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EXTENSION OF THE SECOND COUNTRY PROGRAMME FOR PORTUGAL\*

Note by the Administrator

1. The Government of Portugal has recently undertaken structural changes in its public administration, creating, among others, a special department within the Ministry of Planning and Territorial Administration. This department prepares, supervises and evaluates public investment programmes and projects and assumes the role of co-ordinator for international co-operation.
2. The restructuring process coincided with the period originally foreseen for the preparation of the third country programme. Therefore, the Government has requested that the Administrator approve the extension of the second country programme by one year, until the end of 1987. The Government reconfirms the continued validity of the objectives of the current programme.
3. While no major extension of the ongoing projects is envisaged, some of the projects have been affected by the institutional restructuring mentioned above, and require extension into 1987 in order to complete the planned activities. These projects are in the areas of water resources development, manufacturing industry, export diversification and civil aviation. They will be implemented together with new projects which are designed to improve living conditions and correct regional

\* The second country programme for Portugal was approved by the Governing Council at its special meeting in May 1982, for the period 1982-1986. The programme is contained in document DP/CP/POR/2.

imbalances. Such major projects, along with preparatory activities for projects to be undertaken in the new cycle, including a thorough review of 10 years of country programming in Portugal, are estimated to cost approximately \$300,000 in 1987.

4. The Administrator wishes to inform the Council he has approved the extension of the Country Programme for Portugal for a period of one year, through 1987.

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