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ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE WORKING GROUP OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Draft decision emerging from informal consultations among members of the Governing Council

## The Governing Council

Decides that, subject to review at its thirty-third session (June 1986), the following arrangements shall govern the activities of the Working Group of the Committee of the Whole, established by decision 85/17:

(a) The membership of the Working Group shall be increased from 24 to 26 with the following allocation of seats:

African States	6 seats
Asian and Pacific States and Yugoslavia	5 seats
Latin American and Caribbean States	4 seats
Western European and other States	9 seats
Eastern European States	2 seats

Beginning in 1989, the membership will be increased every fifth year to 27. The additional seat will be allocated to the Eastern European Group;

- (b) Membership on the Working Group shall be for one year with the possibility of re-election;
- (c) The President of the Council shall be the Chairman of the Working Group;
- (d) The rules of procedure of the Governing Council shall apply, <u>mutatis</u> <u>mutandis</u>, to the Working Group;
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- (e) The Governing Council, resolving itself into the Committee of the Whole, shall assign topics to the Working Group. These topics will be chosen from among the Committee of the Whole's own agenda, in accordance with decision 85/17;
- (f) Until June 1986, the topics to be assigned to the Working Group shall be derived from Council decision 83/5, section III A, paragraph 2 (c) and (d);
- (g) The Governing Council, resolving itself into the Committee of the Whole shall determine the number of sessions to be held by the Working Group. The Working Group will then decide on the exact dates of its meetings, taking into account the availability of services and facilities;
- (h) The Working Group will receive interpretation services in the six official languages of the Council;
  - (i) The documents before the Working Group shall be:
    - (i) Official documents of the Council prepared in accordance with its agenda relating to topics assigned to the Working Group in keeping with the mandate of the Committee of the Whole;
    - (ii) Working papers requested by the Working Group in respect of those topics assigned to it by the Committee of the Whole.

For categories (i) and (ii) above, documents and working papers will be subject to the six-weeks rule in accordance with existing practices of the Council. The Working Group may also request working papers during its meetings for consideration at those meetings and these working papers will be available to any member of the Programme wishing to obtain them;

- (j) The Chairman of the Working Group shall make a report to the Committee of the Whole in the form of a statement on the work of the Working Group on which the Committee of the Whole will deliberate. The Working Group will not be required to adopt the report;
- (k) All members of the Programme will be formally notified of all meetings of the Working Group;
- (1) The Working Group will invite participation by organizations of the United Nations system and other relevant bodies when it considers their presence required.