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ACBREVIATIONS

ACC Advisory Committee on Co-ordination

CCSQ Consultative Committee on Substantive Questions

CPC Committee for Programme and Co-ordination

CSDHA Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs

ECA Economic Commission for Africa

ECE Economic Commission for Europe

ECLAC Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

ESCWA Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

ESCAP Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

FAO Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

ITC International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT

UNCITRAL United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

UNCTAD United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

UNDP United Nations Development Programme

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme

UNESCO United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

UNICEF United Nations Children's Fund

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization

INTRODUCTION

A. Legislative background

According to regulation 3.9 of the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation, 1/ the medium-term plan should cover a period of six years. As the current medium-term plan covers the period 1984-1989, 2/ a new plan should be adopted for the period 1990-1995. However, owing to the various reasons outlined in his note of 2 September 1987 (A/42/512), the Secretary-General proposed that the current medium-term plan be extended for two years through 1991. At its resumed twenty-seventh session held in September 1987, the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination (CPC) considered this proposal and, as an exceptional measure, recommended, inter alia, that the General Assembly give favourable consideration to continuing through 1991 the priorities and activities of the medium-term plan for the period 1984-1989, subject to a thorough and extensive review of that plan as may be required by legislative mandates anacted by the Assembly and by the functional and regional intergovernmental bodies within their spheres of competence. 3/ The recommendation of the Committee was endorsed by the General Assembly in its resolution 42/215 of 21 December 1987, section II, paragraph 2.

B. Purpose of the revision and procedures used

- 2. The purpose of the present revision is to extend the current medium-term plan to cover the period 1990-1991, to incorporate any development or mandates that may have occurred subsequent to the last revision 4/ and to make the necessary adjustments so that the plan can provide a framework for the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1990-1991. Consequently, the primary focus of the present revision is the subprogramme narrative presenting objectives and strategies. For programmes or subprogrammes where no revisions are proposed, the current priorities and activities would continue to apply in 1990-1991.
- 3. In the internal instructions for the preparation of the proposed revision to the current medium-term plan, three types of revisions were indicated:
- (a) <u>Completely new subprogrammes</u>: a completely new subprogramme is undertaken only in a case where the legislative mandate adopted after the approval of the last revision to the plan called for activities whose objectives and strategy are not envisaged in the current plan;
- (b) <u>Substantive revisions of existing programmes or subprogrammes</u>: substantive revision of a programme or subprogramme is undertaken if there has been a change in the legislative basis, or in the problems addressed, significant enough to invalidate the objective or the approach presented in the strategy. An organizational change that does not affect the subprogramme's objectives or strategy does not necessarily require a revision of the plan;
- (c) <u>Small textual revisions</u>: where new circumstances do not warrant the change in an objective or strategy, but some adjustments in the text of the current plan none the less seem needed to programme managers, those adjustments have been recorded internally but are not included in the present revision of the plan, unless they affect the objectives or strategy for the 1990-1991 biennium or unless

there is good reason for bringing them to the attention of the intergovernmental review bodies. The reaffirmation of the existing legislation by new legislation is noted only if it leads to changes in the objectives or strategy of a subprogramme.

C. Overview of the proposed revisions

- 4. The proposed revisions are summarized in the annex to the present introduction. There are 31 major programmes in the plan. Revisions are proposed for 27 of these major programmes. The following four are not considered:
- (a) Major programme 4: Political affairs, trusteeship and decolonization. Changes in the department and office servicing this major programme are reported in the revised estimates for the programme budget for the biennium 1988-1989, but the general orientation of the major programme remains valid for 1990-1991;
- (b) Major programme 5: Disaster relief. Appropriate changes, particularly in the light of General Assembly resolution 42/169 of 11 December 1987 on the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction, will be proposed in the context of the next medium-term plan;
- (c) Major programme 8: International protection of and assistance to refugees. It is considered that the general orientation and the programme structure of this major programme provide an adequate basis for the 1990-1991 programme budget;
- (d) Major programme 25: Marine affairs. Revisions were not warranted at this time. A number of significant organizational changes affecting this domain of activity were reported to the General Assembly with the proposed programme budget for 1988-1989. These changes, involving a consolidation of activities and streamlining of structures, do not alter the general orientations, objectives and strategy embodied in this major programme.
- 5. It should be noted that major programme 15 entitled "Industrial development" is now under the responsibility of UNIDO as a specialized agency. Only one revision is proposed for the regional programme in Western Asia. The other regional programmes are seen to be compatible with the activities of the regional commissions during the next biennium. The whole major programme, however, will have to be reconsidered for the next medium-term plan.
- 6. A revision of their general orientation is proposed for six major programmes. In the case of major programme 2 entitled "Special political affairs, special political questions and special mandates", the change is textual and reflects a resolution adopted by the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session. For major programme 9 entitled "Public information", the proposed new text is in line with the reform currently under way in the department concerned. Regarding major programme 22 entitled "Statistics", the modifications stem from an increased need for international data in three domains (services, household and small scale industrial activity, and the situation of women), which is balanced by a proposed curtailment of efforts in three other domains (price statistics, income distribution statistics, and the overall review of statistical publications). As the major programme "Financial services" becomes "Programme planning, budgeting and financial services" (programme 26), its general orientation is revised to express a closer integration between its various facets. Similarly, the revised major

programme 27 entitled "Human resources management" expresses the development of a coherent personnel policy. Lastly, the creation of integrated information systems and the management of new technologies throughout the Secretariat explain the revisions of major programme 29 entitled "Other management and technical support services".

- 7. It should be noted that the revisions proposed for some major programmes are of a limited scope. For example, in major programme 10 entitled "Development issues and policies", only three subprogrammes out of a total of 33 are affected; in major programme 11 entitled "Energy", two of the 17 subprogrammes are touched; in major programme 13 entitled "Food and agriculture", the proportion is two out of 14 subprogrammes; and in major programme 17, "Natural resources", as well as 24, "Transport, communications and tourism", the proposed revisions are also affecting only a few subprogrammes.
- 8. The 31 major programmes of the plan comprise 152 programmes. Only one additional programme is proposed entitled "Research and the collection of information". The proposed revisions affect 66, i.e., 43 per cent, of these programmes. In turn, approximately 27 per cent of these 18 programmes are concentrated in the area of common services, which include major programmes 26 to 31. This reflects essentially the reorganization of the Department of Administration and Management. Other areas of concentration of the proposed revisions are: international trade and development finance (7 programmes), social development and humanitarian affairs (5 programmes) and statistics (5 programmes). Also, revisions are sought in the two existing programmes on political and Security Council affairs activities and on disarmament, subsumed under major programme 1.
- 9. The plan includes 435 subprogrammes, or an average of more than eight per programme. Of these 105, or 22 per cent, are proposed for revision. A majority of the changes affect the four elements of the subprogrammes, that is, legislative authority, objectives, problem addressed and strategy. Given the different character of this revision, however, a particular emphasis has been placed on change in the strategies, so as to ensure an adequate framework for the work of the Secretariat during the biennium 1990-1991.
- 10. A total of 19 subprogrammes are proposed for deletion. These are the following:
- (a) Major programme 7; programme 1: Division of Narcotics Drugs; subprogramme 3: Supply and demand reduction. With the suppression of this subprogramme, supply reduction would be reassigned to subprogramme 1 and demand reduction to subprogramme 4. These two subprogrammes are revised accordingly;
- (b) Major programme 9: Public information; subprogramme 4: System-wide co-operation. The content of this subprogramme is reflected in the three other subprogrammes which are themselves significantly revised;
- (c) Major programme 14; programme 5: Human settlements in Western Asia (ESCWA); subprogramme 3: Building materials; and subprogramme 4: Survey, analysis and evaluation of the impact and effectiveness of prefabrication. Activities under these two subprogrammes will be completed by the end of 1989. Following their deletion, related issues would be dealt with under subprogramme 1;

- (d) Major programme 16: International trade and development finance; programme 9: Trade promotion and export development (ITC). Four subprogrammes (1 and 8 and 2 and 4) would be regrouped into two subprogrammes;
- (e) Major programme 18; programme 4: Population in Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC); subprogramme 4: Population documentation and data processing. With the deletion of this subprogramme, related activities have been incorporated in the revised three other subprogrammes;
- (f) Major programme 22: Statistics. It is proposed to delete subprogramme 3 entitled "Statistical development and regional statistical co-operation" in the relevant programme of ECLAC;
- (g) Major programme 26: Programme planning, budgeting and financial services. In the context of a comprehensive revision of this major programme, two subprogrammes: "Investment management of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund", and "Salaries, allowances and other entitlements" would no longer be part of this programme;
- (h) Major programme 27: Human resources management. The structure of this major programme would still comprise five programmes, but with a comprehensive revision that would reduce the number of subprogrammes from 14 to 11;
- (i) Major programme 28. It is proposed to delete the subprogramme on communications;
- (j) Major programme 29: Other management and technical support services. The subprogramme on administrative management service would be subsumed under major programme 26;
- (k) Major programme 31: Programme Planning and Co-ordination. Four subprogrammes are proposed for deletion, to be subsumed under major programme 26.
- 11. It is also proposed to add 12 subprogrammes to the current plan. These are the following:
- (a) The new programme on research and the collection of information (major programme 1) involves the creation of a new subprogramme;
- (b) A new subprogramme on planning and co-ordination of public policies would be established in programme 5 (ECLAC) of major programme 10 on development issues and policies;
- (c) A new subprogramme on co-ordination of the regional inter-agency programme on integrated rural development would be established in programme 6 (ESCAP) of major programme 13 on food and agriculture;
- (d) A new subprogramme on trade information, market research and trade promotion would be established in programme 10 (ECA) of major programme 16 on international trade and development finance;
- (e) A new subprogramme on monitoring, review and appraisal of the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women would be established in programme 1 entitled "Global social development

issues (CSDHA)" of major programme 21 on social development and humanitarian affairs:

- (f) In the same major programme, a new subprogramme on social policy development, planning and institution building would be added to programme 2 entitled "Social development in Africa (ECA)";
- (g) Still in major programme 21, a new subprogramme on facilitation of human resources development would be added to programme 5 entitled "Social development in Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)";
- (h) A new subprogramme on government computerization is proposed under programme 7 entitled "Statistics in Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)" of major programme 22;
- (i) Under major programme 26 entitled "Programme planning, budgeting and financial services", the creation of three new subprogrammes is the result of a regrouping of activities and is balanced by the deletion of two subprogrammes plus four others in major programme 31;
- (j) A new subprogramme on mail operation would replace the deleted subprogramme on communications in programme 3 entitled "Technical support services" of major programme 28.
- 12. In its current format, the medium-term plan includes a description of the organization of the secretariat units sometimes with staff resources servicing the various programmes. The proposed revisions do not indicate the organizational changes undertaken by the Secretary-General since the adoption by the General Assembly of resolution 41/213 on 19 December 1986. Such changes are brought to the attention of the Assembly through the revised estimates for the programme budget for the biennium 1988-1989, particularly in sections III and V of that document. It will be possible to relate the structure of the plan, the structure of the intergovernmental machinery and the organization of the Secretariat when presenting the next medium-term plan which is to cover the period starting in 1992.
- 13. One of the qualifications attached by the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination to its recommendation that the General Assembly should give favourable consideration to a continuation of the current medium-term plan through 1991 was the following:
 - "(a) The revisions to the medium-term plan for the period 1984-1989 should take into account the level of programme implementation. For that purpose, an assessment of programme performance since the adoption of the plan, to be made in both quantitative and qualitative terms, should be submitted to CPC at its twenty-eighth session." $\underline{3}$ /

When preparing the revisions which are given in the present document, the various departments and offices made a series of assessments on the state of affairs in their area of activity. New strategies are proposed when it appears that the objectives were out of reach. New mandates modifying the policy orientations elaborated by Member States are given to reorient the work of the Secretariat. In that sense, the proposed revisions reflect dispersed elements of a qualitative judgement on programme performance. The request of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination went, of course, far beyond this implicit and piecemeal assessment.

At the time of the consideration of the present document by the Committee, the Secretariat should be in a position to present, in an appropriate form, elements of a global answer to this important question.

14. The annex to this introduction reflects the complexity of the current medium-term plan. It will be recalled that the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination recommended that "(c) The next medium-term plan should be improved in its format, content and presentation. CPC should be apprised, at its twenty-eighth session, of the proposals of the Secretary-General in that regard". 3/ This will be done in the context of the presentation of the draft intoduction to the next medium-term plan.

