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Working methods

The Executive Board

1. *Welcomes* the joint response prepared by the secretariats of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women);

2. *Emphasizes* the importance of coherence, collaboration and coordination in the work of the Executive Boards of the funds and programmes, while reaffirming the authority of each Board to adopt decisions at its own discretion;

3. *Requests* the secretariat of UNICEF, in collaboration with the secretariats of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS and UN-Women, to present to the Executive Board for deliberation and consideration at the first regular session of 2020 an example of an annual programme of work, including informal briefings, for each of the three options presented in the joint response, with corresponding explanatory narratives on the envisaged changes and their expected effect on Board oversight, effectiveness and efficiency, as well as further elaboration on the listed issues of joint relevance and interest to all Boards.

