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86/1. Arrangements for the Working Group of the Committee of the Whole

The Governing Council,

Decides that, subject to review at its thirty-third session, June 1986, the following arrangements shall govern the activities of the Working Group of the Committee of the Whole, established by Council decision 85/17;

(a) The membership of the Working Group shall be increased from 24 to 26 with the following allocation of seats:

African States	6 seats
Asian and Pacific States and Yugoslavia	5 seats
Latin American and Caribbean States	4 seats
Western European and other States	9 seats
Eastern European States	2 seats

Beginning in 1990, the membership will be increased to 27 every fifth year thereafter. The additional seat will be allocated to the Eastern European Group;

(b) Membership on the Working Group shall be for one year, from one organizational meeting to the following, with the possibility of re-election;

(c) The President of the Council shall be the Chairman of the Working Group; in case the Chairman of the Working Group has to be absent from a session or meeting, he/she should designate another member of the Bureau, who is a member of the Working Group to preside;

(d) The rules of procedure of the Governing Council shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to the Working Group;

(e) The Governing Council, resolving itself into the Committee of the Whole, shall assign topics to the Working Group. These topics will be chosen from among the Committee of the Whole's own agenda, in accordance with decision 85/17;

(f) Until June 1986, the topics to be assigned to the Working Group shall be derived from Council decision 83/5, section III A, paragraph 2 (c) and (d);

(g) The Governing Council, resolving itself into the Committee of the Whole shall determine the number of sessions to be held by the Working Group. The exact dates for these sessions will be determined through informal consultations by the President of the Governing Council, taking into account the availability of services and facilities and Council decision 85/17;

(h) The Working Group will receive interpretation services in the six official languages of the Council;

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- (i) The documents before the Working Group shall be:
- (i) Official documents of the Council prepared in accordance with its agenda relating to topics assigned to the Working Group in keeping with the mandate of the Committee of the Whole; such documents will be subject to the six-weeks rule in accordance with existing practices of the Council;
 - (ii) Working papers requested by the Working Group during its meetings for consideration at those or subsequent meetings; these working papers will be available to any member of the Programme wishing to obtain them provided that where time allows such papers shall be made available in the official languages of the Council;
- (j) The Chairman of the Working Group shall make a report to the Committee of the Whole in the form of a statement on the work of the Working Group on which the Committee of the Whole may deliberate. The Working Group will not be required to adopt the report;
- (k) All members of the Programme will be formally notified of all meetings of the Working Group;
- (l) The Working Group will invite participation by organizations of the United Nations system and other relevant bodies when it considers their presence required.

2nd meeting
18 February 1986

86/2. Election of the Members of the Working Group of the Committee of the Whole

The Governing Council,

Elects the following countries as members of the Working Group of the Committee of the Whole, for a term of one year to end at its organizational meeting for 1987:

Argentina, Bangladesh, Benin, Brazil, Burundi, Canada, China, Denmark, Ethiopia, France, India, Jamaica, Japan, Mexico, New Zealand, Pakistan, Poland, Saudi Arabia, Swaziland, Sweden, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, USSR, United Kingdom, and United States.

2nd and 10th meetings
18 and 21 February 1986

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86/3. Terms of office of Members of the Governing Council

The Governing Council,

Recommends to the Economic and Social Council that in electing members of the Governing Council pursuant to General Assembly resolution 2813 (XXVI) of 14 December 1971, it decides that:

"(a) Members of the Governing Council shall henceforth serve for a term of three years beginning with the organizational session of the Council in February of the year following the election and ending on the day preceding the organizational session in February three years later;

"(b) The term of office of current members of the Governing Council be adjusted accordingly".

1st meeting
18 February 1986

86/4. Schedule of meetings of the Governing Council in 1986 and organizational matters

The Governing Council,

I

Decides that the thirty-third session of the Governing Council shall be held from 2-27 June 1986, with a possible extension until 1 July 1986;

Agrees that the arrangements for the thirty-third session shall be as follows:

Plenary	2 June 1986
Committee of the Whole	2 - 7 June, 16-17 June and, if required, 28 June - 1 July 1986
High-level segment (Plenary)	9 - 13 June 1986
Plenary	18 - 27 June and, if required, 1 July 1986
Budgetary and Finance Committee	2 - 27 June 1986
Drafting Group	16 - 27 June 1986

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III

Takes note of the oral progress report made by the Secretary of the Governing Council in accordance with Council decision 85/45, para. 2 on measures taken concerning the documentation of the Council as well as on other efforts to implement the various decisions of the Council on the rationalization of its work.

II

Agrees to waive the 10-week rule for the submission of certain documents to be considered by the Governing Council at its thirty-third session, in 1986, as described in the Note by the Secretariat (DP/1986/5);

1st meeting

18 February 1986

86/5. Agenda and organization of work of the Governing Council in 1986

The Governing Council,

I

Approves the provisional agenda for its special session (DP/1986/L.2 and Add.1);

II

Approves the provisional agenda and the tentative schedule of work for its thirty-third session, in June 1986, as orally amended (DP/1986/L.3 and DP/1986/L.3/Corr.1) and on the understanding that the President would have sufficient flexibility in ensuring a smooth conduct of the session;

III

1. Agrees that the Committee of the Whole will deal with the following items of the provisional agenda:

- (a) Relevant trends and problems in country programmes;
- (b) Implementation of country programmes in various regions;
- (c) All country and intercountry programmes;
- (d) Global and interregional projects;
- (e) Evaluation matters;

2. Decides to allocate the following items of the provisional agenda to its Budgetary and Finance Committee:

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6. United Nations Fund for Population Activities: Budgetary and financial matters;
- 8 (a) - 8 (h) Other funds and programmes: Financial and administrative questions
- 9 (a) Annual review of the financial situation, 1985;
- 9 (b) Revised budget estimates for 1986 and budget estimates for 1987;
- 9 (c) Trust funds;
- 9 (d) UNDP financial regulations;
- 9 (e) Audit reports;
- 9 (f) Agency support costs;
- 9 (g) Sectoral support;
- 9 (h) Other matters.