ANNEX
Summary of proposed revisions

		Programmes			Subprogrammes		Ī	
	Major programmes	Total	Revised	Total	Revised	Deleted	Added	
1.	Political and							
	Security Council	_	_					
	affairs activities	3 <u>a</u> /	2	10	7	-	1 <u>a</u> /	
2.	Special political							
	affairs, special							
	political questions							
	and special mandates b/	3	1	7	1	_	_	
3.	International							
	justice and law	5	2	21	6	-	-	
4.	Political affairs,							
-•	trusteeship and							
	decolonization	4		10	_	_	_	
		_		20				
5.	Disaster relief	1	-	4	-	-	-	
_	••	_						
6.	Human rights	1	-	4	_	_	-	
7.	International							
	drug control	2	1	8	2	1	_	
		_	-	Ü	.	-		
8.	International							
	protection of							
	and assistance							
	to refugees	2	-	10	-	-	-	
9.	Public information b/	1	1	4	2	•		
J.	rubile intolmation by	1	1	4	3	1	-	
10.	Development issues							
	and policies							
	- Central programmes	2	1	11	1	_	_	
	 Regional programmes 	5	2	22	1	-	1	
11.	Energy							
11.	- Central programmes	2	1	4	7			
	- Regional programmes	5	1 1	4 13	1 1	_		
	regional programmes	J	1	13	1.	-	· <u>-</u>	
12.	Environment							
	- Central programmes	1	1	10	5	_	-	
	- Regional programmes	5	_	8		-	-	
10	Food and and subtrees							
13.	Food and agriculture	1		-				
	- Central programmes - Regional programmes	1 5	2	1	⊷ 1	-	-	
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	Major marrie		grammes		Subproc	rammes	
	Major programmes	Total	Revised	Total	Revised	Deleted	Added
14.							
14.		_					
	- Central programmes	1	1	8	5	_	-
	- Regional programmes	5	2	17	4	2	-
15.	Industrial development						
	 Central programmes 	3	_	13			
	- Regional programmes	5	1	16	1	-	_
16.	International trade						
	and development						
	finance						
	- Central programmes	9	5	28	4	2	
	- Regional programmes	5	2	21	4 1	2 -	1
17.	Natural resources						
	- Central programmes	2	2	7	2		
	- Regional programmes	5	.	11	3	-	-
	Z = - 3,	J	_	11	_	_	-
18.	Population						
	- Central programmes	2	2	9	3		
	- Regional programmes	4	2	13	7	1	-
L9.	Public administration						
	and finance						
	 Central programmes 	1	1	5	3	_	_
	- Regional programmes	2	-	3	_	~	-
0.	Science and technology						
	- Central programmes	2	2	6	6	_	1
	- Regional programmes	5	_	13	-	-	-
1.	Social development and						
	humanitarian affairs						
	 Central programmes 	1	1	11	4	_	1
	- Regional programmes	4	4	10	4	_	2
2.	Statistics <u>b</u> /						
	- Central programmes	2	2	8	2	1	
	- Regional programmes	5	3	13	2	-	1
3.	Transnational						
	corporations	1	1	3	3	-	
4.	Transport, communica-						
	tions and tourism						
	- Central programmes	2	1	6	1	_	_
	- Regional programmes	5	1	25	1	_	_
5.	Marine affairs						
	- Central programmes	2	_	7	_	_	_
	- Regional programmes	3	_	4	_	-	_
	- Regional programmes		-	7 4	-	-	

		Programmes			Subprogrammes		
	Major programmes	Total	Revised	Total	Revised	Deleted	Added
26.	Financial services <u>b</u> / <u>c</u> /	7	4 <u>d</u> /	14	2	2	3
27.	Personnel management services <u>b</u> / <u>e</u> /	5	5	14	11 <u>f</u> /	3	-
28.	General services	3	2	7	3	1	1
29.	Other management and technical support services <u>b</u> /	4	4 g/	7	6	1	-
30.	Conference and library services	8	2	19	2	-	_
31.	Programme planning and co-ordination j/	2	1 <u>h</u> /	6	-	4 <u>i</u> /	<u>-</u>
-	Total	153 <u>a</u> /	66	485	105	19	12

 $[\]underline{\mathtt{a}}/$ Including the new programme entitled "Research and collection of information".

- \underline{b} / Revision of text on the general orientation of the major programme.
- \underline{c} / Revised to "Programme planning, budgeting and financial services".
- \underline{d} / Of which two are proposed for deletion.
- \underline{e} / Revised to "Human resources management".
- $\underline{\mathbf{f}}$ / Subprogrammes regrouped differently under the five programmes.
- g/ Of which two are proposed for deletion.
- \underline{h} / Incorporated with changes in major programme 26.
- i/ Subprogrammes incorporated with change in major programme 26.
- j/ Revised to "Programme co-ordination".

CHAPTER 1. POLITICAL AND SECURITY COUNCIL AFFAIRS ACTIVITIES

II. PROGRAMMES

PROGRAMME 1. POLITICAL AND SECURITY COUNCIL AFFAIRS ACTIVITIES (excluding activities of the Department for Disarmament Affairs)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. SECURITY COUNCIL AND POLITICAL COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

The following text modifies paragraph 1.8 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6.

- 1.8 <u>Replace</u> subparagraph 1.8 (i) with the following text, the bracketed portions of which indicate deletions:
 - (i) Provision of substantive services to the Security Council and to its various committees and commissions; the Military Staff Committee; the First Committee of the General Assembly; the Special Political Committee of the General Assembly; the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations and its Working Group; the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East; the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine; [the Group of Governmental Experts on International Co-operation to Avert New Flows of Refugees and] and the Ad Hoc Committee for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to Palestine Refugees. [and the Ad Hoc Committee on the Implementation of the Collective Security Provisions of the Charter of the United Nations, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 38/191 of 20 December 1983]

SUBPROGRAMME 2. SERVICE FOR POLITICAL AND SECURITY AFFAIRS

The following text for the subprogramme $\underline{\text{modifies}}$ the paragraphs of A/37/6, as revised by A/39/6 and A/39/38, as indicated below.

Replace paragraphs 1.11 to 1.14 with the following text, the underlined portions of which indicate revisions or additions and the bracketed portions of which indicate deletions:

(a) Legislative authority

1.11 The legislative authority for this subprogramme is the following articles of the Charter of the United Nations: 1 (para. 1), 22, [29,] 34, 36 (para. 1) and 37; and the following resolutions of the General Assembly: 12 (I); [2467 (XXIII); 2750 (XXV); 2832 (XXVI);] 2992 (XXVII); [3029 (XXVII); 3067 (XXVIII); 3259 A (XXIX); 3334 (XXIX); 3483 (XXX); 31/63; 32/194; 33/17; 34/80; 35/159;] 36/67; 36/102; [37/118; 38/56;] 38/77; [38/87; 38/189 and 38/191.] 39/11; 39/14; 39/149; 39/152; 39/153; 40/6; 40/153; 40/156; 40/157; 40/158; 41/9; 41/10; 41/11; 41/12; 41/87; 41/88; 41/89; 41/90; 41/90; 42/13; 42/46; 42/90; 42/91; 42/92 and 42/93.

(b) Objectives

- 1.12 The objectives of this subprogramme are:
 - (i) <u>Intergovernmental objective</u>: to promote international peace and security in the world through: (a) strengthening international security;
 (b) promoting [regional peace,] security and co-operation in [the ocean areas] <u>regions or zones of peace</u>; and (c) promoting [the concept of] peace [and the International Year of Peace] on a global basis;
 - (ii) General objective of the Secretariat: to assist States in their efforts to strengthen international peace and security in all regions of the world [, including the sea and ocean areas]; to support the efforts of the Secretary-General and the Under-Secretary-General to that end through the provision of pertinent information, advice and analysis of political and security issues; to assist in the promotion of peace on a global basis; to follow on a continuing basis developments in areas where there may be a threat to the maintenance of international peace and security; and to recommend appropriate measures [action] to be taken by the [Organization] Secretary-General;
 - (iii) <u>Time-limited subsidiary objectives of the Secretariat</u>: to communicate with Member States; to receive and analyse their views on international security, on security and co-operation in [the sea and ocean areas] regions or zones of peace and on the promotion of peace [and the International Year of Peace]; to prepare reports and studies on those issues for intergovernmental organs; to strengthen working relationships with specialized agencies and international organizations working in those fields; and to undertake various research and analytical studies on those issues [; and to co-ordinate the preparations for and observance of the International Year of Peace].

(c) Problems addressed

1.13 The primary problem addressed by this subprogramme relates directly to the maintenance of international peace and security. In a volatile and complex world where bilateral and regional conflicts continue to flare up, international and regional developments must be closely followed and analysed and ways and means must be found to anticipate conflicts, reduce tension, promote collective and bilateral negotiations and contribute to the peaceful settlement of disputes. This subprogramme attempts to reach those objectives by addressing three issues:

(a) the implementation of intergovernmental decisions and actions in the area of international security; (b) the implementation of intergovernmental decisions and actions [at the regional level in the sea and ocean areas] related to regions or zones of peace; and (c) the implementation of intergovernmental decisions in peace research and for the [International Year of Peace] promotion of peace.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

1.14 During the plan period, the Secretariat will perform a variety of tasks and activities, including in particular the following:

- (i) International security: to assist Member States in the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security and other resolutions, decisions and recommendations dealing with international peace and security; to prepare reports of the Secretary-General on items relating to international peace and security pursuant to resolutions of the General Assembly; to collect and analyse views submitted by Member States on problems in the area of world peace and security and on a comprehensive system of international peace and security; to follow matters relating to [international peace and security] these issues and . to inform the Under-Secretary-General of significant developments on [such issues] them; [to render assistance in the establishment of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Implementation of the collective security provisions of the Charter of the United Nations;] to provide substantive assistance in preparing the progress report on the implementation of the collective security provisions of the Charter and proposals relating to the comprehensive system of international security and in exploring ways and means [by] of organizing the exchange of views among the States in implementing the suggestions contained therein; and to contribute to the strengthening of co-operation between the United Nations and regional organizations in the promotion of international peace and security;
- (ii) Promotion of peace: to co-ordinate studies and projects in the promotion of peace; to assist and advise non-governmental organizations and academic institutions undertaking projects in the promotion of peace;
- (iii) Regional security, co-operation, and zones of peace: to promote peace, security and co-operation in the Mediterranean region, the South Atlantic and Antarctica by collecting and analysing the views of Member States on these issues, and by rendering advice and assistance as requested by Member States; to prepare reports of the Secretary-General for the General Assembly on the Mediterranean region, the South Atlantic and Antarctica; to provide substantive services to the First Committee, the Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean and the Conference on the Indian Ocean with a view to implementing the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE

The following text <u>modifies</u> paragraphs 1.15 to 1.17 of A/37/6, as revised by A/39/6 and A/39/38.

(a) Legislative authority

1.15 Add 38/80 of 15 December 1983 (paras. 5, 7 to 9, 15 to 17, 22 and 26), 39/96 of 14 December 1984 (paras. 4, 6 to 8, 15, 19 and 21), 40/162 of 16 December 1985 (paras. 4, 6 to 8, 15, 17, 21 and 23), 41/64 of 3 December 1986 (paras. 4, 6 to 8, 10, 17, 18, 22 and 24), 41/66 of 3 December 1986 (para. 5) and 42/68 of 2 December 1987 (paras. 4, 6 to 10, 12 to 13, 20, 23 and 25).

(b) Objective

- 1.16 After subparagraph 1.16 (i) b., add:
 - To consider ways and means of maintaining outer space for peaceful purposes;

<u>d</u>. To implement the recommendations of the Second United Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (UNISPACE-82), including the expansion and orientation of the United Nations Space Applications Programme;

Renumber current subparagraphs 1.16 (i) \underline{c} to \underline{e} as subparagraphs 1.16 (i) \underline{e} to \underline{g} .

Delete the following from the new subparagraph 1.16 (i) e:

", including its legal implications with the aim of formulating draft principles;"

(c) Problems addressed

- 1.17 Replace subparagraphs 1.17 (ii) and (iii) with the following:
 - (ii) According to the Principles relating to remote sensing of the Earth from outer space, which were adopted by the General Assembly in 1986 (resolution 41/65), States are to carry out remote sensing activities for the benefit and in the interest of all countries, taking into particular consideration the needs of the developing countries. For this purpose, further international arrangements may be needed relating to acquisition, distribution, processing and interpretation facilities and training of operators and users in order to ensure that all countries can benefit from remote sensing activities;
 - (iii) The use of satellites for distributing television signals, both internationally and domestically, offers potential benefits for education, international exchange of information and other social and economic development programmes, but such programmes also raise potential political, social, economic and legal problems.

SUBPROGRAMME 4. FULLER IMPLEMENTATION OF UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING APARTHEID

The following text <u>modifies</u> paragraphs 1.19, 1.20 and 1.23 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6 and A/39/38.

- (a) Legislative authority
- 1.19 Add 39/42, 40/64, 41/35 and 42/23.
- (b) Objectives
- 1.20 Add to the end of subparagraph 1.20 (i) "until apartheid is eliminated".
- (d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991
- 1.23 For the words "During the period 1984-1989," read "During the period 1984-1991,"

Insert new subparagraph 1.23 (i) as follows:

- (i) Provision of substantive services to:
 - The Special Committee against Apartheid and its subsidiary intergovernmental bodies, namely:
 - The Working Group of the Special Committee;
 - The Sub-Committee on Implementation of United Nations Resolutions and Collaboration with South Africa;
 - The Sub-Committee on Petitions and Information;
 - The Task Force on Women and Children under Apartheid;
 - The Task Force on Political Prisoners;
 - The Task Force on Legal Aspects of Apartheid;
 - b. Other intergovernmental bodies such as:
 - The Intergovernmental Group to Monitor the Supply and Shipping of Oil and Petroleum Products to South Africa;
 - The meetings of the States Parties to the International Convention against Apartheid in Sports and the Commission against Apartheid in Sports;
 - The Committee of Trustees of the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa and the Advisory Committee of the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africans, and the promoting of contributions to these Trust Funds;"

Amend subparagraph 1.23 (v) as follows:

Co-operation with the Department of Public Information (DPI) in publicity against apartheid through various media and with specialized agencies to secure co-ordination of action by all institutions in the dissemination of United Nations material in various languages;

Delete subparagraphs 1.23 (vi), 1.23 (xii) and 1.23 (xiii).

Renumber remaining subparagraphs under paragraph 1.23 accordingly.

PROGRAMME 2. ACTIVITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT FOR DISARMAMENT AFFAIRS

SUBPROGRAMME 1. DELIBERATION AND NEGOTIATION

The following text modifies paragraphs 1.30, 1.31 (ii), 1.32, 1.33, 1.34 and 1.36 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6. The underlined portions of complete paragraphs indicate revisions or additions.

(a) Legislative authority

1.30 <u>Add</u> 39/49, 39/63 J and 39/150 of 12 December 1984, 40/151 B, 40/153 and 40/154 of 16 December 1985, 41/58 A, 41/59 N, 41/61 and 41/87 of 3 December 1986, and 42/37 B, 42/38, 42/41 and 42/43 of 30 November 1987.

