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PROGRAMME PLANNING

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 20 September 1986, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its forty-first session the item entitled:

"Programme planning:

"(a) Report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination;

"(b) Reports of the Secretary-General"

and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee

2. For its consideration of the item, the Fifth Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination (A/41/38 and Corr.1 and Corr.2); 1/

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 38 (A/41/38 and Corr.1 and 2).

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(b) Addendum (A/37/6/Add.3) 2/ and proposed revisions (A/41/6 and Add.1) 3/ to the medium-term plan for the period 1984-1989; 4/

(c) Further experience gained in the provision of statements of programme budget implications to the General Assembly at its fortieth session: report of the Secretary-General (A/41/226);

(d) Programme performance of the United Nations for the biennium 1984-1985: report of the Secretary-General (A/41/318 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1);

(e) Strengthening the capacity of the United Nations evaluation units and systems: report of the Secretary-General (A/41/670).

3. The Fifth Committee began consideration of this item at its 6th meeting, on 6 October 1986, and heard an introductory statement by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination. The Committee also considered this item at its 29th to 33rd, 39th and 40th meetings on 20, 21 November and 1 and 3 December 1986.

4. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's review of this item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/41/SR.6, 29-33, 39 and 40).

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.5/41/L.13

5. At the 39th meeting, on 1 December, the Chairman introduced draft resolution A/C.5/41/L.13. The representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland proposed that consideration of the draft resolution be postponed in order to allow informal consultations on the proposed text.

6. At the 40th meeting, on 3 December, the Committee had before it a revised draft resolution (A/C.5/41/L.13/Rev.1) submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations. The revised draft resolution contained new fourth and fifth preambular paragraphs:

"Recalling its resolutions 31/93 of 14 December 1976 and 37/234 of 21 December 1982 and Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (XL) of 14 May 1976,

"Recalling further the mandate of the Board of Auditors, as stated in regulations 12.4 and 12.5 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations,".

2/ Ibid., Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 6C (A/37/6/Add.3).

3/ Ibid., Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/41/6 and Add.1).

4/ Ibid., Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/37/6 and Corr.1).

7. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/41/L.13/Rev.1 without objection (see para. 8).

III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

8. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Programme planning

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the work of its twenty-sixth session, 5/

Having also considered Economic and Social Council resolution 1986/51 of 22 July 1986 on the above-mentioned report and also Council resolutions 1986/50 and 1986/52 of 22 July 1986 on the Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination and on the duration of the twenty-seventh session of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination, respectively,

Having considered further the views of the Main Committees of the General Assembly 6/ on the proposed revisions to the medium-term plan for the period 1984-1989, 7/

Recalling its resolutions 31/93 of 14 December 1976 and 37/234 of 21 December 1982 and Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (XL) of 14 May 1976,

Recalling further the mandate of the Board of Auditors, as stated in regulations 12.4 and 12.5 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations,

1. Adopts the revisions 7/ and the addendum 8/ to the medium-term plan for the period 1984-1989, 9/ as modified by the recommendations of the

5/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 38 (A/41/38 and Corr.1 and 2).

6/ A/C.5/41/59.

7/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/41/6 and Add.1).

8/ Ibid., Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 6C (A/37/6/Add.3).

9/ Ibid., Supplement No. 6 (A/37/6 and Corr.1).

Committee for Programme and Co-ordination 10/ together with the other conclusions and recommendations of the Committee at its twenty-sixth session, as endorsed by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1986/51, taking into account the views of the Main Committees of the General Assembly, in particular those expressed by the Third Committee 11/ concerning the promotion and monitoring of the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women; 12/

2. Decides that the twenty-seventh session of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination should be of five weeks' duration, as recommended by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1986/52;

3. Accepts, as agreed by the members of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination and endorsed by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1986/50, that the topic for the twenty-second series of Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination shall be "Co-ordination of the activities of the United Nations system in human resources development and its contribution to meeting the economic and social objectives of the developing countries";

4. Urges the two Committees, in order to reinforce a useful and constructive dialogue between them, to continue to improve these Joint Meetings.

10/ Ibid., Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 38 (A/41/38 and Corr.1 and 2), chap. III, sects. C.1 and C.2.

11/ See A/C.5/41/59.

12/ Report of the World Conference to Review and Appraise the Achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, Nairobi, 15-26 July 1985 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.85.IV.10), chap. I, sect. A.