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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN OF ACTION
TO COMBAT DESERTIFICATION

Report of the Executive Director

Addendum

INTER-AGENCY WORKING GROUP ON DESERTIFICATION

1. In response to the recommendations of the first meeting of the Working Group (Geneva, 17 and 18 December 1979), and in conformity with the recommendations of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, the Working Group met at Geneva from 24 to 26 March 1980 to review the material submitted by agencies and organizations of the United Nations system on their activities, both in progress and planned, in the area of desertification.
2. The meeting, which was attended by representatives of the United Nations Department of Technical Co-operation for Development, UNEP, UNIDO, UNDP, ILO, WHO and WMO, reviewed and evaluated the material submitted by the Department of Technical Co-operation for Development, ECLA, ESCAP, UNIDO, UNDP, UNDRO, WFP, ILO, WHO, WMO and the World Bank. Based on its analysis of the information provided, the Working Group adopted a table of contents for an analytical report to be prepared by the UNEP Desertification Unit which will be circulated to members of the Working Group before finalization, and thereafter submitted to the next meeting of the Working Group, to be held in connexion with the meeting of the designated officials for environmental matters in September 1980.