./p.m.	United Nations Fund for Population Activities (6) (cont'd)
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Friday, 20 June	a.m./p.m.	United Nations Fund for Population Activities (6) (cont'd)
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Saturday, 21 June	a.m.	United Nations Fund for Population Activities (6) (cont'd, if required)
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Fourth week: 23-27 June 1986
Plenary meeting

Monday,
23 June

a.m./p.m.

United Nations technical
co-operation activities (7):
Introductory statement and
consideration of the item

Tuesday,
24 June

a.m./p.m.

Special programmes of
assistance (4(c))

Consideration of United Nations
Volunteers programme (UNV),
United Nations Capital
Development Fund (UNCDF),
United Nations Revolving Fund
for Natural Resources
Exploration (UNRFNRE), United
Nations Financing System for
Science and Technology for
Development (UNFSSTD), United
Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office
(UNSO), Programmes in energy
development, United Nations
Development Fund for Women,
(8(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f),
(g)).

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Wednesday, 25 June	a.m./p.m.	Consideration of items 8(a)-(g) (cont'd., if required) United Nations system regular and extrabudgetary technical co-operation expenditures (10(a)) Action taken by other organs of the United Nations system in 1985 (10(b))
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Thursday, 26 June	a.m./p.m.	Consideration of previous items (cont'd, if required)
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Friday, 27 June	a.m./p.m.	Adoption of the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole Adoption of draft decisions submitted by the Drafting Group Adoption of the report of the Budgetary and Finance Committee (9) Matters relating to the work of the Council in 1987 (11)
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Provisional Agenda and Organization of Work of the
Thirty-third Session

Note by the secretariat

1. Annex I to this document contains the draft provisional agenda for the thirty-third session of the Governing Council of UNDP, scheduled to take place from 2 to 27 June 1986 in Geneva. This draft provisional agenda is based on Council decision 85/46 entitled "Provisional agenda for the Governing Council at its thirty-third session, and related matters". 1/

2. As decided by Council decision 85/47 entitled "Arrangements for meetings of the Governing Council in 1986", 2/ the arrangements for the thirty-third session shall be as follows:

Plenary	2 June 1986
Committee of the Whole	2-6 June 1986
High-level segment (Plenary)	9-13 June 1986
Plenary	16-27 June 1986
Budgetary and Finance Committee	2-27 June 1986
Drafting Group	16-27 June 1986

3. By decision 85/47, the Council further decided that, in addition, meetings of the working group of the Committee of the Whole, established by decision 85/17, paragraph 3, 3/ will be scheduled in 1986.

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4. In accordance with the practice in 1985, it is suggested that the thirty-third session open on 2 June 1986, at 10.30 a.m., and that the Committee of the Whole commence its work immediately upon adjournment of this meeting in the morning of 2 June 1986. The Council may therefore wish to adopt the provisional schedule of meetings for the Council and its subsidiary bodies as contained in annex II.

5. Taking into account the provisions of paragraph 2, section III.A of decision 83/5, ^{4/} whereby the Council decided that, for a trial period of three years, it shall, in the context of its regularly scheduled sessions, resolve itself into a committee of the whole to deal with programme matters, the Governing Council may wish to allocate the reports on the following subjects for consideration by the Committee of the Whole:

- Relevant trends and problems in country programmes;
- Implementation of country programmes in various regions;
- All country and intercountry programmes;
- Global and interregional projects;
- Evaluation matters.

6. In 1986, it is anticipated that the Council will have before it 53 country programmes and one regional programme. In order to ensure an in-depth consideration of the country programmes, the Council may wish to decide whether five working days of meetings of the Committee of the Whole will be sufficient. In conducting a thorough examination, the Council might be able to consider only up to five country programmes per day, especially in view of the number of large and important programmes to be presented in 1986. If this assumption were to hold, the Council would be in a position to deal with a maximum of only 25 country programmes. To ensure the consideration and approval of all the prepared country programmes at the earliest possible time, the anticipated 28 remaining programmes might therefore have to be considered by the Committee of the Whole 4-5 days prior to the currently scheduled dates for the thirty-third session, or at a special session in the latter half of 1986. Conference services have already been reserved, pending a decision by the Council.

7. Pursuant to paragraph 3, section III.A of decision 83/5, a written report would be submitted to plenary by the committee's presiding officer, who would be the President of the Council or another member of the Bureau designated by him. It may be recalled that, in 1984 and 1985, the Presidents of the Council presided over the meetings of the Committee of the Whole and, in conducting the proceedings of these and the plenary meetings, they were assisted by the Vice-Presidents.

