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DRAFT DECISION

96/xx. Matters related to rules of procedure, documentation
and the functioning of the Executive Board.

The Executive Board

A. Rules of procedure

1. Decides to convene an open-ended ad-hoc working group on rules of procedure for the Executive Board and requests the Secretary of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Fund for Population to assist and support the consultations, inter alia through the preparation of adequate documentation;
2. Requests the President of the Executive Board to report to the Executive Board at its third regular session 1996 on the progress achieved during the process with a view to reaching a final decision on rules of procedure at the first regular session of the Executive Board in January 1997;

B. Working group on documentation

3. Takes note of the interim report of the working group on documentation and the comments made on the report in the Executive Board and encourages the working group on documentation to finalize its work and present a report, including recommendations, to the Executive Board at its third regular session 1996;

C. Functioning of the Executive Board

4. Emphasizes the need to ensure that the approach to the working methods of the Executive Board continue flexible and practical;

5. Decides to introduce an annual work plan for the Executive Board and requests the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Fund for Population to prepare, for the third regular session, an outline of issues that could be considered by the Board in 1997, based on previous Board deliberations and the organizational priorities and objectives set for 1997, with a view to adopting a work plan for the Board at the first regular session 1997, based on the proposals made on this matter by delegations during the 1996 annual session;

6. Recognizes the need for further work to be done on improving the quality and relevance of documentation submitted to the Board and to review the agenda of the Board in order to focus deliberations at each meeting of the Executive Board.