(b) Objectives

Replace subparagraph 1.31 (ii) with the following text:

(ii) <u>General objectives of the Secretariat</u>: to assist Governments and intergovernmental bodies <u>during the preparatory</u>, <u>deliberative</u>, <u>and negotiating phases in the follow-up and implementation of disarmament agreements</u>.

(c) Problem addressed

- 1.32 Replace the first sentence in the paragraph with the following:
 - 1.32 As stated in the introduction to the Final Document of the first special session of the General Assembly <u>devoted to disarmament and as reaffirmed by the General Assembly at its second special session devoted to disarmament</u>, the attainment of the objective of security has always been one of the most profound aspirations of humanity.
- 1.33 Delete the last two sentences of paragraph 1.33.
- (d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991
- 1.34 Replace the last sentence of paragraph 1.34 (i) with the following:

Preparatory work is usually done in consultation with the chairmen and other officers of the intergovernmental organs concerned as well as through ad hoc working groups and preparatory committees of the various disarmament bodies, including conferences;

Replace paragraph 1.34 (ii) with the following:

(ii) <u>Deliberative phase</u>: the Secretariat provides substantive, legal and technical services to disarmament bodies, in order to ensure the orderly and effective conduct of business and in that connection prepares, <u>inter alia</u>, draft agenda, annotated agenda, programme of work and relevant documentation and assists in matters relating to procedure and interpretation of rules as well as in facilitating the process of consultations, as required, especially in the context of consideration and adoption of draft resolutions, reports and final documents.

Replace paragraph 1.34 (iii) with the following:

(iii) Follow-up and implementation: Secretariat activities during the implementation period will consist of following up on General Assembly decisions, including those that may emerge at the third special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament, to be held in 1988, for example, by collecting, as required, views of Governments in regard to

specific proposals made during Assembly sessions and on action taken by Governments on specific recommendations made by the Assembly in various resolutions. Such views are categorized by subject and analysed in accordance with guidelines laid down in the relevant resolutions. results are subsequently distributed to Governments. In regard to multilateral disarmament agreements, the Secretariat monitors and promotes the signature and ratification of these agreements and provides appropriate services for relevant review conferences. In this latter connection, the Secretariat has assumed additional tasks in the implementation of a system of data exchange among parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bactericlogical (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction. Furthermore, should the United Nations be given responsabilities by the Assembly or by parties to multilateral agreements in the area of verification, these functions will, of course, be part of the programme strategy for the plan period. In this conmention, it should be noted that during the period 1984-1987, there has been a growing convergence of views on ques ons relating to verification and compliance which may be expected to sult in an expanded role for the United Nations in this area, such as developing further the technical quidelines and procedures on the investigation of reports of possible use of chemical weapons, the annual submission of a register of information on nuclear explosions during the preceding year, and the implementation of the Action Programme as adopted in the Final Document of the International Conference on the Relationship between Disarmament and Development.

Replace paragraph 1.36 with the following:

1.36 The Second Review Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction was held in 1986; the International Conference on the Relationship between Disarmament and Development was convened in 1987; the third special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament will be convened in 1988; the Fourth Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons will be convened in 1990 and the Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Prohibition of the Emplacement of Nuclear Weapons and Other Weapons of Mass Destruction on the Sea-Bed and the Ocean Floor and the Subsoil Thereof will take place no later than 1990.

SUBPROGRAMME 4. TRAINING FOR DISARMAMENT

The following text modifies the title of subprogramme 4:

SUBPROGRAMME 4. THE UNITED NATIONS DISARMAMENT FELLOWSHIP, TRAINING AND ADVISORY SERVICES PROGRAMME

SUBPROGRAMME 5. WORLD DISARMAMENT CAMPAIGN

The following text modifies paragraphs 1.53 to 1.60 of A/39/6.

(a) Legislative authority

1.53 Add 39/63 A and J, 39/148 J, 40/60 A, B, D and J, 40/86 D, 40/151 B, D and G, 40/152 E, 41/60 A, B, D and J, 41/86 D, 42/39 D, 42/39 G, 42/39 J and 42/42 H.

(b) Objectives

Add the following to the end of subparagraph 1.54 (i):

1.54 (i) The United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Development in Africa, the United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America, established in 1986 and 1987, respectively, and the United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia, to be established in 1988, will assist Member States in the implementation of regional activities under the World Disarmament Campaign. The mandate of the centres is to provide, upon request, substantive support for initiatives and other efforts of Member States of the region towards the realization of measures of peace, arms limitation and disarmament in the region.

(c) Problems addressed

1.55 Modify the penultimate sentence in paragraph 1.55 to read as follows:

In order to be effective, information must be disseminated as widely as possible in all countries and all regions of the world by enhancing regional disarmament activities, in the framework of the World Disarmament Campaign.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Insert a new paragraph after paragraph 1.56 as follows:

1.57 In consultation with Member States of the region concerned, and subject to the availability of extrabudgetary resources contributed to the regional centres, activities will be developed that focus on regional aspects of disarmament, building confidence and enhancing security.

Renumber remaining paragraphs 1.58 to 1.61 accordingly.

Add the following programme:

PROGRAMME 3. RESEARCH AND THE COLLECTION OF INFORMATION*

A. <u>Subprogramme</u>

SUBPROGRAMME: POLICY-ORIENTED RESEARCH AND THE COLLECTION OF POLITICAL INFORMATION*

1.62 (a) <u>Legislative authority</u>: The legislative authority for this subprogramme is Articles 98 and 99 of the Charter of the United Nations and General Assembly resolutions 41/70 and 41/213.

^{*} New programme and subprogramme.

(b) Objectives

1.63 The objectives of this subprogramme are:

- (i) <u>Intergovernmental objectives</u>: to ensure that the pertinent United Nations organs are provided with available information that can assist them in considering the most appropriate manner of responding to impending or actual emergency situations that have, or are likely to have, repercussions on the maintenance of international peace and security;
- (ii) Secretariat objectives: to ensure that the Secretary-General is kept fully informed of international situations and trends in order to facilitate the discharge of his responsibilities under Articles 98 and 99 of the Charter of the United Nations or those entrusted to him by the General Assembly or the Security Council; to ensure that the Secretary-General is in possession of information and promptly alerted about emerging and current international issues that are related to the efficient discharge of his functions under Article 99 of the Charter of the United Nations.

(c) Problem addressed

1.64 Member States have been stressing that the United Nations, through its relevant organs, must deal in a timely and urgent manner with potential or actual threats to the peace or with acute humanitarian situations. This requires a reliable, well-organized and timely system for collecting, disseminating and analysing information for early warning of potential conflict areas where the United Nations could be of assistance in resolving disputes by peaceful means.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

- 1.65 The objectives of the programme will be pursued by:
 - (i) Consolidating in the Office for Research and the Collection of Information (ORCI) functions relating to political information; enhancing consultative and information-sharing arrangements with other political departments and offices; promoting co-ordination of the long-range research, analysis and information functions of the Secretariat regarding political affairs and emergency situations;
 - (ii) Developing a central information system related to peace, security and emergency situations for timely use of the Secretary-General and the various departments of the United Nations Secretariat; improving methods of distributing this information; briefings of United Nations information centres; integrating related internal and external data sources to the system, as appropriate;
 - (iii) Monitoring developments in research on questions of peace and security in the academic community;

- (iv) Enhancing the systematic research and advisory network, initiated during 1988-1989, within the United Nations system, as well as with Governments, research institutions and non-governmental organizations, in order to strengthen the basis for advising the Secretary-General in the discharge of his responsibilities under the Charter of the United Nations;
 - (v) Establishing thematic interdepartmental task-forces on issues of special interest to the Secretary-General and the international community;
- (vi) Reviewing alternative and enhanced methods of obtaining information on actual or potential emergencies and assisting the Secretary-General to undertake such preventive and conflict resolution activities as he considers appropriate in the circumstances; developing better methods of alerting other United Nations organs to political and other emergencies.

CHAPTER 2. SPECIAL POLITICAL AFFAIRS, SPECIAL POLITICAL QUESTIONS AND SPECIAL MANDATES

The following modifies paragraphs 2.5 and 2.33 to 2.36 of A/41/6, as revised in A/41/38.

I. GENERAL ORIENTATION OF THE MAJOR PROGRAMME

Replace paragraph 2.5 with the following text, the underlined portions of which indicate revisions or additions and the bracketed portions of which indicate deletions:

2.5 As the mandate of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People continues to be renewed, the supporting activities will continue to be geared to contributing to the achievement of a solution to the question of Palestine by recommending a programme designed to enable the Palestinian people to exercise [their] its inalienable rights. Furthermore, efforts will continue to be made to promote the implementation of these recommendations, as well as the Programme of Action adopted by the International Conference on the Question of Palestine held in 1983 and endorsed by the General Assembly in its resolution 38/58 A, B and C, through the dissemination of information on the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people and through the organization of seminars, [and] symposia and international meetings of non-governmental organizations.

II. PROGRAMMES

PROGRAMME 3. SPECIAL MANDATES

A. <u>Subprogrammes</u>

SUBPROGRAMME 1. QUESTION OF PALESTINE: EXERCISE BY THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE OF ITS INALIENABLE RIGHTS*

- (a) Legislative authority
- 2.33 Add 41/43 A and B and 42/66 A and B.
- (b) Objectives

Replace subparagraph 2.34 (i) with the following text, the underlined portion of which indicates an addition:

- 2.34 The main objectives of this subprogramme are:
 - (i) <u>Intergovernmental objectives</u>: to contribute to the achievement of a just solution of the question of Palestine by recommending a programme of

^{*} New subprogramme title.

implementation designed to enable the Palestinian people to exercise its inalienable rights, and by making efforts to promote the implementation of these recommendations as well as of the Programme of Action adopted by the International Conference on the Question of Palestine held in 1983 and endorsed by the General Assembly in its resolutions 38/58 A, B and C.

(c) Problem addressed

Replace paragraph 2.35 with the following text, the underlined portions of which indicate revisions or additions and the bracketed portions of which indicate deletions:

2.35 The subprogramme responds to the problem caused by the continuing lack of progress towards a just solution [of] to the question of Palestine, which the General Assembly considers the root cause of the Arab-Israeli conflict in the Middle East and a danger to international peace and security. Since 1974, the realization of the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people in accordance with relevant United Nations resolutions has been considered [indispensable] as a condition sine qua non to the solution of the question.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Replace the beginning of paragraph 2.36 and subparagraphs 2.36 (i) and (ii) with the following text, the underlined portions of which indicate revisions or additions and the bracketed portions of which indicate deletions:

- 2.36 Pending full realization by the Palestinian people of its inalienable rights and consequent to the renewal of the mandate of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, the projected [Assuming that the situation in the area remains unchanged and the mandate of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People continues to be renewed, the expected] activities of the Division for Palestinian Rights will be as follows:
 - (i) Monitoring [of] political and other relevant developments affecting the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people and [to prepare] preparation of documentation, reports and bulletins on such developments;
 - (ii) Assistance to the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People in its efforts to promote the implementation of its recommendations [and of], the Programme of Action adopted by the <u>International Conference on the Question of Palestine</u> in 1983, the provisions of General Assembly resolution 38/58 C and other activities mandated by the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, including through representation at conferences and meetings and the sending of delegations;

CHAPTER 3. INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE AND LAW

- PROGRAMME 1. UPHOLDING, STRENGTHENING AND UNIFYING THE RULE OF LAW IN THE AFFAIRS OF THE UNITED NATIONS
- SUBPROGRAMME 1. LEGAL ADVICE TO AND REPRESENTATION OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AND CO-ORDINATION OF THE LEGAL ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARIAT AS A WHOLE

The following text modifies paragraph 3.11 of A/37/6.

(b) Objectives

3.11 <u>Insert</u> in the first sentence, after the phrase "important legal questions" the phrase ", including those relating to the Law of the Sea and Antarctica".

PROGRAMME 3. PROGRESSIVE DEVELOPMENT AND CODIFICATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

SUBPROGRAMME 1. DIRECTION AND CO-ORDINATION OF THE CODIFICATION PROCESS

The following text modifies paragraph 3.49 of A/37/6:

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

3.49 <u>Delete</u> the second sentence: "Certain items, such as the consideration of the draft articles on most-favoured-nation clauses and the draft code of offences against the peace and security of mankind, will be placed on the provisional agendas of General Assembly sessions prior to 1984";

<u>Delete</u> the phrase in the last sentence "(to be included in the agenda of the thirty-eighth session of the General Assembly)" and the phrase ", which may become a recurrent item";

Delete in the antepenultimate line the word "probably".

SUBPROGRAMME 2. STUDY OF LEGAL QUESTIONS AND ELABORATION OF CODIFICATION INSTRUMENTS

The following text modifies paragraphs 3.54 and 3.55 of A/37/6.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

3.54 <u>Replace</u> the phrase in the first sentence of paragraph 3.54 "State responsibility for internationally wrongful acts" with the phrase "the law of the non-navigational uses of international watercourses";

Replace the phrase in the second sentence of paragraph 3.54 "the law of the non-navigational uses of international watercourses" with the phrase "State responsibility for internationally wrongful acts".

3.55 <u>Replace</u> the phrase in the penultimate sentence of paragraph 3.55 "treaties concluded between States and international organizations or between international organizations" with the phrase "the status of the diplomatic courier and the diplomatic bag not accompanied by diplomatic courier";

Delete the last sentence of paragraph 3.55: "Also, although the United Nations Conference on Succession of States with respect to State Property, Archives and Debts is to be convened in 1983, the possibility should be kept in mind that a second session may be convened during the medium-term plan period".