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8. As regards the timetable and schedule of its work and that of the Committee of the Whole, the Council may wish to consider dealing with the various items as proposed in the tentative schedule of work contained in annex III. This work schedule should be considered as only provisional and indicative in character so that the Council may be in a position to take up various items on a more flexible basis. In particular, once it completes consideration of an item before an indicated date, the Council could move immediately to the next item on its work schedule.

9. Attention is drawn to the additional time provided for the consideration of item 6, United Nations Fund for Population Activities, in response to paragraph 19, section I of Council decision 85/19. 5/

10. All meetings will be scheduled normally from 10.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. and from 3.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. In that context, it may be recalled that by paragraph 3(j) of its decision 81/37, 6/ the Council decided that its meetings should start promptly at their scheduled times.

11. By paragraph 3(a) of its decision 81/37, the Council decided to hold a short part of its annual sessions at a high, senior policy-maker level for the purpose of considering issues which could provide the necessary dynamism to technical co-operation activities carried out under the supervision of the Council. The Council designated the period 9-13 June 1986 as the high-level segment devoted to policy review. In accordance with paragraph 2 of decision 85/46, the 1986 policy review will focus on "The unique role of the United Nations Development Programme in human resources development and development co-operation in the 1980s". While focusing on this item, delegations may also wish to address themselves to policy aspects related to other items on the agenda.

12. In accordance with paragraph 3(h) of Council decision 81/37, it is proposed that a list of speakers for the five-day general debate be opened on Monday, 5 May 1986. To allow for smooth planning and efficient conduct of the Council's business, separate lists of speakers will also be opened and closed for all other agenda items as appropriate, and as will be announced in the course of the session.

13. Delegations will note the proposal that the Council, as last year, take up separately the item related to programme implementation, including, inter alia, the annual report of the Administrator and reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (JIU), so as to allow an in-depth consideration of these matters.

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14. The Council's Budgetary and Finance Committee (BFC) is scheduled to meet from 2 to 27 June 1986. Taking into account past practice, the Governing Council may wish to decide that the First Vice-President of the Council shall serve as Chairman of the Budgetary and Finance Committee. As regards the programme of work of BFC, the Council may wish to allocate to it items 9(a) through 9(h) of the Council's draft provisional agenda. The Council may further wish to allocate to BFC financial and administrative questions related to item 6, United Nations Fund for Population Activities, and to item 8, Other funds and programmes. Finally, as in past years, BFC will have to review the financial implications of draft decisions before action is taken by the Council. In accordance with paragraph 4(a) of Council decision 81/37, BFC will have its own agenda and organization of work which will be issued in a separate document under the symbol DP/1986/BFC/L.1.

15. In accordance with Council decisions 81/37, paragraph 3(k), and 85/47, arrangements will also be made for the servicing of a Drafting Group of the Council during the thirty-third session, including the provision of interpretation services. The Drafting Group is scheduled to meet during the period 16-27 June 1986. The Drafting Group will elaborate and finalize draft decisions on those items referred to it by the plenary for the ultimate adoption of such draft decisions by the Council. All draft decisions formulated by the Drafting Group having financial implications would have to be referred to BFC before action is taken by the Council. The Council may also assign to the Drafting Group other specific tasks, as required. Similar to the practice followed last year, the Council may wish to designate one of its Vice-Presidents to chair the Drafting Group.

16. It may be recalled that by section III of its decision 83/1, 1/ the Council enunciated a number of principles which would guide the deliberations of the Drafting Group:

(a) Consideration of draft decisions on the various items will begin only after the debate thereon in plenary has been closed;

(b) The Chairman of the Drafting Group will circulate working papers containing preliminary drafts on the various issues prepared, at his request, by the secretariat in order to facilitate the drafting of decisions;

(c) All delegations may submit draft decisions on any agenda item not specifically allocated for consideration by BFC, including subjects already covered in the working papers of the Chairman of the Drafting Group;

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(d) In cases where both delegations and the Chairman have circulated draft texts, the Drafting Group will give precedence to the consideration of texts submitted by delegations;

(e) Unless otherwise decided by the Council, draft decisions submitted or sponsored by delegations on items referred to the Drafting Group will be taken up directly by the Drafting Group; the final text of such draft decisions as approved by the Drafting Group will, however, be submitted by the Chairman of the Drafting Group, on its behalf, to the plenary without identifying particular sponsors.

