Organizational meeting for 1988
16 February 1988, New York
Item 3 of the provisional agenda

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Provisional agenda

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Annotations to the provisional agenda

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Election of officers

In accordance with its rules of procedure (DP/1/Rev.4), the Governing Council will elect a Bureau consisting of a President and four Vice-Presidents. Pursuant to rule 11 (footnote 2), "In electing the Bureau, due account should be taken of the need to ensure equitable geographical representation. In the election of the President, due regard shall be given to the geographical rotation of this office among the different regional groups".

According to the established pattern of rotation of posts among the various regional groups, the President of the Governing Council for 1988 would be elected from among the Council members of the African Group.
The Governing Council may also wish to take into account that the President will be required to designate presiding officers for the Council's Budgetary and Finance Committee and the Drafting Group.

3. Adoption of the agenda

The provisional annotated agenda and annotations for the organizational meeting are contained in the present document.

The list of documents for the organizational meeting and the special session is contained in document DP/1988/6.

The report on the status of documents for the organizational meeting and the special session is contained in document DP/1988/7.

4. Progress report on rationalization of the work of the Governing Council

The Secretary of the Governing Council will report orally on steps taken to implement various decisions of the Council regarding the rationalization of its work, in particular decision 81/37 of 27 June 1981, 1/ and on measures taken to rationalize the documentation of the Council in pursuance of section IV, paragraph 3, of decision 87/1 of 17 February 1987 2/ and paragraph 5 of decision 87/51 of 18 June 1987. 2/ Moreover, the Council will hear an oral report on the preparation of a subject index of Governing Council decisions, mandated by paragraph 15 of decision 87/43 of 19 June 1987. 2/

5. Matters relating to the work of the Governing Council in 1988

The Governing Council will have before it for consideration and approval the draft provisional agenda, together with annotations (DP/1988/L.2), for the special session, scheduled to be held in New York from 16 February, p.m., to 18 February 1988.

The Governing Council will have before it for consideration and approval a note by the secretariat (DP/1988/L.3) containing the draft provisional agenda and a tentative schedule of work for its thirty-fifth session, scheduled to take place in Geneva from 6 June to 1 July 1988.

In that connection, the Governing Council may also wish to consider which items of the provisional agenda will be allocated for consideration by the Budgetary and Finance Committee, as well as the Council's Committee of the Whole. It might also be recalled that, in accordance with section I, paragraph 4 (a), of Council decision 81/37, the Budgetary and Finance Committee shall have its own agenda and its own organization of work to be issued in a separate document.

The Governing Council will also have before it a note by the secretariat containing requests for a waiver of the 10-week deadline for certain documents (DP/1988/8).

6. Other matters
Notes