SUBPROGRAMME 3. LEGAL RESEARCH

The following text modifies paragraph 3.60 of A/37/6:

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

3.60 Add a new sentence at the end of paragraph: The Codification Division will also bring up to date the 1971 Survey of International Law.

SUBPROGRAMME 4. MAKING INTERNATIONAL LAW AND UNITED NATIONS LEGAL ACTIVITIES MORE ACCESSIBLE

The following text modifies paragraph 3.66 of A/37/6:

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

3.66 Replace the word "four" in the first sentence with the word "six".

PROGRAMME 5. PROGRESSIVE HARMONIZATION AND UNIFICATION OF THE LAW OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE

SUBPROGRAMME 4. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER

The following text revises paragraph 3.108 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6.

(a) Legislative authority

3.108 Add A/41/17 of 11 August 1986, paragraph 243.

The following text <u>revises</u> paragraphs 3.109 (i) and (ii) of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6 and further revised in A/41/6.

(b) Objectives

3.109 Add at the end of subparagraph 3.109 (i) the following:

Additional specific and time-limited subsidiary intergovernmental objectives entail consideration of legal issues arising in the international procurement of goods and services and in countertrade with the possibility of preparing a legal guide or model rules;

Add at end of subparagraph 3.109 (ii) the following phrase: "; international procurement of goods and services and countertrade";

Add at the end of subparagraph 3.109 (iii) the following sentences:

In addition, preparatory work on legal issues arising in international procurement of goods and services and countertrade will be completed before the end of 1989. Substantive work will continue to the end of 1991 during the intergovernmental consideration of the subjects.

The following text revises paragraph 3.110 of A/37/6:

(c) <u>Problems addressed</u>

3.110 Insert (i) after the paragraph number 3.110 and add a new subparagraph (ii) to read: "Problems have arisen in developing countries as a result of inadequate and inconsistent legal rules governing the international procurement of goods and services as well as through a lack of knowledge as to the legal issues that may arise in the negotiation and implementation of countertrade contracts";

The following text revises paragraph 3.111 of A/37/6.

- (d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991 (for UNCITRAL and the Secretariat acting together)
- 3.111 <u>Delete</u> the second sentence: "A preliminary study will be undertaken on specific features of industrial co-operation contracts". <u>Add</u> a new sentence to read: "The legal problems arising in international procurement and countertrade will be studied, a decision will be made as to the best method for the Commission to aid in reducing those problems and work will be undertaken consistent with that decision".

CHAPTER 6. HUMAN RIGHTS

II. PROGRAMME. CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

SUBPROGRAMME 1. IMPLEMENTATION OF INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS, INSTRUMENTS AND PROCEDURES

The following text modifies the paragraphs of A/37/6 cited below:

(a) Legislative authority

6.19 In line 3, after "3068 (XXVIII)" <u>insert</u> ", 39/46", and in line 4 <u>replace</u> "1596 (L)" with "1985/17".

(b) Objective

6.20 In line 3, after "Social and Cultural Rights," <u>insert</u> roman (ii) before "the International Covenant" and <u>renumber</u> present (ii) and (iii) accordingly. In line 7, after "Crime of <u>Apartheid</u>," <u>insert</u> "(v) The Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment," and <u>renumber</u> the following roman numerals accordingly.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

6.22 In line 5, after "Racial Discrimination", <u>insert</u> a comma and <u>delete</u> the word "or". In line 6, after "the Human Rights Committee," <u>insert</u> "the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and the Committee against Torture".

SUBPROGRAMME 2. ELIMINATION AND PREVENTION OF DISCRIMINATION AND PROTECTION OF MINORITIES AND VULNERABLE GROUPS

The following text modifies the paragraphs of A/37/5 cited below:

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

6.27 In line 11, after "Protection of Minorities" <u>insert</u> a comma, <u>delete</u> the word "and", then, after the word "Slavery", <u>add</u> "and to its Working Group on Indigenous Populations".

SUBPROGRAMME 3. ADVISORY SERVICES, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN RIGHTS, AND PUBLICATIONS

Modify the title of the above subprogramme to read "PUBLICATIONS, ADVISORY SERVICES AND TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN RIGHTS".

The following text modifies the paragraphs of A/37/6 cited below:

(a) Legislative authority

6.28 <u>Delete</u> in line 4, after "paragraphs 2 and 6;" the word "and," then after "32/127, paragraph 2" <u>add</u> ", 41/121, 41/129 and 42/118"; in line 8 after "7 (XXXII)" <u>add</u> ", 1987/37 and 1987/28".

(b) Objectives

6.29 In line 5, after "request such assistance;" add "to provide training courses to officials responsible for preparing national reports under the United Nations conventions on human rights, in particular for countries of those regions experiencing the most serious difficulties in meeting their reporting obligations; to provide necessary assistance to Member States in the establishment or strengthening of national institutions for the protection and promotion of human rights;".

(c) Problem addressed

6.30 <u>Insert</u> at the beginning of the current paragraph: "A growing number of States parties to the United nations conventions on human rights find serious difficulties in fulfilling their reporting obligations and, in many cases, it seems that the failure of States to submit the required reports is due to a lack of trained personnel with the needed competence. It also appears that ...".

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

- 6.33 Add to the end of the current paragraph: "More national, regional or subregional training courses will be organized to train government officials, particularly those engaged in preparing national reports under the United Nations conventions on human rights".
- 6.35 Modify the paragraph to read: "Substantive inputs into the public information activities of the Department of Public Information in the field of human rights will continue to be provided. A world public information campaign on human rights is expected to be launched for the purpose of disseminating information, especially on the basic international instruments, and creating public awareness of the activities in the field of human rights, as requested by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1980/30. To this end, efforts will be made to strengthen relations with the media, non-governmental organizations, and academic institutions so as to inform them of the goals and activities of the United Nations in the field of human rights and also to draw upon their support and assistance for the universal realization of human rights".

SUBPROGRAMME 4. STANDARD SETTING, RESEARCH AND STUDIES

The following text modifies the paragraphs of A/37/6 cited below:

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

6.40 Modify the first two sentences of the paragraph to read: "Work currently under way on the drafting of international conventions on the human rights of migrant workers and on the rights of the child, as well as for the drafting of international declarations on the rights of minorities and on the rights and

responsibilities of persons and groups in promoting human rights, should have been finalized. Emphasis should be laid on new studies and research aimed at: identifying human rights problems calling for action; examining phenomena associated with violations of human rights, such as torture, abusive detentions, involuntary disappearances and human rights during states of emergency; the further elaboration of concepts contained in existing standards; combating discrimination in all its forms and manifestations; incorporating human rights as part of an integrated approach to development; examining the relationships between human rights and the establishment of a new international economic order, alongside new human and social orders and the relationship between human rights and peace; and assisting in the application and development of international norms and implementation procedures".

CHAPTER 7. INTERNATIONAL DRUG CONTROL

Most of the following changes reflect the fact that the current four subprogrammes of the Division of Narcotic Drugs have been condensed into three subprogrammes. All elements of the current subprogramme 3 (Supply and demand reduction) have been reassigned to two other subprogrammes: supply reduction to subprogramme 1 and demand reduction to subprogramme 4.

PROGRAMME 1. DIVISION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS

SUBPROGRAMME 1. TREATY IMPLEMENTATION AND COMMISSION SECRETARIAT

The following text modifies the subprogramme title and paragraphs 7.14 through 7.18.

Modify the subprogramme title to read: "TREATY IMPLEMENTATION, SUPPLY REDUCTION AND COMMISSION SECRETARIAT"

(a) Legislative authority

Replace paragraph 7.14 with the following text:

7.14 The legislative authority for this subprogramme is General Assembly resolutions 54 (I), 32/124, 32/126, 33/168, 34/177, 35/195, 36/168, 37/198, 38/93, 38/98, 39/141, 40/120, 40/121, 41/126, 41/127, 42/111 and 42/113; Economic and Social Council resolutions 9 (I), 49 B (IV), 123 A (VI), 1985/11 and 1987/27; the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, as amended by the 1972 Protocol; the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances; Commission on Narcotic Drugs resolutions 1 (XXIX), 1 (XXX), 4 (XXX), 5 (XXX), 6 (XXX), 2 (S-VIII), 3 (S-VIII), 1 (XXXI), 1 (S-IX), 3 (XXXII) and 6 (XXXII).

(b) Objectives

7.15 Replace the last three lines of paragraph 7.15 (ii) after the words "commission of the council;" with "substantive servicing of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council in matters relating to international drug control; extending assistance to Governments when requested, in their efforts to reduce illicit supply or manufacture of narcotic drugs and phsycotropic substances, and in developing, promoting and co-ordinating countermeasures against the illicit traffic in drugs, nationally and internationally".

(c) Problem addressed

7.16 Insert "(a)" at the beginning of current paragraph 7.16.

Add the following text as new paragraph 7.16 (b):

The majority of Member States encounter problems of illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and the rapidly changing and complex patterns of illicit supply and manufacture of drugs and the illicit traffic therein continue to create difficulties in international control and monitoring. There is also a need to reduce illicit cultivation of narcotic drugs and to prevent the

illici a vufacture and/or diversion of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances for non-medical use.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Replace paragraph 7.17 with the following text:

- 7.17 To advance international co-operation in the area of treaty implementation and supply reduction, the following ongoing functions are carried out on a regular basis each year:
- (a) Publication of a summary of annual government reports; lists of national authorities issuing import and export certificates and authorizations; lists of drug manufacturers; lists of national drug control laws and their cumulative index; reports to the Commission on the implementation of strategies and policies pursuant to General Assembly resolutions 32/124 and 34/177. Secretariat services will be provided for sessions of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and for its Task Force, as necessary, as well as substantive servicing of the Economic and Social Council for INCB electoral machinery and of the General Assembly;
- (b) Continuing to monitor the illicit supply of, and traffic in, drugs and to review the situation world wide, as required by the drug control treaties; assisting Member States to strengthen effective practical co-operation between national drug control and law enforcement services, including not only police and customs but also those concerned with control of the movement of licit drugs; promoting or maintaining effective co-ordinated international drug law enforcement action, particularly through improving exchange of general and operational information between Governments and facilitating the regional and interregional contacts which have so far proved most effective mechanisms; and continuing to organize regional or subregional training seminars mainly for law enforcement officers in order to promote greater effectiveness of government services in reducing islicit traffic in drugs.

Replace paragraph 7.18 with the following text:

- 7.18 In addition, the Division's activities will also comprise:
- (a) Non-recurring <u>ad hoc</u> responses to specific requests by the Commission, the Council or the General Assembly, or the requests of Governments. During the plan period, this subprogramme will involve overseeing possible amendments to the existing treaties and the preparation of a new draft convention against illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, as well as the servicing of a plenipotentiary conference to adopt the new convention;
- (b) The Division will assist Governments, on request, to design and implement programmes to reduce the illicit supply of, or traffic in drugs (in co-operation with the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control, the International Narcotics Control Board and other concerned international organizations). In addition, advice and assistance will be given to Governments in formulating national legislation on drug control and the application of the treaty system. The number of notifications to parties under the treaties will continue to grow with the number of new substances brought under international control. It is expected that the follow-up activities by the secretariat will also increase as a result of the growing workload to be accomplished by the Commission, in particular with respect

to the drafting of the new convention against illicit drug trafficking and the implementation of the recommendations of the International Conference on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. SUPPLY AND DEMAND REDUCTION

Delete the entire subprogramme as well as paragraphs 7.25 through 7.29. Renumber the subsequent paragraphs accordingly.

SUBPROGRAMME 4. PROGRAMME PLANNING, CO-ORDINATION AND INFORMATION

Modify the title of the subprogramme to read: "DEMAND REDUCTION, CO-ORDINATION OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS AND INFORMATION".

(a) Legislative authority

Replace paragraph 7.30 with the following text:

7.30 The legislative authority for this subprogramme is found in the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, and the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances, in particular articles 38 and 20 respectively, as well as in resolution III of the 1972 United Nations Conference to Consider Amendments to the 1961 Convention and in General Assembly resolutions 32/124, 32/126, 33/168, 34/177, 36/168, 37/198, 38/93, 38/98, 38/122, 39/141, 39/142, 39/143, 40/120, 40/121, 40/122, 41/126 and 42/113, as well as Commission on Narcotic Drugs resolutions 1 (XXIX), 4 (XXIX), 6 (XXX) and 3 (S-VIII), and various decisions relating to measures to assess and reduce drug abuse and its negative consequences.

(b) **Objectives**

Replace paragraph 7.31 with the following text:

7.31 The objectives of this subprogramme are to assist government authorities to assess the nature and extent of drug abuse and its associated problems; to prevent and reduce illicit demand for drugs by promoting prevention, treatment, rehabilitation and social reintegration programmes and to monitor developments in this field. Additional objectives of this subprogramme include: the strengthening of the co-ordination of drug abuse control activities, both within the United Nations system and with intergovernmental as well as non-governmental organizations; continuing to ensure the implementation of joint planning procedures with the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control (UNFDAC) and relevant specialized agencies regarding technical co-operation projects; the co-ordination of relevant progress reports; the promotion of public awareness of drug abuse problems and potential solutions through the provision of audiovisual and educational material as well as through specialized publications.

