1. The fourth country programme for Pakistan was approved at the thirty-fourth session of the Governing Council (June 1987) for the programme period January 1987 to December 1991. Pakistan's current Seventh Five-Year Development Plan, which commenced in July 1988, will end in June 1993. Thereafter, the Eighth Five-Year Development Plan will be launched in July 1993. In order to synchronize the fifth country programme with the next development plan, which will reflect the Government's priorities, the Government has requested that the current country programme be extended for one year. During the period of the extension, the programme is expected to reflect the growing concern and concomitant stronger political support for social development issues, sustainable environment and population growth.

2. The Administrator wishes to inform the Council that he has approved the extension of the fourth country programme for Pakistan for a period of one year beginning 1 January 1992.