3. Further decides that the Budgetary and Finance Committee shall also review the financial implications of draft decisions before the Governing Council takes action thereon;

IV

Reaffirms the principles contained in Section III of Governing Council decision 83/1 of 14 February 1983, which shall guide the deliberations of the Drafting Group on the understanding that draft decisions should not be circulated before the conclusion of a debate in plenary, so that the substance of the debate may be fully reflected;

V

1. Decides to open the list of speakers for the high-level segment of its session on 5 May 1986 and close it on 17 June 1986;
2. Decides that there shall be a time-limit of 15 minutes for all interventions during the debate;
3. Agrees to address issues relating to the 1986 Comprehensive Policy Review of Operational Activities for Development in the context of the high-level segment of the thirty-third session (DP/1986/73/Rev.1).

3rd meeting
19 February 1986

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86/6 Revised guidelines of the United Nations Regular Programme
for Technical Co-operation

The Governing Council,

Having considered the Note by the Administrator on the revised guidelines for the United Nations Regular Programme for Technical Co-operation (DP/1986/7);

1. Takes note of the programme of activities of the Department of Technical Co-operation for Development for 1986-1987 as contained therein;
2. Decides that no further adjustments to the existing guidelines are necessary at this time.

7th meeting
20 February 1986

86/7 United Nations Development Fund for Women

The Governing Council,

Having considered the 1986-1987 biennial budget estimates of the United Nations Development Fund for Women contained in document DP/1986/6,

1. Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (DP/1986/71);
2. Approves appropriations in the amount of \$2,172,000 to be allocated from the resources of the Fund, to finance its 1986-1987 biennial budget.

9th meeting
21 February 1986

86/8. Special programme resources

Taking note that, in accordance with the resource planning criteria endorsed by its decision 85/16, adopted at its thirty-second session (June 1985), the Special Programme Resources (SPR) to be available for the fourth programming cycle total \$76.4 million,

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Having considered the Note by the Administrator (DP/1986/2) on the use of third cycle Special Programme Resources during the current cycle and the notional planning figures intended to be established by the Administrator with regard to the use of the fourth cycle Special Programme Resources during the period 1987-1991, including an amount for country programme assessment needs,

Bearing in mind its decision 80/48, para. 7, in which it authorized the use of SPRs for specific purposes during the third IPF cycle 1982-1986,

1. Authorizes the use of Special Programme Resources during the fourth programming cycle, 1987-1991, for the following purposes in accordance with the mandates of UNDP as specified in relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Governing Council, in particular General Assembly resolution No. 2688 (XXV), subject to the notional planning figures set out in the table at page 5 of DP/1986/2,

(a) Financing emergency assistance in cases of natural disasters;

(b) Financing longer-term assistance directly related to the effects of natural disaster, intended to assist in the rehabilitation and reconstruction of stricken areas and of direct benefit to the population of the stricken areas;

(c) Financing activities related to programme development, including inter-alia those aimed at: (i) achieving more effective aid co-ordination in accordance with Governing Council decision 85/3; (ii) enhancing programme quality taking into account a final decision by the Governing Council on the Project Development Facility; (iii) promoting new initiatives innovative approaches with a potential programme-wide impact; (iv) longer-term research and development in the area of social and economic development; and (v) undertaking country programme assessment needs as agreed upon by the recipient countries concerned.

(d) Financing of contingencies;

(e) Financing action-oriented promotional activities of technical co-operation among developing countries, subject to specific amounts authorized and to be authorized by the Governing Council;

2. Requests the Administrator to report to the Council every two years as to the status and use of the Special Programme Resources.

9th meeting
21 February 1986

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86/9. Economically disadvantaged States in Southern Africa

The Governing Council,

Taking note in its decision 85/16, para. 5 (e) (v), adopted at its thirty-second session in June 1985^{1/}, in which the Governing Council decided that, in calculating country indicative planning figures (IPFs) for the fourth programming cycle, 1987-1991, one of the supplementary criteria to be applied would be the country's status as a front-line State,

Having considered the Note by the Administrator on the determination of front-line states (DP/1986/9),

Decides that the supplementary criteria contained in paragraph 5(e) (v) of decision 85/16 be now rescinded and be replaced by the designation "Economically disadvantaged States in Southern Africa" and that for purposes of calculating their fourth cycle IPFs, one supplementary point should be awarded to countries which because of their geographical location in Southern Africa and their destabilization by South Africa, are economically disadvantaged namely: Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Mozambique, Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia, and Zimbabwe

9th meeting

21 February 1986

86/10. UNDP Field offices in Belgrade and Bucharest

The Governing Council,

Decides to defer consideration of the Note by the Administrator on UNDP Field Offices in Belgrade and Bucharest (DP/1986/8) to its thirty-third session;

Requests the Administrator to conduct, in the meantime, consultations with the parties concerned.

9th meeting

21 February 1986

^{1/} See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1985, Supplement No. 11, (E/1985/32), annex I

86/11. Job classification

The Governing Council,

Recalling its decision 85/35 on the revised 1984-1985 budget adopted at its thirty-second session, June 1985,

Having considered the Report of the Administrator on implementation of the results of job classification for the general service and related categories in UNDP and UNFPA (DP/1986/72),

Authorizes the Administrator to implement the results of the classification exercise effective 1 January 1986 and to revert to the Governing Council, if necessary, on this matter in the future upon the finalization of the exercise in the United Nations.

9th meeting
21 February 1986