Problem addressed

Replace paragraph 7.32 with the following text:

7.32 Drug abuse problems may be expected to continue to increase worldwide affecting all age groups and social strata. Such problems have assumed increasing Therefore, Governments have difficulty in assessing the characteristics of drug abuse in their respective countries, in formulating

national policies for reduction of illicit demand for drugs, and in developing appropriate programmes aimed at reducing such demand. Drug abuse is associated with health impairments, such as acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) and hepatitis, with criminal activities, and with a variety of social, economic, juridical and political problems. Consequently, the multi-disciplinary system-wide approach essential for international drug control requires appropriate structural planning, overall co-ordination and sustained concerted action.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Replace paragraph 7.33 with the following text:

- 7.33 The illicit demand for drugs of abuse constitutes a key-element in the multidimensional drug abuse phenomenon. There has been increasing recognition of the fundamental relationship between the illicit demand for drugs and expanding drug trafficking. The central strategy remains to reduce drug abuse and its harmful consequences to a minimum. Throughout this period, and taking account in particular of the relevant measures recommended by the International Drug Abuse Control Strategy and policies adopted by the General Assembly in resolution 36/168 on 16 December 1981 and by the 1987 International Conference on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking in its Comprehensive Multidisciplinary Outline of Future Activities in Drug Abuse Control, this subprogramme will comprise the following:
- (a) Assisting Member States in developing systems for the assessment of prevalence, trends and other relevant aspects of drug abuse and its associated problems in order to facilitate the appropriate planning of prevention and control programmes;
- (b) Assisting Member States in developing effective programmes for the prevention and reduction of the illicit demand for drugs, focusing on concerted community-based programmes and on increased involvement of non-governmental organizations in programmes for the prevention of drug abuse, and for treatment, rehabilitation, social integration and aftercare of drug-addicted persons;
- (c) Continuous monitoring, co-ordination and periodic review of the long-term strategy designed to reduce drug abuse throughout the world adopted by the General Assembly in resolution 36/168;
- (d) Continuing to monitor demand for drugs and reviewing the situation world wide;
- (e) Assisting Governments, on request, to assess the characteristics of drug abuse, to formulate national policies, to develop preventive programmes and to design, implement and evaluate programmes to reduce the illicit demand for drugs;
- (f) Helping to identify pragmatic cost-effective approaches to reduce illicit demand and to foster the required international co-operation, as well as to harness the resources and experiences of the United Nations system in a co-ordinated concerted strategy towards the eventual elimination of drug abuse;
- (g) Providing advice on related matters and developments to government officials, intergovernmental organizations, non-governmental organizations, educational institutions and concerned individuals.

The need to strengthen the international drug control system will continue at every level and will be achieved through the intensification of co-ordinated activities, programmes and projects to assist national authorities, primarily through technical co-operation, multilateral negotiations and activities and functional training of operational and scientific personnel. Professional and technical advice will be provided to the Executive Director of UNFDAC regarding the formulation, implementation and co-ordination of technical co-operation projects. Co-ordination will also be provided by exercising primary responsibility for the servicing of the Ad Hoc Inter-agency Committee on Co-ordination in Matters of International Drug Abuse Control, which functions within the framework of ACC machinery. Educational and technical material will be provided to ensure dissemination of research findings and programme experiences. The publications programme will be strengthened with additional emphasis placed on demand reduction. In addition, the film/audiovisual lending library will be maintained and expanded as appropriate.

CHAPTER 9. PUBLIC INFORMATION

- 1. At its twenty-sixth session, the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination decided to consider, at its twenty-seventh session, proposals for a discrete programme structure of the Department of Public Information for incorporation in the medium-term plan for 1990-1995 and the ensuing programme budgets.
- 2. Subsequently, in its recommendation 37, the Group of High-level Intergovernmental Experts to Review the Efficiency of the Administrative and Financial Functioning of the United Nations recommended in its report that:
 - "(1) A thorough review of the functions and working methods as well as of the policies of the Department of Public Information should be conducted, with a view to bringing its role and policies up to date in order to improve the capacity and ability of the Department to provide information on United Nations activities as approved by the intergovernmental bodies. To this end, the working methods of the Department should be rationalized, in order that the funds allocated to that Department should, to a larger extent then hitherto, be used for programme activities.
 - "(2) The Group has noted that information activities are currently conducted by several departments and offices in the Secretariat. Such activities should, to the extent possible, be consolidated in the Department of Public Information.
 - "(3) A review of the functions and activities of the United Nations information centres should be undertaken by the Secretary-General and, to the extent that the quality of public information activities would not be hampered, the consolidation of such centres with other existing United Nations offices should be undertaken as mentioned in recommendation 12." 5/

This recommendation was endorsed by the General Assembly in its resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986.

- 3. In the light of reviews undertaken with respect to the programmes and organization of the Department, the Secretary-General suggested (E/AC.51/1987/10) that CPC might consider a new programme structure for the Department, at its twenty-eighth session in 1988, or at its resumed twenty-seventh session.
- 4. At its resumed twenty-seventh session, the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination considered a note (E/AC.51/1987/17) by the Secretariat on the programme structure of section 27 (Public information). The Committee decided to review the question of the programme structure of the Department of Public Information at its twenty-eighth session in the context of its consideration of the proposed programme budget and the proposed revisions to the medium-term plan.
- 5. The text which follows reflects the results of recent reviews and the guidance provided by CPC and the General Assembly in considering reports on the structure and functioning of the Department of Public Information. In its turn, it has guided the preparation of the revised estimates for the biennium 1988-1989 for section 27 and, subject to approval by the General Assembly, will provide the programmatic basis for the proposed programme budget for 1990-1991.
- 6. The following text replaces paragraphs 9.1 to 9.40 of document A/37/6.

P. GENERAL ORIENTATION OF THE MAJOR PROGRAMME

- 9.1 The activities of the Department of Public Information during the period covered by the medium-term plan will be guided by the Charter of the United Nations and relevant General Assembly resolutions. The basic legislative authority for the entire programme includes, in particular, General Assembly resolutions 13 (I), 595 (V), 1335 (XIII), 1405 (XIV), 2897 (XXVI), 3535 (XXX), 33/115, 34/182, 35/201, 36/149, 37/94, 38/82, 39/98, 40/164, 41/48 and 42/162.
- 9.2 The approach to information activities will be based on two complementary concepts promotion and coverage. One will ensure that the planning and development of strategies as well as the production of public information materials will highlight the major themes and priority areas mandated by the General Assembly, through multimedia promotional campaigns; while the other will ensure adequate media coverage and public interest in the ongoing activities of the Organization.
- 9.3 Special efforts will be directed at strengthening links with the media to enhance the stature and credibility of the United Nations as the major player in international multilateral relations.
- 9.4 Trends of opinion throughout the world about the activities of the United Nations and the extent to which an informed understanding of the work of the United Nations is being secured will be analysed.
- 9.5 Materials for public information activities will, as far as possible, be directed at clearly defined audiences and efforts will be made to sustain and enlarge these audiences, particularly those that have a multiplier effect, such as the media, non-governmental organizations and educational institutions.
- 9.6 The universality of the United Nations, with the corresponding diversity in cultural, linguistic, political and regional interests, calls for a dynamic information approach that is sufficiently flexible but consistent in meeting the varying information needs of the peoples around the world about the United Nations. Thus, the Department will strive to ensure a dynamic presence in as many countries as possible, and develop collaborative arrangements with Member States in the planning, production and financing of public information activities.
- 9.7 In this context, a global network of United Nations information centres and services, with an adequate regional and linguistic balance, will be maintained and co-ordinated in order to ensure the highest possible local presence for United Nations activities, purposes and programmes in political, economic, social and humanitarian fields, particularly in those regions where mass information media are less developed.
- 9.8 In view of the complementarity of the activities in the field of information and communication, and in order to avoid duplication of activities, co-operation and co-ordination between various bodies of the United Nations system will be strengthened and joint projects and programmes will be encouraged to the greatest extent possible.
- 9.9 As a means of enhancing access to wider audiences, the Department will, whenever appropriate, seek external support to complement its own resources. It will also strive, where appropriate and to the extent possible, to make activities self-financing.

- 9.10 There will be progressive computerization of operations and access to new technologies for the production and distribution of public information materials.
- 9.11 There will be progressive establishment of parameters for evaluating the Department's production and distribution activities so as to improve their overall impact. A programme of study will be instituted to determine the extent of the Department's access to audiences, media outlets, as well as public opinion trends about the United Nations.

II. PROGRAMME. PUBLIC INFORMATION

A. Subprogrammes

SUBPROGRAMME 1. PROMOTIONAL SERVICES

(a) Legislative authority

9.12 The legislative authority derives from General Assembly resolutions 13 (I), 595 (V), 1335 (XIII), 1405 (XIV), 1511 (XV), 2897 (XXVI), 3535 (XXX), 32/105 H, 33/115, 34/182, 35/201, 36/149, 37/94, 38/82, 39/98, 40/164, 41/48, and 42/162, and the Economic and Social Council resolutions 1012 (XXXVII) and 1806 (LV).

(b) Objectives

- 9.13 The objectives of this subprogramme are:
 - (i) <u>Intergovernmental objectives</u>: to promote to the greatest possible extent an informed understanding of the work and purposes of the United Nations among the peoples of the world;
 - (ii) <u>Secretariat objectives</u>: through a focused and coherent multi-media approach, to promote greater media coverage and public awareness of United Nations activities, particularly with respect to the following major themes based on General Assembly mandates:
 - a. Peace, security and disarmament (including peace-keeping and peace-making operations);
 - Self-determination (including issues of Palestine, the struggle against <u>apartheid</u>, Namibia, and decolonization);
 - c. Human rights (including issues of racial discrimination);
 - d. Development (including economic and social issues, international debt, Africa recovery, media development, women and youth);

and to increase the profile and visibility of the United Nations around the world; to improve media access and its usage of United Nations materials.

(c) Problems addressed

9.14 The limited impact of United Nations public information activities can be ascribed to a number of factors including: limited resources; the need to develop

well planned activities aimed at achieving clear and limited objectives; the need for more effective implementation strategies, involving the clarification of concepts, the selection of media and other vehicles for the implementation of planned activities; and the need for closer co-ordination within the Secretariat and the whole system, not only in the planning of public information activities, but also in the implementation of approved activities through a common strategy. There is need to provide counsel, support and strategic planning in relation to public information needs to other areas of the Secretariat, in order to maximize media and public awareness and utilization of United Nations materials. Information activities require constant adjustment to changing needs and circumstances.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

- 9.15 The strategy will involve promotional activities on priority issues, special events and observances for each of the priority themes of the United Nations, namely, peace and security, self-determination, human rights, and development:
- (a) To ensure regular contacts with other Secretariat departments and with other organizations of the United Nations system in the planning and implementation of public information activities;
- (b) To plan promotional public information activities and the strategies by which they are to be implemented, utilizing all media;
- (c) To prepare pamphlets, booklets, information kits, video cassettes, photographic and other materials as needed to promote a priority issue, a specific event or the United Nations in general;
- (d) To undertake an out-reach programme for editors and other senior media representatives, particularly those whose organizations have no accredited correspondents at the United Nations;
- (e) To increase co-production arrangements in all regions with outside supporters, including creative and media communities, in order to enhance the promotion of United Nations mandates and foster the utilization of materials produced;
- (f) To consolidate and co-ordinate information activities in the field with other members of the United Nations system, in order to improve efficiency in the delivery of public information;
- (g) To provide communications support to the activities of the Secretary-General and other senior staff and to increase awareness of the role of the United Nations in multilateral diplomacy;
- (h) To institute a system which ensures consistency of style and signatures on United Nations products;
- (i) To gather and analyse results of existing public opinion surveys which have a bearing on the United Nations and its activities;
- (j) To monitor local media, assess public opinion based on publicly available material and provide feedback to Headquarters, including the Office for Research and Collection of Information;

- (k) To collaborate with existing organizations around the world that engage in public opinion surveys, for purposes of including in their surveys questions of interest to the United Nations;
- (1) To review the impact of the Department's information programmes in order to improve programme effectiveness;
- (m) To conduct appropriate research to assess public attitudes concerning the United Nations and its activities.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. INFORMATION SERVICES

(a) Legislative authority

9.16 The legislative authority derives from General Assembly resolutions 13 (I), 595 (V), 1335 (XIII), 1405 (XIV), 2897 (XXVI), 3535 (XXX), 33/115, 34/182, 35/201, 36/149, 37/94, 38/82, 39/98, 40/164, 41/48 and 42/162.

(b) Objectives

- 9.17 The objectives of this subprogramme are:
 - (i) <u>Intergovernmental objective</u>: provision of all the services needed for the daily, weekly and periodical press, both at Headquarters and other United Nations offices, that may be required to ensure that the press is supplied with full information about the activities of the United Nations;
 - (ii) <u>Secretariat objective</u>: to produce and ensure timely coverage of United Nations activities, and distribution of information materials in formats and languages that maximize utilization by media and other redisseminators to as broad an audience as possible.

(c) Problems addressed

9.18 The Department's capacity to produce news for print media has been limited to summaries of debates. This has resulted in investing a relatively high proportion of funds to service a very limited audience, and led to little presence of United Nations news in the media. Rigidity in formatting electronic programmes has tended to keep a United Nations presence out of many markets where diversified formats would allow flexible utilization of United Nations materials. Planning of programmes has not ensured sufficient complementarity in the focus of productions in radio, television and publications. United Nations information materials have not been consistently available in appropriate languages and there is a need for equal treatment between English and French, especially in press releases.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

9.19 The strategy will involve:

(a) Preparing summaries of all major meetings and events in English and French for use by press correspondents, delegations and the United Nations Secretariat;

- (b) Preparing press releases on all newsworthy events, in English and French, for immediate distribution by media agencies;
 - (c) Introducing new formats of weekly news summaries;
- (d) Providing action oriented photographs of major meetings and events on a timely basis for use by media, publications and delegations;
- (e) Producing daily and weekly radio news spots distributed by telephone feed and satellite;
- (f) Providing television coverage of major United Nations events for use by outside broadcasters and for archival purposes;
- (g) P_{-} oducing a selection of electronic magazines (radio and television) on United Nations activities and priority issues for wide distribution;
- (h) Maintaining productions for archival purposes, which in turn provide raw materials for future public affairs magazines, and are needed by other users;
- (i) Preparing a broadly based portfolio of monthly, quarterly and annual publications aimed at specific audiences. The publications portfolio will include: basic documentation, institutional references and periodicals.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. PUBLIC SERVICES

(a) Legislative authority

9.20 The legislative authority derives from General Assembly resolutions 13 (I) and Economic and Social Council resolution 1806 (LV).

