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Australia, Bangladesh, Benin, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, Colombia, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Guatemala, Hungary, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Norway, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, and Zaire: draft resolution

Governance of the World Food Programme

The General Assembly,

Recalling its decision 44/414,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/79 on the governance of the World Food Programme, which is a joint programme of the United Nations and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations,

Considering that a careful review of the present arrangements governing the World Food Programme is needed,

Considering that intergovernmental oversight of the World Food Programme through the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes, which reports to the General Assembly and the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations through the Economic and Social Council and Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, together with clear lines of responsibility and accountability, are required for effective governance and should contribute to the enhancement of effectiveness and efficiency of the secretariat in carrying out the mandate of the Programme,

Recognizes the need for improved governance arrangements for the World 1. Food Programme consistent with its programme requirements, its accountability to Member States and its characteristics as an entity of the United Nations system;

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2. <u>Welcomes</u> the decision taken by the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes at its twenty-ninth session to establish a Sub-Committee on Governance and Relationships between the United Nations, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the World Food Programme, and urges the Committee to complete its review expeditiously;

3. <u>Urges</u> the Committee in conducting its review, to take into account the need for enhanced governance arrangements and improved efficiency and effectiveness of the World Food Programme and enhanced accountability to Member States;

4. <u>Requests</u> the Secretary-General, taking into account the foregoing, to continue to participate fully in the review of governance arrangements of the World Food Programme and to report to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session through the Economic and Social Council on the participation of the United Nations in the review of the governance arrangements for the World Food Programme.
