I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

1. By paragraph 2 of section III A of decision 83/5 of 24 June 1985, the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) decided that, for a trial period of three years, it should, in the context of the regularly scheduled sessions, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, in order to:

   (a) Consider major issues related to programme matters;

   (b) Review country, regional, interregional and global programmes and projects;

   (c) Review programme and project implementation;

   (d) Consider reports on evaluation studies;

   (e) Deal with other matters related to the programme management of UNDP.

2. Paragraph 3 of the same decision provided, inter alia, that the meetings of the Committee of the Whole should be scheduled so as not to coincide with the plenary meetings and that a written report should be submitted to plenary by the presiding officer, who should be the President of the Council or another member of the Bureau designated by the President.

3. Accordingly, the Governing Council resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole at its eighth meeting, held on 22 February 1990. The Committee of the Whole held one meeting.
II. DOCUMENTATION

4. The following documentation was before the Council:

6. **Mid-term reviews of country and regional programmes**

   Reports on mid-term reviews: an overview, Report of the Administrator (DP/1990/12)

   Mid-term review of the fifth country programme for Algeria, Report of the Administrator (DP/1990/12/Add.1)

   Mid-term review of the fourth country programme for Bangladesh, Report of the Administrator (DP/1990/12/Add.2)

   Mid-term review of the fourth country programme for Bhutan, Report of the Administrator (DP/1990/12/Add.3)

   Mid-term review of the fourth country programme for Brazil, Report of the Administrator (DP/1990/12/Add.4)

   Mid-term review of the fourth country programme for Madagascar, Report of the Administrator (DP/1990/12/Add.5)

   Mid-term review of the fourth country programme for Zambia, Report of the Administrator (DP/1990/12/Add.6)

   Mid-term review of the second intercountry programme for Europe, Report of the Administrator (DP/1990/12/Add.7)

III. THE DELIBERATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE

5. In addition to the documentation made available to the Committee, the Associate Administrator introduced the overview of the mid-term reviews presented to the committee for its approval; each individual mid-term review was introduced by [ ] of the Regional Bureau concerned.

6. The discussion in the Committee of the Whole of the mid-term reviews involved the broad participation of members and observers. Full information was made available by the Associate Administrator and by the Directors of the Regional Bureaux. This permitted an extensive examination to take place of the various issues before the Council.

7. At the meeting of the Committee of the Whole, the President of the Council, in his capacity as Chairman of the Working Group for 1989, submitted for the consideration of the Committee a report in the form of a statement on the tenth session of the Working Group of the Committee of the Whole.
IV. RECOMMENDATIONS

8. At the conclusion of its deliberations, the Committee of the Whole decided to make the following recommendations to the Council:

(a) Mid-term reviews of country and regional programmes

To take note of the following:

Reports on mid-term reviews: an overview (DP/1990/12);

Mid-term review of the fifth country programme for Algeria (DP/1990/12/Add.1);

Mid-term review of the fourth country programme for Bangladesh (DP/1990/12/Add.2);

Mid-term review of the fourth country programme for Bhutan (DP/1990/12/Add.3);

Mid-term review of the fourth country programme for Brazil (DP/1990/12/Add.4);

Mid-term review of the fourth country programme for Madagascar (DP/1990/12/Add.5);

Mid-term review of the fourth country programme for Zambia (DP/1990/12/Add.6);

Mid-term review of the second intercountry programme for Europe (DP/1990/12/Add.7);

(b) Report of the Chairman of the Working Group of the Committee of the Whole

To take note of the report of the Chairman of the Working Group of the Committee of the Whole.