(b) Objectives

- 9.21 The objectives of this subprogramme are:
 - (i) Intergovernmental objectives: Active assistance and encouragement of national information services, educational institutions and other governmental and non-governmental organizations of all kinds interested in spreading information about the United Nations by means of a fully equipped reference service, supplying lecturers and briefing materials, and making available publications, documentary films, film strips, posters and other exhibits for use by agencies and organizations;
 - (ii) Secretariat objectives: Promotion through the encouragement and assistance of selected groups and institutions, particularly those with high opinica-building potential and an informed understanding of the purposes and activities of the United Nations. Increased and strengthened relations with media representatives, non-governmental organizations, educational institutions, business communities, Governments and delegations, and the public at large; encouragement of the training of young journalists and broadcasters; timely and effective distribution of information materials in format and languages which optimize their use; promotion of contacts between the Department and information redisseminators for purposes of placing United Nations

information materials in the media and other mass communication outlets; enlargement, through co-operation with non-governmental organizations, of mailing lists for the distribution of United Nations information materials.

(c) Problems addressed

9.22 Effective communication requires successful enlistment of the support and co-operation of opinion leaders for the various publics, such as government, non-governmental organizations, media and academic institutions. Through them, United Nations public information and messages can be integrated into locally produced materials;

There is a need to have mass communications supplemented by other strategies in which audiences, including redisseminators, have an opportunity for genuine dialogue among themselves and with selected personalities who are knowledgeable about the issues before the United Nations;

There is a need to increase the visibility of the United Nations as a place of attraction for visitors, particularly where major United Nations offices are located;

Distribution mechanisms in the Department need to ensure clear focus, accountability and timeliness in distribution;

Changing technology in the production of public information materials has been accompanied by corresponding changes in distribution methods to which the Department must adapt effectively.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

9.23 The strategy will involve:

- (a) Maintenance of an efficient and effective distribution system for all the Department's information material, using up-to-date methods of transmission, including satellite and electronic transmission of information. Co-ordination of physical and electronic distribution of departmental information products to information centres, the media and non-governmental organizations;
- (b) Developing criteria for accreditation, screening applicants and providing accreditation to representatives of the press and information agencies to ensure the fullest possible access to the activities and documents of the United Nations;
 - (c) Providing liaison services to visiting representatives of the media;
- (d) Providing ongoing services to accredited press correspondents at the United Nations;
- (e) Planning, organizing and co-ordinating, where relevant to public information, the interface with institutions, agencies and organizations that share the aims and purposes of the United Nations;
- (f) Organizing editors roundtables to familiarize media leaders with Ur. And Nations issues and procedures;

- (g) Providing accreditation, liaison and information services to non-governmental organizations;
 - (h) Formulating guidelines for relations with visitors to the United Nations;
- (i) Conducting public tours at United Nations Headquarters and the United Nations Offices at Vienna and Geneva;
- (j) Maintaining relations with the communities of New York, Geneva and Vienna and contiguous areas to increase awareness of the United Nations facilities and activities;
- (k) Setting up a speaker's bureau to provide qualified speakers on the United Nations for schools and universities, professional and business associations, radio and television organizations and other interested groups;
 - Responding to public inquiries of a general nature;
- (m) Arranging for exhibition of a variety of national products and cultural programmes making the United Nations a centre for cultural, commercial and other interests reflecting its diverse membership.

CHAPTER 10. DEVELOPMENT ISSUES AND POLICIES

PROGRAMME 1. GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT ISSUES AND POLICIES (DIESA)

SUBPROGRAMME 4. DEVELOPING COUNTRIES: PROBLEMS AND PROSPECTS

The following text modifies paragraphs 10.40, 10.43 and 10.45 of A/37/6.

- (a) Legislative authority
- 10.40 Add General Assembly resolutions 39/29, 40/40, S-13/2, 41/29 and 42/163.
- (c) Problem addressed
- 10.43 Add to the end of the paragraph the following text:

In particular, there is a need to identify ways and means for mobilizing financial resources for the development of Africa, in the context of assisting in the follow-up to the United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development 1986-1990 and for the Secretary-General's Advisory Group on Financial Flows to Africa established in 1987.

- (d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991
- 10.45 Add to the end of the paragraph 10.45 the following text:

Finally, work will be undertaken to identify measures to promote the contribution of indigenous entrepreneurs in both the private and public sectors to the economic development of developing countries. It is anticipated that one of the major areas in which such measures would be productive is that of money and capital markets.

PROGRAMME 5. DEVELOPMENT ISSUES AND POLICIES IN LATIN AMERICA
AND THE CARIBBEAN (ECLAC)

It is proposed to establish a new subprogramme within this programme.

SUBPROGRAMME 6. PLANNING AND CO-ORDINATION OF PUBLIC POLICIES*

- (a) Legislative authority
- 10.144A The legislative authority for this subprogramme is ECLAC resolutions 467 (XX), 474 (PLE.18), and 482 (XXI).
- (b) Objectives
- 10.144B The objectives of this subprogramme are:

^{*} New subprogramme.

- (i) <u>Intergovernmental objective</u>: to improve the capacity of Latin American countries in the formulation, execution and evaluation of economic and social development plans, and to strengthen co-ordination to bring about more equitable and permanent economic and social development;
- (ii) General objectives of the Secretariat: to assist Governments in formulating, executing, and evaluating plans of national, sectoral, territorial and local scope, in mobilizing and allocating public resources, in creating or reinforcing planning mechanisms and in establishing national strategies for regional development.

(c) Problem addressed

10.144C Although some progress has been achieved in development planning, policy formulation and implementation at the r tional and regional levels, fundamental concerns remain in the areas of global planning and co-ordination of economic policies, public sector programming, planning and social programmes and regional planning. For instance, progress has been made in laying down the bases for a regional consensus on the identification of causes of economic and social crises, but the need to deal with them by means of pragmatic and innovative approaches to government management must now be addressed. Governments are faced with a growing "unorganized sector" of the economy taking on new entrepreneurial forms involving co-operative property or other similar forms, generically linked to the development of the informal economy. There is a need to develop sufficiently powerful methodologies of regional planning to expand the efficiency of and linkages between the various government bodies, including national planning bodies, and entrepreneurial and other social agents.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

10.144D Advisory assistance will be provided, upon request by Governments, and training and research activities will be undertaken. The activities under this subprogramme will consist of collection, analysis and dissemination of information on the theory and practice of planning and policy co-ordination, and the establishment of mechanisms for discusion, information exchange and intergovernmental co-operation. It is expected to intensify these activities in the Central American countries, particularly in support of mechanisms for bringing together the planners of that subregion. Attention will be focused, among others, on the development and introduction of methods of co-ordination between economic policies and sectoral programmes, in respect of the macroeconomic balance of resources, the balance of payments, the public sector and financial equilibrium, and also on the compilation and dissemination of theoretical and methodological progress in planning made in national and international centres and bodies.

10.144E Guidelines and methodologies will be defined on new methods of financing and organizing the investment process, of management of coherent special social programmes, of improving the management of the decentralized sector and the links between government and national planning bodies and the private sector, and of promoting scientific and technological development. Technical assistance will be provided to Governments towards improvement of social services, particularly for the most needy sectors, and in designing institutional and legal reforms and mechanisms to foment the informal economy, so as to improve the living conditions of major sectors of the population in the unorganized sector of the economy.

10.144F Support will be given to Governments in interpreting the new links which will be forged between external insertion and national development on the one hand, and the territorial structure of countries on the other hand. Particular stress will be placed on co-operation between social actors in promoting regional development. Further research will be carried out into the forms and prospects of social organization in several Latin American countries and studies will continue into other central features of regional development, in particular the forms of political and administrative decentralization and the territorial impact of new technologies for the production of goods and services.

PROGRAMME 6. DEVELOPMENT ISSUES AND POLICIES IN WESTERN ASIA (ESCWA)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. PERSPECTIVE PLANNING

The following text modifies paragraphs 10.148 to 10.151 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6.

(a) Legislative authority

10.148 Add ESCWA resolution 157 (XIV).

(b) Objectives

- 10.149 (i) Intergovernmental objective: add the following "the co-ordination of economic development strategies, policies and programmes of ESCWA member countries as a means of intensifying economic co-operation and integration in the region."
 - (ii) <u>General objectives of the secretariat</u>: <u>add</u> the following "to assess long-term economic and social development prospects in the region and to identify appropriate developmental alternatives."

(c) Problem addressed

10.150 Add at the beginning of the paragraph the following: New economic conditions prevail in the region as a result of recent economic developments, such as a drastic drop in oil prices and revenues, increasing foreign debt problems, return migration, and others. Consequently, Governments would have to review national economic plans and policies and initiate structural adjustments designed to sustain and promote economic development in the context of these changes.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

10.151A The examination and analysis of development plans, programmes and policies of member countries will be undertaken with a view to proposing alternative policies and programmes in the light of their political and socio-economic conditions, and to promoting economic co-operation and integration at the regional level.

CHAPTER 11. ENERGY

PROGRAMME 2. RESOURCE ASSESSMENT, ENERGY PLANNING AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER (DTCD)

SUBPROGRAMME 2. ENERGY PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

The following text modifies paragraphs 11.47 and 11.50 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

11.47 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: and Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/10.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

11.50 <u>Insert</u> the following after the fourth sentence, which ends with "will increase": The use of micro-computer technology for energy data and policy analysis will be promoted.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSFER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR EXPLOITING CRITICAL ENERGY RESOURCES

The following text modifies paragraphs 11.51 and 11.54 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

11.51 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: and Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/10.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

11.54 <u>Insert</u> the following after the first sentence of the paragraph: Technologies and procedures for energy conservation and substitution will be introduced as a complement to programmes for the expansion of the energy supply base. The use of micro-computer technology will be promoted for data gathering, processing and analysis in energy exploration and exploitation.

PROGRAMME 6. ENERGY ISSUES IN WESTERN ASIA (ESCWA)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. ENERGY PLANNING

The following text modifies paragraphs 11.105 to 11.108 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

11.105 Add ESCWA resolution 142 (XIII)

(c) Problems addressed

11.107 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: Furthermore, changes in oil prices have significant impact on overall economic and social development in the region which therefore need to be assessed.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

11.108 Add the following after the third sentence: Special attention will be paid to the establishment of an energy data base and training on relevant techniques. The energy situation in the region will be surveyed and issues of major concern, particularly changes in the oil markets and their impact on energy policies, will be examined.

CHAPTER 12. ENVIRONMENT

II. CENTRAL PROGRAMMES

PROGRAMME 1. GLOBAL PROGRAMME (UNEP)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

The following text modifies the paragraphs of A/37/6 cited below, as revised in A/41/6:

- (a) Legislative authority
- 12.9 Add to the end of the paragraph: 14/18, 14/19, 14/24, 14/27, 14/30 and 14/32.
- (d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991
- 12.12 Add to the end of subparagraph 12.12 (d): "; strengthening the networks of special sector sources and regional service centres for the provision of substantive information in priority environmental fields; strengthening the network of national focal points through sub-networking and technical co-operation and promoting and assisting the establishment of national environmental information systems especially in developing countries".

Add to the end of subparagraph 12.12 (e): "; the register will be used increasingly for hazard assessment and risk evaluation of chemicals both nationally and internationally; it will assist Governments in establishing national information systems on chemicals compatible with IRPTC, thereby facilitating the exchange of information on chemicals in international trade; monitor the development, apply the London Guidelines and strengthen all the technical and legal means possible in order to exchange information on banned or severely restricted chemicals; support the implementation of a convention on the control of transboundary movements of hazardous wastes and, if authorized, support the development and adoption by States of an international instrument on information exchange on chemicals".

Insert a new subparagraph 12.12 (f) to read:

(f) Global Resources Information Database (GRID) of GEMS: developing a network of interconnected "nodes" serving as data "switchboards" for particular regions. There are currently two nodes: one at Nairobi and one at Geneva. The establishment of a third node at Bangkok is under discussion. Other United Nations agencies (FAO, World Bank) are in the process of establishing geographic information systems (GIS) compatible with GRID. GRID is expected to become a major contributor to developed environmental data for key environmental assessments, such as forest cover change, and degradation and sea-level rise.

Renumber current subparagraph 12.12 (f) as 12.12 (q).

SUBPROGRAMME 3. TERRESTRIAL AND COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS

The following text modifies the paragraphs of A/37/6 cited below:

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

In order to reflect the priorities set up by the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment, <u>replace</u> the text of subparagraph 12.20 (e) with the following text:

12.20 (e) <u>Water</u>: setting up of multidisciplinary programmes for the environmentally sound management of water resources in inland water systems; promotion of institutional systems and development of water management action plans and human resource development on environmentally sound water management. Priority is given to Africa, owing to an urgent need for rational management of water resources in the region. Activities will be developed in the framework of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment in co-operation with interested United Nations bodies (United Nations, DTCD, ECA, WHO, WMO, FAO). These activities will include: implementation of the Zambezi Action Plan; use of the Zambezi Action Plan methodology for the rational management of other lakes and basins.

SUBPROGRAMME 4. ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

The following text <u>modifies</u> the paragraphs of A/37/6 cited below and reflects the redeployment of environmental management from subprogramme 9 (Environmental management, including environmental law):

(a) Legislative authority

12.21 Add to the end of the paragraph: Governing Council decisions 13/1 and 14/13.

(c) Problem addressed

12.23 In line 10 of the paragraph, before the sentence beginning "Environmental education ..." <u>insert</u>: "Although there is already a large body of scientific and technological information on environmental protection in various branches of industry and on the effects of protective measures on the costs of production, it is not yet being widely used. There is also a lack of appropriate measures created by inappropriate national economic policies which adversely affect priorities for environmental protection".