17. As regards documentation, it may be recalled that the Council, by its decision 85/46, set the indicative quota for documentation to be submitted to its thirty-third session, excluding documentation on country and intercountry programmes and projects, at 1,300 pages, of which 300 pages were earmarked for policy documents and 1,000 pages for support documents. The Council further called upon the Administrator to undertake all steps to reduce the volume of documentation even further. At its organizational meeting, the Council will have before it a report on the measures taken by the Administrator in response thereto. The attention of the Council is also drawn to the forthcoming document A/INF/41/1 regarding the control and limitation of documentation. This document will be made available to the Council at its thirty-third session in accordance with General Assembly resolution 2438 (XXIV).

Notes

1/ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1985, Supplement No. 11 (E/1985/32), annex I.

2/ Ibid.

3/ Ibid.

4/ Ibid., 1983, Supplement No. 9 (E/1983/20), annex I.

5/ Ibid., 1985, Supplement No. 11 (E/1983/32), annex I.

6/ Ibid., 1981, Supplement No. 11 (E/1981/61.Rev.1), annex I.

7/ Ibid., 1983, Supplement No. 9 (E/1983/20), annex I.

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Annex I

Draft provisional agenda

Thirty-third session

1. Opening of the session.
2. Adoption of the agenda, and other organizational matters.
3. Policy review: "The unique role of the United Nations Development Programme in human resources development and development co-operation in the 1980s".
4. Programme implementation:
 - (a) Annual report of the Administrator for 1985;
 - (b) Implementation of decisions adopted by the Governing Council at previous sessions; a/
 - (c) Special programmes of assistance: assistance to national liberation movements recognized in its area by the Organization of African Unity (OAU); assistance to specific countries; assistance to the Palestinian people;
 - (d) Evaluation.
5. Programme planning:
 - (a) The fourth programming cycle;
 - (b) Country and intercountry programmes and projects.
6. United Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA).
7. United Nations technical co-operation activities.
8. Other funds and programmes:b/
 - (a) United Nations Volunteers (UNV);
 - (b) United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF);
 - (c) United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration (UNRFNRE);
 - (d) United Nations Financing System for Science and Technology for Development (UNFSSTD);

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- (e) United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office (UNSO):
 - (i) Plan of Action to Combat Desertification;
 - (ii) Recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sahel region;
 - (iii) Assistance to other drought-stricken countries;
- (f) Programmes in energy development;
- (g) United Nations Development Fund for Women.

9. Financial, budgetary and administrative matters:

- (a) Annual review of the financial situation, 1985;
- (b) Revised budget estimates for 1986 and budget estimates for 1987;
- (c) Trust funds;
- (d) UNDP financial regulations;
- (e) Audit reports;
- (f) Agency support costs;
- (g) Sectoral support;
- (h) Other matters.

10. Other matters:

- (a) United Nations system regular and extrabudgetary technical co-operation expenditures;
- (b) Action taken by other organs of the United Nations system in 1985.

11. Matters relating to the work of the Council in 1987.

Notes

a/ Under this item the Council will review the implementation of the following decisions:

- 85/7 (paragraph 3) Evaluation programme: women in development;
- 85/6 (paragraph 3, section III) UNDP activities in the field of drug abuse control;
- 85/8 Measures to promote better understanding of the role and activities of the United Nations Development Programme and of the resource needs of the Programme;

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- 85/11 Implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries;
- 85/13 Focal point for short-term advisory services;
- 83/5 Measures to mobilize increased resources for the United Nations Development Programme on an increasingly predictable, continuous and assured basis - review of decision 83/5, section III on the establishment of the committee of the whole of the Governing Council with a view to examining the possibility of establishing a programme committee;
- 82/9 Pre-investment activities;
- 82/10 UNDP Development Study Programme.

b/ By paragraph 11 of its resolution 36/200, the General Assembly decided that, beginning in 1983, a broad policy review of those funds and programmes which are under the guidance of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme and managed by the Administrator of the Programme be undertaken on a biennial basis, on the understanding that a brief report, including a financial statement, on those funds and programmes should be made available to the Governing Council in the intervening years, and it invited the Governing Council to act accordingly. The Council conducted a broad policy review of those funds and programmes in 1985.

