



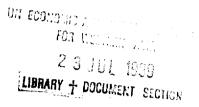


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FOLLOW-UP ACTION ON THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE COMMISSION ADOPTED AT ITS NINETEENTH SESSION

Resolution 209 (XIX) on the programme of work and priorities for the biennium 1996-1997

- 1. In its resolution 209 (XIX) of 7 May 1997 on the programme of work and priorities for the biennium 1996-1997, the Commission took note of the changes made by the ESCWA secretariat in programmed activities and of the reasons for those changes, approving them, and requesting the Executive Secretary to report to the member States any subsequent changes introduced thereto.
- 2. The annex table to the present report lists the seven outputs that were modified after the nineteenth session of the Commission, along with relevant justifications. Most of the modifications are attributable to the high vacancy rate; the remainder derive from particular programmatic circumstances.

Annex table

Modifications introduced after the Commission's nineteenth session in programmed activities for the biennium 1996-1997

Subprogramme	Output	Modification
Subprogramme 1.	Non-recurrent publication	
Management of		
natural resources and	Survey on incorporating the	Reformulated and reduced in scope owing
environment	environmental dimension into	to the high vacancy rate
	development plans	
Subprogramme 2.	Advisory services	
Improvement of the		
quality of life	Formulation and evaluation of	Terminated, as no requests on the subject
	national population policies (RB/XB)	were received
	Group training	
	Workshop on community	Terminated as per instructions received
	development (XB)	from the United Nations Development
		Programme (New York) owing to the
		embargo imposed on Sudan, where the
		workshop was scheduled to be held
		Six background studies on community
		development experiences, originally
		prepared for the workshop, were utilized as
		inputs into an umbrella project on
		community development services
Subprogramme 3.	Recurrent publication	community development services
Economic development		
and cooperation	Journal of Development (biennial)	Terminated at the initiative of the
		secretariat owing to the high vacancy rate
	Ad hoc expert group meetings	3
	Prospects for establishing a regional	Terminated at the initiative of the
	gas network	secretariat to avoid duplicating the work of
	gus network	other agencies
	Non-recurrent publications	
	Proposal for the establishment of a	Terminated at the initiative of the
	mechanism for a regional gas network	secretariat owing to the high vacancy rate
	Technical material	
	Development and maintenance of the	Terminated at the initiative of the
	database on economic statistics	secretariat owing to the high vacancy rate
