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B. Annotations to the provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda

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

The lists of documents for the organizational meeting and the special session are contained in documents DP/1990/1 and DP/1990/4.

The reports on the status of documents for the organizational meeting and the special session are contained in documents DP/1990/2 and DP/1990/5.

2. Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries

(a) Review of the Special Measures Fund for the Least Developed Countries

The Council will have before it a report in pursuance of decision 89/57. The report presents a review of the Special Measures Fund for the Least Developed Countries (SMF/LDC) since its inception. It covers:

- (i) The circumstances leading to decisions by the Governing Council in 1972 and 1973 to initiate special measures for LDCs;
- (ii) Steps taken since then in favour of LDCs;
- (iii) The introduction of new approval procedures and eligibility criteria in 1986. This re-orientation having fallen short of producing the intended results, the Administrator now proposes to focus SMF/LDC on fewer activities, responding more directly to the characteristic needs of LDCs while also strengthening the approval process of projects.

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(b) Participation of the United Nations Development Programme in the preparation of the Conference

In an addendum, document DP/1990/6/Add.1, information will be provided to the Governing Council on the contribution of UNDP to the preparation for the Second United Nations Conference on Least Developed Countries, scheduled for September 1990 in Paris. It will cover:

(a) The UNDP thematic paper on technical co-operation in LDCs for submission to the above-mentioned meeting in Geneva;

(b) Contribution to the report of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on the evaluation of round-table and consultative group processes to be submitted to the meeting of the Preparatory Committee in Geneva March/April 1990;

(c) UNDP approval of additional SMF/LDC funding in support of a ministerial level policy meeting in Dhaka;

(d) UNDP film on the round-table experience in Africa.

3. Mid-term resource situation of the fourth programming cycle

The Council will have before it the outline of a report which deals with questions contained in Council decision 88/31/A of 1 July 1988. The Governing Council authorized increases of indicative planning figures (IPFs) and Special Programme Resources (SPR). It further requested the Administrator to review annually the resource situation so as to ensure the validity of the assumptions underlying increases authorized and to report to the Council on the results of the review.

Accordingly, the report contains the latest resource forecast for the 1987-1991 period. The major recommendation contained in the report is to defer any decision on the release of the remaining 25 per cent of the IPF and SPR supplements authorized in decision 88/31 until after the November 1990 Pledging Conference.

The report also informs the Governing Council of the IPF expenditure targets set by the Administrator for the years 1989-1991, in line with the Council's directions contained in decision 89/57 of 30 June 1989. Furthermore, it proposes that the Governing Council at an early date approve arrangements for the borrowing of IPF entitlements from the fifth cycle for certain programmes.

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Lastly, the report provides details on the status of commitments made under the various components of the SPR as at 30 November 1989.

4. Preparations for the fifth programming cycle

The Council will have before it a report prepared pursuant to Governing Council decision 89/45 of 30 June 1989. The intention of the Council is to discuss the issue in stages so that final decisions on the issue could be taken at the thirty-seventh session. Informal discussions with the members of the Programme were held in October 1989, during which simulations were presented and discussed. On the basis of this discussion, UNDP will present to the Governing Council a paper which will provide additional background information on the following issues:

(a) The different resource scenario options for the fifth cycle and the assumptions made in this respect;

(b) Issues related to the share of the fifth cycle resources to be allocated to SPR;

(c) Possible options regarding the allocation of fifth cycle resources to, respectively, country and intercountry IPFs;

(d) Specific options for the allocation of resources to individual country IPFs;

(e) Specific proposals on how to deal with the net contributor principle in the fifth cycle.

5. Agency support costs

(a) Report of the Expert Group

By decision 88/50 of 1 July 1988, the Governing Council established a group of experts in the field of international development to make a thorough study of all relevant issues connected with agency support costs and requested that its recommendations be made available not later than 28 February 1990. The Council confirmed the membership of this expert group by its decision 89/10 of 23 February 1989. The report of the Expert Group (DP/1990/9) is submitted to the Governing Council for its consideration;

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(b) Proposed arrangements for consultations

In report DP/1990/11 the Administrator submits for the consideration of the Governing Council proposed arrangements for the review of the subject;

(c) Views of agencies

In reports DP/1990/10 and Add.1, the Council will have before it the views of the organizations of the United Nations system as well as a statement by the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination concerning the timetable for the consideration of the report of the group of experts.

6. Mid-term reviews of country and regional programmes

In accordance with decisions 88/17 of July 1988, 89/11 of 24 February 1989 and decision 89/40 of 30 June, the Council will have before it seven reports on Mid-term reviews, DP/1990/12/Add. 1-7. The overview report is contained in document DP/1990/12.

7. United Nations Development Programme: forty years of multilateral technical co-operation for development within the United Nations system

In accordance with Council decision 89/68 of 30 June 1989, as well as in the light of Economic and Social Council decision 1989/187 of 28 July 1989 and the General Assembly decision on this subject, an oral report will be provided on the proposed arrangements for the commemoration of the fortieth anniversary.

8. Annex to Governing Council decision 89/23 of 30 June 1989 on the annual report of the Administrator

The Council will have before it the text of this annex, in accordance with decision 89/23 of 30 June 1989.

9. Other matters

(a) The Role of UNDP in combatting the human immune deficiency virus infection HIV and Aids

The Governing Council will have before it a report (DP/1990/31) which provides an update on current and planned activities by UNDP, carried out in close collaboration with the World Health Organization (WHO) in the context of the global programme on AIDS.

