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Programme of work in population for the biennium
1996-1997

Note by the Secretary-General

1. At its twenty-seventh session, the Population Commission had before it, for information, the programmes of work in the field of population for the biennium 1994-1995 of the Department for Economic and Social Information and Policy Analysis. Those programmes had been prepared under the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997, adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 45/253, and were subsequently approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 46/185.

2. The Population Commission has before it for consideration at its current session the proposed programme of work in population for the biennium 1996-1997. The programme of work still has to be reviewed by the Committee for Programme and Coordination, the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Fifth Committee, and approved by the General Assembly at its fiftieth session.

3. The programme of work has been prepared in accordance with the guidelines set out in the World Population Plan of Action, 1/ General Assembly resolutions 3344 (XXIX), 3345 (XXIX) and 39/228 and Economic and Social Council resolutions 1986/7, 1989/92 and 1991/92, and within the framework of chapter 18 of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997, adopted by the General Assembly in

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resolution 45/253 and later revised at its forty-seventh session (A/47/6/Rev.1). It also follows upon the work programme approved by the Council in resolutions 1979/33, 1981/29, 1984/4, 1985/5, 1987/71, 1989/93 and 1991/92 and takes into account the Programme of Action adopted by the International Conference on Population and Development, held in Cairo in September 1994, and endorsed by the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session in its resolution 49/128.

4. The proposed programme of work has been designed to undertake follow-up activities relating to the International Conference on Population and Development, to carry out research findings in the most effective manner possible, and to provide substantive support for technical cooperation projects in the field of population. Priorities are set within the framework of the World Population Plan of Action, 1/ the recommendations for its further implementation adopted by the International Conference on Population, held at Mexico City in 1984, 2/ and the recommendations of the International Conference on Population and Development, held in Cairo in 1994, set out in its Programme of Action. 3/ Relevant extracts from the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 of the Department for Economic and Social Information and Policy Analysis are presented in document E/CN.9/1995/CRP.1.

Notes

1/ Report of the United Nations World Population Conference, 1974, Bucharest, 19-30 August 1974 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.74.XIII.3), chap. I.

2/ Report of the International Conference on Population, 1984, Mexico City, 6-14 August 1984 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.84.XIII.8 and corrigenda).

3/ "Report of the International Conference on Population and Development, Cairo, 5-13 September 1994" (A/CONF.171/13 and Add.1), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.