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

12.24 In line 1 of subparagraph 12.24 (a), replace the initial phrase "Integrated approach to environment and development:" with "Environmental aspects of development planning and co-operation:". In line 9 of subparagraph 12.24 (a), after the words "development institutions;" insert: "keeping in view the Environmental Perspective to the Year 2000 and Beyond and the report of the World Commission on Environment and Development;".

Replace subparagraphs 12:24 (b) and (c) with the following text: "12.24 (b) The strategy takes fully into consideration the recommendations of the World Industry Conference on Environmental Management (WICEM) held at Versailles, France,

in November 1984 and includes: fostering discussions related to environmental management of industry among the parties involved - Governments, industry, international institutions, trade and workers' organizations, employees and the general public; co-ordinating the preparation of technical publications on environmental management in the industrial sectors of greatest importance to developing countries; promoting the application of UNEP guidelines for environmentally sound management of industry; increasing the capacity of the existing information system on industry and environment; and providing technical assistance, training, information exchange and use of environmental audits, as well as disseminating case studies".

SUBPROGRAMME 5. OCEANS

The following text $\underline{modifies}$ the paragraphs of A/37/6 cited below, as revised in A/39/6 and A/41/6:

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

12.28 Add to the end of subparagraph 12.28 (c): "; developing regional information and data bases in co-ordination with existing information systems and regular reports on the state of the regional seas and coastal areas; assisting in developing the capacity of countries gradually to assume full technical and financial responsibility for regional seas programmes; and effectively applying the regional legal agreements relating to the protection of the marine environment".

SUBPROGRAMME 9. ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT, INCLUDING ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

The following text modifies the paragraphs of A/37/6 cited below and reflects the redeployment of environmental management to subprogramme 4 (Environment and development):

Replace the title of the subprogramme with:

SUBPROGRAMME 9. ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

(a) Legislative authority

12.41 Replace the paragraph with the following text: General Assembly resolutions 35/36, 3436 (XXX) and 34/186; and UNEP Governing Council decisions 10/21, 11/7, 12/14, 13/18, 14/20, 14/22, 14/25, 14/26, 14/27, 14/28, 14/29, 14/30 and 14/31.

(b) Objectives

12.42 Replace the text of subparagraph 12.42 (i) with:

"Intergovernmental objective: to enact and implement national and, where appropriate, international environmental law and to develop administrative machinery to support sound environmental management and to protect human health and well-being from environmental hazards.

Replace the text of subparagraph 12.42 (ii) with:

<u>General objectives of the secretariat</u>: to promote international and national environmental law through the development of legal instruments, including

agreements and treaties, guidelines, and goals and principles in priority areas; and through the compilation of factual information on international and national environmental law and administration.

(c) Problem addressed

12.43 Replace the paragraph with the following text:

Laws anchor the development of national, regional and global environmental management for sustainable development. There is already a growing list of conventions covering environmental issues, including the seas, the ozone layer and wildlife; international legal principles and quidelines have been developed on other important environmental issues, such as transfrontier movements of hazardous wastes, environmental assessment, and chemicals in international trade. addition, a global convention on the control of transboundary movements of hazardous wastes will be ready for adoption in 1989. In many areas, additional work would be undertaken where authorized by the Governing Council. Such areas could include the following: (a) depletion of the ozone layer; (b) global climate change; (c) transboundary movement of hazardous wastes; (d) exchange of information on chemicals in international trade; (e) preservation of biological diversity; (f) environmental emergencies; and (g) environmental impact assessment. Efforts should also be made to encourage adherance to and effective implementation of, international environmental agreements such as the recently adopted Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

12.44 Replace subparagraphs 12.44 (a) and (b) with the following text:

UNEP activity will concentrate on: development of international legal instruments, including agreements and treaties, guidelines and principles, and peaceful settlement of ecological disputes, in agreed priority areas; compilation of factual information on international and national environmental law and administration; and provision of support to developing countries to enact proper environmental legislation and establish or strengthen existing administrative machinery.

CHAPTER 13. FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

PROGRAMME 4. FOOD AND AGRICULTURE IN LATIN AMERICA
AND THE CARIBBEAN (ECLAC)

SUBPROGRAMME: AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT POLICIES, PLANS AND PROGRAMMES AND LONG-TERM PROSPECTS

The following text modifies paragraphs 13.48 to 13.56 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

13.48 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: ECLAC resolutions 458 (XX) and 481 (XXI) and the Declaration of Buenos Aires, adopted by the Eighteenth FAO Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean.

(b) Objectives

- 13.49 (i) Intergovernmental objective: Add the following at the end of the subparagraph: "expand and diversify agricultural exports; encourage long-term agreements between groups of countries through complementarity of production in the spheres of agricultural technology, external trade, regional self-sufficiency and agro-industrial development; and implement intra-regional co-operation in the field of food and agriculture through an integrated regional food programme";
 - (ii) General objectives of the Secretariat: Add the following at the beginning of the subparagraph: collaboration with Governments in formulating, implementing and supervising their strategies, policies, plans and programmes to improve food and nutrition and achieve agricultural and rural development; and assistance to Governments in articulating and integrating food, agriculture and rural issues into global economic and social development under changing conditions.

(c) Problem addressed

13.50 Add the following at end of the paragraph: Production and availability of food have fallen to levels below those recorded in 1980, while the population has continued to increase. Agricultural production must first recover its dynamism and then rise beyond its former productive ceiling; agricultural exports must be restored, expanded and diversified, at a time when international markets are marked by sustained low prices and depressed demand; and the productive capacity of agriculture should be increased through a rapid and sustained rise in the sector's capital formation. This will have to be achieved while at the same time endeavouring to bring about a better distribution of agricultural income among those who generate it.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

13.56 Add the following text to the end of the paragraph: ", as well as technical support to the secretariats of the integration and/or co-operation programmes at the subregional and regional level, in areas corresponding to their respective

priorities, such as negotiations on food security and interregional trade. Indirect assistance will be provided through the reports and documents that will be submitted to the relevant governmental institutions".

13.56A During the biennium 1990-1991, an interpretative analysis will be made of the characteristics, direction, intensity and prospects for the future of changes that have taken place in Latin American agriculture up to the close of the 1980s as a result of macroeconomic policies and specific agricultural policies. The analysis will also bear on intersectoral relations, with emphasis on the set of direct and indirect consequences that the process of change brings about in forms of social organization of production, in the technological characteristics of industry and in the transformation of the agricultural productive structure. An examination will be made of a number of national cases in which powerful intersectoral links have come into being, in order to appraise their impact upon changes in agriculture.

PROGRAMME 6. FOOD AND AGRICULTURE IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC (ESCAP)

It is proposed to establish a new subprogramme under this programme, after paragraph 13.87, as follows:

SUBPROGRAMME 4. CO-ORDINATION OF THE REGIONAL INTER-AGENCY PROGRAMME ON INTEGRATED RURAL DEVELOPMENT*

(a) Legislative a paority

13.87A The legislative authority for this subprogramme is resolutions 161 (XXXII) and 172 (XXXIII) adopted by the Commission at its thirty-second and thirty-third sessions, respectively, and report of the Commission at its forty-third session, 1987 (E/1987/34-E/ESCAP/590, paras. 605-612).

(b) Objectives

13.87B The objectives of this subprogramme are:

- (i) <u>Intergovernmental objectives</u>: to strengthen co-operation and co-ordination among member countries, through the network of national liaison officers, within the framework of the inter-agency co-ordinated plan of action for integrated rural development with special emphasis on promotion of innovative anti-poverty programmes;
- (ii) General objectives of the secretariat: to promote a co-ordinated approach towards integrated rural development through active co-operation among member United Nations agencies of the Regional Interagency Committee on Integrated Rural Development for Asia and the Pacific.

New subprogramme.

(c) Problem addressed

13.87C The experience derived from the implementation of integrated rural development has amply demonstrated that unless continuous attempts are made to ensure close co-operation among agencies/countries helping the rural poor, the impact of anti-poverty programmes is minimal. The co-operation and co-ordination among the United Nations agencies help significantly to raise the productivity of the programmes and help to avoid undesirable duplications and overlaps.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

13.87D The basic strategy will continue to pursue active co-operation and co-ordination among participating agencies and countries. The mode of such co-operation and co-ordination will remain as detailed in the inter-agency co-ordinated plan of action for integrated rural development in the ESCAP region.

CHAPTER 14. HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

PROGRAMME 1. GLOBAL HUMAN SETTLEMENTS ISSUES (UNITED NATIONS CENTRE FOR HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: HABITAT)

SUBPROGRAMME 2. SETTLEMENTS PLANNING

The following text for the subprogramme modifies the paragraphs of A/37/6 cited below:

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

14.22 At the end of the current text, <u>add</u>: "In the biennium 1990-1991, information will be collected on the effectiveness of present urban planning techniques in dealing with the increasing demand for land, shelter, infrastructure and services, particularly in connection with the nature and the scale of urbanization processes and the problems of rapidly-growing cities in the developing regions, and the impact of these processes on the most vulnerable groups, including women".

SUBPROGRAMME 3. SHELTER AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

The following text for the subprogramme modifies the paragraphs of A/37/6 cited below:

(b) Objectives

14.24 At the end of the current text of subparagraph 14.24 (iii), add: "; to assess the impact of national shelter strategies on the development of shelter and services, with particular emphasis on women's participation in all aspects of human settlements development".

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

14.26 At the end of the current text, <u>add</u>: "In the biennium 1990-1991, the results of national policies, programmes and projects related to the International Year of Shelter for the Homeless will be evaluated through a number of national case studies. An assessment will be made through case studies, and guidelines and training will be provided to facilitate women's participation, at all levels, in various aspects of human settlements development".

SUBPROGRAMME 4. DEVELOPMENT OF The INDIGENOUS CONSTRUCTION SECTOR

The following text for the subprogramme $\underline{modifies}$ the paragraphs of A/37/6 cited below:

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

14.33 At the end of the current text, add: "In the biennium 1990-1991, local capacity in low-cost building materials technology will be strengthened through field activities and back-up services in areas such as (a) machinery adaptation, (b) manpower development, (c) energy utilization, (d) quality control in production, (e) building design, (f) construction techniques, and (g) appropriate

regulations and standards. In addition, information flow on appropriate technology transfer related to low-cost constructions will be promoted, including the use of basic computer software, to facilitate the attainment of local technological capacity".

SUBPROGRAMME 5. LOW-COST INFRASTRUCTURE FOR HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

The following text for the subprogramme modifies the paragraphs of A/37/6 cited below:

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

14.39 At the end of the current text, <u>add</u>: "In the biennium 1990-1991, guidelines will be prepared to increase municipal revenue bases and improve the efficiency of their application. Demonstration projects will be promoted to test innovative technologies and approaches to planning and delivering basic infrastructure and meeting energy requirements. National and regional seminars will be conducted to develop feasible strategies for establishing programmes aimed at reducing the deficit in urban and rural basic infrastructure and energy supply in human settlements. Micro-computer software will be developed for decision-making, planning and designing infrastructure systems."

SUBPROGRAMME 8. HUMAN SETTLEMENTS INSTITUTIONS AND MANAGEMENT

The following text for the subprogramme modifies the paragraphs of A/37/6 cited below:

(a) Legislative authority

14.50 At the end of the carrent text, add: "and 40/202".

(b) Objectives

14.51 At the end of the current text of paragraph 14.51 (iii), add: "and to improve managerial capacities in rapidly growing urban centres in developing countries (1991)".

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

14.55 At the end of the current text, add: "In the biennium 1990-1991, assistance will be provided to settlements institutions for the assessment of training needs and the formulation of training and human resources development strategies in order to improve their management capability. Research and analysis on training needs assessment methodologies, developed and field-tested during the 1984-1989 period, The design, implementation and evaluation of training courses in will continue. human settlements management for national and local government officials will continue. Technical documents, training materials and audio-visual materials will be prepared and distributed periodically to assist all Member States in developing and strengthening their human settlements institutions. Governments and concerned organizations will be encouraged to use the annual World HABITAT Day observance the first Monday of October - to focus attention on the nature of the human settlements problem, the policies and solutions being applied nationally, and the techniques and technologies which various countries are utilizing. An information kit and a photographic exhibition will be prepared and distributed by UNCHS (Habitat) every year to this end."

PROGRAMME 4. HUMAN SETTLEMENTS IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN (ECLAC)

The following text mod_fies the title of subprogrammes 1 and 4 and paragraphs 14.87 to 14.90 and 14.99 to 14.102 of A/37/6.

SUBPROGRAMME 1. ANALYSIS OF THE CONDITIONS, STRATEGIES AND MANAGEMENT OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS IN THE REGION*

(a) Legislative authority

14.87 Add: ECLAC resolution 485 (XXI) and General Assembly resolution 37/221 on the International Year of Shelter for the Homeless.

(b) Objectives

- 14.88 (i) Intergovernmental objective: Add the following text at the end of the subparagraph: "to improve the capacity of Governments to assess the conditions of human settlements, to promote the development of settlements and a spatial distribution of the population, which is appropriate for the general aims of national development; to improve the management of settlements; and to draw up policies and strategies for action";
 - (ii) General objectives of the Secretariat: Add the following text at the end of the subparagraph: "to assist Governments in the formulation of national and sectoral policies and strategies, in the development of guidelines for the planning and administration of metropolitan centres, in the strengthening of the management capacity of local governments, and, in the promotion of co-ordinated and effective participation by community and non-governmental organizations in the improvement of housing and settlements".

