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## B. Annotations to the provisional agenda

### 1. Adoption of the agenda

The present provisional agenda and annotations thereto have been prepared in light of past practice and to reflect items which need to be considered pursuant to decisions emanating from previous sessions of the Council.

The list of documents for the organizational meeting and the special session is contained in document DP/1989/1.

The report on the status of documents for the organizational meeting and the special session is contained in document DP/1989/1/Add. 1.

### 2. Fourth programming cycle: programme planning

#### (a) Management Development Programme

In paragraph 10 of its decision 88/31 of 1 July 1988, the Governing Council established a Special Programme for Management Development and Related Institution-building ("Management Development Programme").

The Council allocated \$60 million for the programme, which will operate under the principles contained in paragraph 10 (a) to 10 (e).

In compliance with a request in paragraph 11, part B, of decision 88/31, the Administrator is submitting to the Council details of the guidelines for the use of the Management Development Programme, as well as a report on its operations.

#### Documentation

Report of the Administrator on the operation of the Management Development Programme (DP/1989/4).

#### (b) Net contributor status

At its thirty-fifth session, the Governing Council considered the question of the "net contributor status", in the context of the mid-term review of resources of the fourth programming cycle.

In paragraph I, part C, of its decision 88/31, the Council decided that net contributor obligations will be waived for any year in respect of which the per capita gross national product of net contributor countries falls below the thresholds established in paragraph 11 of decision 85/16. In paragraph 2, the Council decided to defer further consideration of the item "Net contributor status" to the special session of the Council in February 1989 on the understanding that notwithstanding the provisions of decision 85/16, the Administrator could postpone taking action until March 1989. The Council will have before it a report by the Administration on this subject.

Documentation

Net contributor status: Report of the Administrator (DP/1989/5).

(c) Categorization of Special Programme Resources activities

In paragraph 9 (a), part B, of its decision 88/31, the Governing Council decided to allocate \$30 million for activities previously agreed by the Council, and included in paragraph 35 (i) to 35 (iv) of document DP/1988/26. The amount is to be allocated in as close a proportion as possible to the existing earmakings by broad categories previously enumerated, pending review by the Council at its special session in February 1989. The Council will receive a report on this subject.

Documentation

Report of the Administrator on the categorization of Special Programme Resources activities (DP/1989/64).

3. Agency support costs

(a) Expert group on the study of issues connected with agency support costs

In paragraph 2 of its decision 88/50 of 1 July 1988, the Governing Council established a small group of experts in the field of international development to make a thorough study of all the relevant issues connected with the most appropriate successor arrangements for the agency support costs and to make its recommendations available no later than 28 February 1990.

In paragraph 3 of the same decision, the Council requested the Administrator, after consultation with members of the Council and in close consultation with the United Nations agencies, as appropriate, to make a proposal to the Council at its special session in February 1989 on the appropriate composition, working methods, estimate of all costs for, and terms of reference of the expert group. In compliance with this decision, the Administrator will submit a report to the Council.

Documentation

Report of the Administrator on the composition, financing and terms of reference for the expert group on agency support costs (DP/1989/6).

(b) Response of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination to Governing Council decision 88/52

In its decision 88/52 of 1 July 1988, the Governing Council authorized the Administrator to make a special ad hoc additional support

cost reimbursement for 1987 to certain executing agencies identified in document DP/1988/66, because of the effects of exchange rate fluctuations.

In the same decision, the Council stated that the authorization was made on an exceptional basis; that it should enhance the quality of project execution by agencies; and that the Council intended to examine the relationship between the agencies and UNDP with a view to devising successor arrangements for agency support costs to operate from January 1992. It also requested the Administrator to bring the decision to the attention of the Administrative Committee on Coordination (ACC), and to inform the Council of the response of ACC thereto.

Pursuant to this decision, the Administrator will inform the Council of the response of ACC and its subsidiary bodies to decision 88/52, as well as to the related decision 88/53.

#### Documentation

Note by the Administrator on the response of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination to decision 88/52 (DP/1989/7).

#### 4. Mid-term review of fourth cycle country programmes

##### (a) Time-table for individual country mid-term review

In paragraph 4 of decision 88/17 of 1 July 1988, the Governing Council requested the Administrator to carry out jointly with the recipient Government a mid-term review for each country programme approved for the fourth programming cycle.

In paragraphs 7 and 8 (a) of the same decision, the Council requested the Administrator to provide aggregated data and analysis on the mid-term reviews and to report to the Council at its special session in 1989 on the time table envisaged for the different mid-term reviews. The Administrator will submit the report to the Council as requested in this decision.

#### Documentation

Report of the Administrator on mid-term review of programmes under the fourth programming cycle (DP/1989/8).

##### (b) Measures for mid-term reviews of regional, interregional and global programmes

In paragraph 8 (b) of its decision 88/17 of 1 July 1988, the Governing Council invited the Administrator to report to the Council at its special session in February 1989 on the measures taken to carry out mid-term reviews of regional, interregional and global programmes, and on how and when he intends to report to the Council on these reviews.

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The Administrator will submit a report to the Council in compliance with this request.

Documentation

Report of the Administrator on mid-term review of programmes under the fourth cycle (DP/1989/8).

5. Participation of the United Nations Development Programme in the preparations for the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries

In its decision 88/30 of 1 July 1988, the Governing Council requested the Administrator to assist the least developed countries in the preparations for the Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries in 1990. It also decided that such assistance should be funded from the Special Measures Fund for the Least Developed Countries, and requested the Administrator to submit a report on the proposed participation of UNDP in the preparations for the Conference to the Council at its special session in February 1989.

Documentation

Report of the Administrator on UNDP participation in the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (DP/1989/9)

6. Actions taken or proposed by the United Nations Development Programme in response to decisions of other organs of the United Nations system

In its decision 88/55 of 1 July 1988, the Governing Council requested the Administrator to submit to the Council at its organizational session in 1989, a report indicating action which UNDP has taken, or intends to take, in response to decisions of other organs of the United Nations system in 1988.

In view of the nature of this item, the Council may wish to take it up at the special session, rather than the organizational meeting. The requested report thereon will be submitted by the Administrator.

Documentation

Action taken or proposed by the United Nations Development Programme in response to decisions of other organs of the United Nations system : Report of the Administrator (DP/1989/10).

7. Other matters

In accordance with paragraph (j) of decision 86/1 of 18 February 1986, the Council may wish to resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole to receive reports, in the form of statements by the Chairman of the Working Group of the Committee of the Whole, on the work of the September 1988 and February 1989 meetings of the Working Group.