Annex II

Proposal for a schedule of meetings of the Council and its
subsidiary bodies during the thirty-third session

	First Week 2-6 June	Second Week 9-13 June	Third Week 16-20 June	Fourth Week 23-27 June
Plenary	v	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX
Committee of the Whole	ΔXXXX			
Budgetary and Finance Committee	ΔXXXX	ΔXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX
Drafting Group			XXXXX	XXXXX

X - two meetings a day

v - a.m. meeting

Δ - p.m. meeting

Annex III

Tentative schedule of work of the Governing Council
and the Committee of the Whole

NOTE: This tentative work schedule is provisional and indicative in character so that the Council may be in a position to take up various items on a more flexible basis. Once it completes consideration of an item before an indicated date, the Council will move immediately to the next item on its work schedule.

First week: 2-6 June 1986
Plenary meeting

Monday,
2 June

a.m.

Opening of the session (1)

Adoption of the agenda, and
other organizational matters
(2)

Introductory statement by the
Administrator

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Committee of the Whole

Monday, 2 June	Immediately following the adjournment of the plenary/ p.m.	Opening of the meeting Organizational matters Trends and problems in country programmes (5(b))
Tuesday, 3 June	a.m./p.m.	<u>Africa</u> (5(b)) Implementation of selected country programmes Consideration and approval of country programmes
Wednesday, 4 June	a.m./p.m.	<u>Arab States</u> (5(b)) Implementation of selected country programmes Consideration and approval of country programmes <u>Asia and the Pacific</u> (5(b)) Implementation of selected country programmes Consideration and approval of country programmes

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Thursday,
5 June

a.m./p.m.

Asia and the Pacific (cont'd.)

Europe (5(b))

Implementation of selected
country programmes

Consideration and approval of
country programmes

Latin America and the
Caribbean (5(b))

Implementation of selected
country programmes

Consideration and approval of
country programmes and of the
regional programme

Friday,
6 June

a.m./p.m.

Consideration and approval of
global projects (5(b))

Evaluation (4(d))

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Second week: 9-13 June 1986
Plenary meeting

Monday, 9 June	a.m./p.m.	Statement by the Administrator - beginning of the debate on policy review item 3 entitled "The unique role of the United Nations Development Programme in human resources development and development co-operation in the 1980s" and policy aspects of other items
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Tuesday, 10 June through Friday, 13 June	a.m./p.m.	Continuation of the debate on policy review item 3 and policy aspects of other items
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Third week: 16-20 June 1986
Plenary meeting

Monday, 16 June	a.m./p.m.	Annual report of the Administrator for 1985 (4(a)) Implementation of decisions adopted by the Governing Council at previous sessions (4(b)).
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Tuesday,
17 June

a.m./p.m.

Implementation of decisions
adopted by the Governing
Council at previous sessions
(4(b)) (cont'd.)

Programme planning: The fourth
programming cycle (5(a))

Wednesday,
18 June

a.m./p.m.

Special programmes of
assistance (4(c))

Consideration of United Nations
Volunteers (UNV), United
Nations Capital Development
Fund (UNCDF), United Nations
Revolving Fund for Natural
Resources Exploration
(UNRFNRE), United Nations
Financing System for
Science and Technology for
Development (UNFSSTD), United
Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office
(UNSO), Programmes in energy
development, United Nations
Development Fund for Women,
(8(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f),
(g))

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Thursday, 19 June	a.m./p.m.	Consideration of items 8(a)-(g) (cont'd., if required) United Nations system regular and extrabudgetary technical co-operation expenditures (10(a)) Action taken by other organs of the United Nations system in 1985 (10(b))
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Friday, 20 June	a.m./p.m.	United Nations Fund for Population Activities (6): Introductory statement by the Executive Director and consideration of item
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Fourth week: 23-27 June 1986
Plenary meeting

Monday, 23 June	a.m./p.m.	United Nations Fund for Population Activities (6) (cont'd.)
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Tuesday, 24 June	a.m./p.m.	United Nations Fund for Population Activities (6) (cont'd.)
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Wednesday,
25 June

a.m./p.m.

United Nations technical
co-operation activities (7):
Introductory statement and
consideration of item

Thursday,
26 June

a.m./p.m.

Consideration of previous
items, if required

Friday,
27 June

a.m./p.m.

Adoption of the recommendations
of the Committee of the Whole

Adoption of draft decisions
submitted by the Drafting Group

Adoption of the report of the
Budgetary and Finance Committee
(9)

Matters relating to the work of
the Council in 1987 (11)
