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DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION:
INDUSTRIALIZATION

Industrial development co-operation

Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution
contained in document A/C.2/36/L.141 as orally revised

Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with
rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly

1. At its 46th meeting, held on 7 December 1981, the Second Committee adopted the draft resolution contained in document A/C.2/36/L.141 as orally revised. At the same meeting, the Chairman informed the Committee that the statement of administrative and financial implications contained in document A/C.2/36/L.138, relating to the draft resolution contained in document A/C.2/36/L.82, would also apply to the draft resolution contained in document A/C.2/36/L.141.

2. Under the terms of operative paragraph 5 in section A of the draft resolution, the General Assembly would strongly support the strengthening of the system of consultations, in the light of experience gained and of the relevant decisions of the Industrial Development Board, giving particular attention to measures which could increase the industrial capacities of developing countries, and would request the Board to consider, at its sixteenth session, the possibility of including consultation meetings in the biennium 1982-1983 in addition to those listed in paragraph 171 of the report of the Board on the work of its fifteenth session. 1/

3. In paragraph 171 of the report of the Industrial Development Board on its fifteenth session, the Board decided that the programme of consultation meetings

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-sixth Session,
Supplement No. 16 (A/36/16).

for the biennium 1982-1983 should comprise the following, subject to the completion of the essential preparatory arrangements:

- Global Consultation on the Training of Industrial Manpower
- Global Consultation on Industrial Financing
- Third Consultation on the Iron and Steel Industry
- Second Consultation on the Pharmaceutical Industry
- Second Consultation on the Agricultural Machinery Industry
- First Consultation on the Wood and Wood Products Industry

4. The Secretary-General's proposed programme budget for the biennium 1982-1983, 2/ indicates, in paragraph 17.26, that 11 consultation meetings are envisaged in the same biennium. All the consultation meetings which the Industrial Development Board had decided, at its fifteenth session, to hold in 1982-1983, subject to the completion of the preparatory arrangements, are included in the Secretary-General's proposed programme budget for the biennium 1982-1983, with the one exception concerning the First Consultation on the Wood and Wood Products Industry.

5. The Secretary-General considers that in order to cope with the additional work related to the First Consultation on Wood and Wood Products Industry, two new Professional posts at the P-4 level and a new General Service post, at an estimated cost of \$176,600, would be required. The first new Professional post, assisted by the new General Service post, would undertake the preparatory work for the First Consultation while the second new Professional post, together with \$100,000 for consultants, would be needed to prepare sectoral studies for this new area of consultations and background papers on issues to be considered at the consultation meeting. A sum of \$42,500 would be required to hold two ad hoc expert group meetings, one to assist the secretariat of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) in examining issues, assessing progress, formulating proposals for action and examining technical aspects, and the second, to discuss the work programme based on the recommendations of the First Consultation on the Wood and Wood Products Industry. A breakdown of the related costs in 1982 and 1983 is provided below:

	<u>1982</u>	<u>1983</u>	<u>Total</u>
	\$	\$	\$
(a) <u>Established posts</u>			
2 P-4	53 800	56 600	110 400
1 General Services	<u>11 800</u>	<u>12 500</u>	<u>24 300</u>
Total, salaries	65 600	69 100	134 700

2/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/36/6), vol. II.

	<u>1982</u> \$	<u>1983</u> \$	<u>Total</u> \$
Common staff costs	<u>20 400</u>	<u>21 500</u>	<u>41 900</u>
Total, established posts	36 000	90 600	176 600 <u>a/</u>
(b) <u>Consultants</u>	48 800	51 200	100 000
(c) <u>Ad hoc expert groups</u>	<u>20 700</u>	<u>21 800</u>	<u>42 500</u>
Total	<u>155 500</u>	<u>163 600</u>	<u>319 100</u>

a/ These posts are costed with the standard turnover deduction of 50 per cent for new Professional posts and 35 per cent for new General Services posts.

6. Under the terms of operative paragraph 8 in section A of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.2/36/L.141, the General Assembly would decide to ensure that adequate resources were made available to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization for priority activities on the basis of consensus reflected in recent sessions of the Permanent Committee of the Industrial Development Board and of the Board itself.

7. It should be recalled that at its thirty-fifth session, the General Assembly approved the revised programme budget of UNIDO for 1981 submitted by the Secretary-General in document A/C.5/35/44 and Corr.1, which took account of the additional resources required for the implementation of the programme of priorities adopted by the Industrial Development Board at its fourteenth session. Consequently, in the absence of more recent decisions by the Board that would give rise to new priority activities, the Secretary-General considers that adequate resources have been provided to UNIDO and no additional resources would need to be requested at the current session of the General Assembly.

8. Under the terms of operative paragraph 11 in section A of the draft resolution, the General Assembly would request the Executive Director of UNIDO, at the request of the developing countries, to increase technical co-operation and programmes and projects in energy-related industrial technology on the basis, inter alia, of agreements reached at the United Nations Conference on New and Renewable Sources of Energy, held at Nairobi from 10 to 21 August 1981. Under the terms of operative paragraph 12 of section A of the draft resolution, the General Assembly would also request the Executive Director of UNIDO to increase technical co-operation and the programmes and projects for the least developed countries on the basis of their requests and as envisaged in the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries.

9. Bearing in mind that in paragraph 17.54 of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1982-1983 the Secretary-General has indicated that nine new programme elements are proposed in the work programme in priority areas identified at the Third General Conference of UNIDO including, inter alia, energy-related industrial technology and special measures for least developed countries, no additional resources over those already requested in the proposed programme budget would be required.

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10. In operative paragraph 13 of section A of the draft resolution, the General Assembly would decide to ensure that adequate resources were made available to UNIDO to assist developing countries in the preparation of the industrial programmes and projects referred to in operative paragraphs 11 and 12 of that draft resolution. Since these responsibilities fall within the technical co-operation activities undertaken by UNIDO, no additional resources would be required from the regular budget.

11. Under the terms of operative paragraphs 3 and 4 of section B of the draft resolution, the General Assembly would request the Executive Director of UNIDO to provide adequate resources, including human resources, for the co-ordination unit for the Industrial Development Decade for Africa and would decide to allocate adequate financial resources to assist in the rapid industrialization of Africa within the time-frame and scope of the Lagos Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Monrovia Strategy for the Economic Development of Africa, with particular reference to the least developed countries, as from the 1982-1983 biennium.

12. The Secretary-General considers that the activities contained in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1982-1983, particularly those in the area of industrial technology, industrial production and development of human resources, are also relevant to activities in support of the Industrial Development Decade for Africa, and therefore, no additional resources would be requested at this stage.

13. In summary, should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution contained in document A/C.2/36/L.141 as orally revised, additional appropriations totalling \$319,100 would be required under section 17, UNIDO, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1982-1983 as broken down in paragraph 5 above. In addition, an appropriation of \$35,800 would be required for staff assessment in section 31, which is offset by an equal amount in income section 1, as follows:

	<u>1982</u> \$	<u>1983</u> \$	<u>Total</u> \$
Staff assessment, section 31	17 900	17 900	35 800
Income from staff assessment income section 1	<u>(17 900)</u>	<u>(17 900)</u>	<u>(35 800)</u>
Total	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>