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APPOINTMENTS TO FILL VACANCIES IN SUBSIDIARY ORGANS AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Confirmation of the appointment of the Executive Director of the United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries

Note by the Secretary-General

- 1. According to article 6, paragraph 1, of the statute of the United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries (General Assembly resolution 31/177, annex), the Executive Director of the Fund shall be appointed by the Secretary-General subject to confirmation by the General Assembly.
- 2. As requested by the General Assembly in its resolution 31/177 of 21 December 1976, the Fund has been managed up to the present by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), in close collaboration with the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD).
- 3. In its resolution 32/113 of 15 December 1977, the General Assembly authorized the Administrator of UNDP to propose, in close collaboration with the Secretary-General of UNCTAD, interim arrangements to implement the aims and purposes laid down in the statute of the Fund until it became operational, in the manner specified in Assembly resolution 31/177, subject to approval of such arrangements by the Governing Council of UNDP.
- 4 . In its decision 25/15 of 28 June 1978, $\underline{1}$ / the Governing Council of UNDP adopted the interim arrangements submitted by the Administrator.
- 5. In its resolution 33/85 of 15 December 1978, the General Assembly further requested the Administrator of UNDP, in consultation with the Secretary-General of UNCTAD and other related institutions, to pursue his action in favour of

^{1/} See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1978, Twenty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 13 (E/1978/53/Rev.1), chap. XX.

land-locked developing countries in the framework of the interim arrangements, taking into account that each country concerned should receive appropriate technical and financial assistance.

- 6. The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development adopted resolution 123 (V) of 3 June 1979, 2/ by which, in paragraph 9, it endorses the interim arrangements under which the Special Fund is managed by the Administrator of UNDP in close co-operation with the Secretary-General of UNCTAD.
- 7. By its decision 79/7 of 26 June 1979, the Governing Council of UNDP endorsed General Assembly resolution 33/85 and UNCTAD resolution 123 (V) of 3 June 1979, by which it appealed for more funds.
- 8. In its resolution 34/209 of 19 December 1979, the General Assembly reiterated the request contained in its resolution 33/85.
- 9. At its twenty-seventh session, the Governing Council of UNDP adopted decision 80/21, on 26 June 1980, under which it appealed, "in the light of General Assembly resolution 34/198 on 19 December 1979 on specific action related to the particular needs and problems of land-locked developing countries, to Governments and international organizations to contribute urgently and generously to the Special Fund". 3/ The Governing Council's decision was noted by the Economic and Social Council in its decision 1980/177 of 25 July 1980.
- 10. At the 1980 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities, held on 6 November 1980, an amount of \$63,451 was pledged to the United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries.
- 11. In its resolution 35/82 of 5 December 1980, the General Assembly again requested the Administrator of UNDP, in consultation with the Secretary-General of UNCTAD and other related institutions, to pursue action in favour of land-locked developing countries within the framework of the interim arrangements, taking into account that each country concerned should receive appropriate technical and financial assistance.
- 12. In the circumstances, the Secretary-General is not submitting an appointment for confirmation by the General Assembly.

^{2/} See TD/260, part one, sect. A.

^{3/} See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1980, Supplement No. 12 (E/1980/42/Rev.1), chap. XI.