(c) Problem addressed

14.89 Add the following: "The absence of basic relevant information prevents Governments from making reliable diagnoses of the situation of settlements and leads them to design policies and strategies based on uncertain assumptions or unreliable data. Nor has any clear assessment been made of the positive and negative aspects of metropolitan centres and of forms of spatial population distribution required for planning and managing urban centres and settlement systems. A lack of management capacity has also prevented the potential of local governments to plan and the implementation of activities on behalf of the community from being realized; and the efforts by community and non-governmental organizations are not always carried out in such a way as to be complementary to and in furtherance of the efforts of Governments".

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

14.90 Add the following: "During the 1990-1991 biennium, research activities will be carried out in the following areas: conditions and trends in human settlements;

^{*} New subprogramme title.

management, planning and maintenance of metropolitan systems; local government and the formulation of plans and projects at the local level; and community participation and non-governmental organizations. Results of these studies will be provided to Governments and interested non-governmental organizations".

SUBPROGRAMME 4: RESOURCES FOR HOUSING AND THE CONSTRUCTION SECTOR*

(a) Legislative authority

14.99 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: ECLAC resolution 485 (XXI) and General Assembly resolution 37/221 on the International Year of Shelter for the Homeless.

(b) Objectives

- 14.100 (i) Intergovernmental objectives: Add the following at the end of subparagraph (i): "; to improve the manner of allocation and utilization of national resources for improving housing and makeshift settlements; and to promote the development of the construction industry as a key factor for the economic and social development of countries";
 - (ii) General objectives of the Secretariat: Add the following at the end of subparagraph (ii): "; to assist Governments in the application of innovative methods of allocating and utilizing resources for housing and the improvement and running of makeshift settlements and in the potential of the housing construction industry for the promotion of employment and regional economic and social development".

(c) Problem addressed

Add the following new paragraph:

14.101A At present, the financial, material and human resources potentially available for improving housing and makeshift settlements are neither optimally distributed nor fully utilized. Moreover, inadequate legislation and administrative mechanisms lead to frequent failure to use the resources intended for the sector efficiently. There is no detailed assessment of the activity of the construction industry, either formal or informal, in the housing and services sector, nor of its potential contribution to the promotion of employment and national development. This militates against the proper design of policies in support of the housing and services sector within a national development strategy.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Add the following new paragraph:

14.102A During the 1990-1991 biennium, research, assistance and information dissemination activities will be carried out in the following areas: the mobilization and management of resources for housing and the improvement of

^{*} New subprogramme title.

makeshift settlements, and the formal and informal construction industry in the region. Studies will explore ways and means leading to optimal distribution and full utilization of potential and available rescurces. An assessment will be made of the construction industry and its potential contribution to employment and national development. The result of these studies will be disseminated to Governments and technical assistance will be extended to enable them to design policies in support of the housing and services sector within their respective national development strategies.

PROGRAMME 5. HUMAN SETTLEMENTS IN WESTERN ASIA (ESCWA)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. INTEGRATION OF PHYSICAL PLANNING WITH ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PLANNING

The following text modifies paragraphs 14.105 to 14.122 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

14.105 Add ESCWA resolutions 156 (XIV) and 157 (XIV), and General Assembly resolution 40/105.

(b) Objectives

14.106 <u>Replace</u> second half of subparagraph (iii) beginning with "... and stimulation of progress ..." with the following: evaluate the human settlements situation with special reference to settlements planning and policies with a view to providing alternative options for policy-making.

(c) Problem addressed

14.107 Add the following at the end of the first sentence: ", especially issues related to the role of women and the family have been neglected;"

Add the following at the end of the paragraph: ", as well as an effective land-use policy. The increase in population and the rapid urbanization process make it necessary to implement sound public housing policies, including alternative housing finance systems. Furthermore, the need for energy conservation requires planning approaches to include the use of energy saving architectural designs and building materials":

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

14.108 Add the following new paragraph:

14.108 (a) Emphasis will be placed on the review and appraisal of the role of women and the family in human settlement development and planning. Appropriate organizational set-ups, such as self-help and co-operative systems will be promoted with relevant training programmes. Land-use patterns and policies will be studied and proposals made for their improvement and, if necessary, alternative approaches will be proposed. Housing policies will be reviewed and alternative policies proposed to minimize disturbance to ecological balance and maximize protection of the human environment. The relationship between city planning and the use of energy-efficient building materials and architectural designs will also be studied and the implementation of an integrated approach will be promoted to meet the

increasing demand for housing, particularly by the low-income groups. The current housing finance policies and systems will be evaluated and more innovative policies and mechanisms proposed.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. CITY MANAGEMENT

The following text modifies paragraph 14.112 of A/37/6, as revised in A/41/6.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

14.112. Add at the end of the paragraph the following: Studies presenting the intersectoral approach to social and environmental problems of contemporary patterns of urban growth in major Arab cities will be undertaken.

Subprogrammes 3 and 4 are proposed for deletion, since activities under subprogramme 3 entitled "Building materials" and subprogramme 4 entitled "Survey, analysis and evaluation of the impact and effectiveness of prefabrication" will be completed at the end of 1989. Related issues will be dealt with under subprogramme 1 during the biennium 1990-1991.

CHAPTER 15. INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

PROGRAMME 7. INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN WESSERN ASIA (ESCWA)

SUBPROGRAMME 3. DEVELOPMENT OF SELECTED INDUSTRIAL BRANCHES AND IDENTIFICATION OF REGIONAL PROJECTS

The following text modifies paragraphs 15.140 and 15.142 to 15.144 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

15.140 Add Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/86.

(c) Problem addressed

15.142 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: Progress in the area of transfer, adaptation and indigenous development of technology has not been commensurate with the need. Governments need assistance in order to accelerate efforts, including the development of institutional infrastructure at both the national and regional levels. The role of women in these areas has still not been given due attention.

Add the following new paragraph:

15.142A Most of the newly established large-scale industrial enterprises in the ESCWA region in the field of petrochemicals, oil refining, iron and steel, aluminium and engineering industries have started to encounter problems resulting, among other things, in under-utilization of designed capacity and inefficient operation.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Add the following new paragraph:

15.144A Special attention will be given to indigenous development of advanced industrial technological capabilities, including the development of selected technologies deemed suitable to the needs of Member States, namely, microelectronics and informatics, genetic engineering and biotechnology. Promotion measures and assistance in the development and transfer of these selected technologies will be undertaken. Training programmes in advanced techniques more suitable for women will be organized with a view to upgrading their technical capabilities and opportunities for work.

15.144B In order to assist in improving the efficiency of existing industries, technical assistance will be provided, for instance, through in-depth diagnostic studies with proposals for remedial measures, as appropriate, and monitoring the implementation of such remedial measures. Measures will be taken to increase the participation and improve the competence of women in these industries.

CHAPTER 16. INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT FINANCE

PROGRAMME 1. MONEY, FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT (UNCTAD)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. EXTERNAL FINANCING, DEBT PROBLEMS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND INTERNATIONAL MONETARY ISSUES

The following text modifies paragraph 16.11 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6.

(a) Legislative authority

16.11 $\underline{\text{Add}}$ Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD, paragraphs 34-69, and General Assembly resolutions 41/202, 42/175, 42/195 and 42/198.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. INTERRELATIONSHIPS AMONG TRADE, DEVELOPMENT, MONEY AND FINANCE AND CONTRIBUTION TO THE 1MPLEMENTATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

The following text modifies paragraphs 16.15 and 16.16 of A/37/6, as revised in A/41/38.

(a) Legislative authority

16.15 Add Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD, paragraphs 25-32, 34-69 and 154-155; and General Assembly resolutions 42/175, 42/187, 42/193 and 42/195.

(b) Objectives

16.16 (i) <u>Intergovernmental objectives</u>:

 $\underline{\mathrm{Add}}$ at the end of subparagraph (i): "; to review, within the mandate of UNCTAD, its contribution to sustainable development in accordance with General Assembly resolution 42/187".

SUBPROGRAMME 3. ECONOMIC PROSPECTS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, COMMODITY MARKET PROSPECTS AND DEBT MANAGEMENT

The following text modifies paragraph 16.19 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6.

(a) Legislative authority

16.19 Add Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD, paragraphs 4-32 and 44-46; and General Assembly resolution 42/175.

PROGRAMME 2. COMMODITIES (UNCTAD)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. ACTION WITH RESPECT TO INDIVIDUAL COMMODITIES AND SUPPORT FOR THE COMMON FUND FOR COMMODITIES

The following text modifies paragraphs 16.26, 16.27 and 16.29 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6 and A/39/38.

(a) Legislative authority

16.26 Add Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD, paragraphs 74-80 and 94-97; Committee on Commodities decisions 4 (V) and 23 (XI) and paragraph 99; and General Assembly resolution 42/175.

(b) Objectives

16.27 (i) Intergovernmental objectives:

Replace the entire subparagraph by a new text as follows: To seek lasting solutions to deal effectively with the short-, medium- and long-term problems in the commodities area, bearing in mind the Integrated Programme for Commodities as reaffirmed in the Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD and, to this end, to achieve a better functioning of commodity markets and stable and more predictable conditions in commodity trade, including the avoidance of excessive price fluctuations and the search for long-term solutions to commodity problems; where appropriate and feasible, to enhance, strengthen or establish producer-consumer consultations and co-operation; to improve the operation and functioning of existing commodity agreements; to negotiate new international commodity agreements or arrangements, where appropriate and feasible, and to make the Common Fund for Commodities operational.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

16.29 Replace the last sentence by: The situation of disposal of non-commercial stocks will be reviewed in the light of the mandates of UNCTAD.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. ACTION WITH RESPECT TO DEVELOPMENTAL AND GENERAL OBJECTIVES OF INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY POLICY

The following text modifies paragraphs 16.30 to 16.35 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6 and A/39/38.

(a) Legislative authority

16.30 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD, part II, section B (3), (4) and (5); and General Assembly resolution 42/175.

(b) Objectives

16.31 (i) <u>Intergovernmental objectives</u>:

<u>Insert</u> the following at the beginning of subparagraph 16.31 (i): To intensify international co-operation between producers and consumers for the horizontal and vertical diversification of the economies of developing countries, as well as increased participation in the processing, marketing and distribution, including transportation of their commodities; to direct international assistance to viable diversification programmes within a broad policy framework and in the context of growth-oriented structural adjustment; in that context, to adequately expand official bilateral and multilateral resources as well as private resources, including private investment, complemented with technical co-operation for their implementation as well as feasibility studies and infrastructural development.

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(ii) General objectives of the secretariat:

Replace the entire subparagraph by a new text as follows: To assist the intergovernmental bodies in attaining the above-mentioned objectives by undertaking studies and elaborating proposals for international co-operation and, as required, supporting related intergovernmental consultations and negotiations; and by improving information flows and undertaking technical co-operation projects and programmes.

(c) Problems addressed

16.32 Replace the entire paragraph by the following, the additions to which have been underlined: Decisions on diversification are primarily the responsibility of developing countries. Diversification of their economies is needed in order to reduce vulnerability to changing market conditions and instability in commodity export earnings. Commodity-related shortfalls in export earnings of developing countries are an important obstacle to their development efforts. There is a linkage between diversification efforts and market access conditions. the participation of developing countries in the processing, marketing and distribution of their commodities, as well as with other related activities, is seriously inadequate in relation to their development needs. Access to markets for the commodity exports of developing countries, particularly in processed form, is hampered in many cases by a variety of obstacles related to the trade policies of importing countries and to the structures of ownership and control in the economic sectors concerned. Competition from synthetics and substitutes poses special problems for countries which export similar natural products. The export earnings of developing countries are subject to serious fluctuation, particularly as a result of fluctuations in markets for commodities exported by them, adversely affecting their development efforts. Obstacles to food exports, as well as appropriate production and food policies, and uncertainties and difficulties regarding the availability and price of food they need to import adversely affect food production programmes and economic development, particularly of developing countries.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

- 16.33 Replace the entire paragraph by a new text as follows: The secretariat will, as required, study and report on factors and problems which impede in developing countries diversification and increased participation in the processing, marketing and distribution of commodities, as well as on measures and policies for achieving these goals. The secretariat will also examine ways and means of increasing technical and human resources development assistance to individual or groupings of developing countries for the implementation of diversification programmes, including processing, marketing and distribution activities and will contribute to the improvement of information flows to aid investment decisions. The strategy will also include monitoring, evaluating, and suggesting ways of stimulating an expansion of official bilateral and multilateral resources, as well as private resources, including private investments for diversification projects and programmes.
- 16.34 <u>Replace</u> the entire paragraph by a new text as follows: The question of the establishment of an additional, commodity-specific complementary facility to compensate for shortfalls in export earnings, together with the improvement of existing facilities, remains under consideration. In the light of the

deliberations at the seventh session of UNCTAD, the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on the Compensatory Financing of Export Earnings Shortfalls will take into account the implications of export earnings shortfalls and, when making its recommendations, consider the various institutional options, bearing in mind the balance-of-payments and/or commodity-related approaches for dealing with the financing of such shortfalls.

16.35 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: Technical co-operation to developing countries, on request, in the context of the Uruguay Round, will be extended in respect of the areas of tropical products, natural resource-based products and agriculture.

16.37 <u>Replace</u> "International Programme for Commodities" by "Integrated Programme for Commodities" at the end of the first sentence.

PROGRAMME 3. MANUFACTURES AND SEMI-MANUFACTURES (UNCTAD)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. PROTECTIONISM AND STRUCTURAL ADJUSTMENT

The following text $\underline{\text{modifies}}$ paragraphs 16.39 to 16.42 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6 and A/39/38.

(a) Legislative authority

16.39 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: UNCTAD resolution 159 (VI): Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD, paragraph 105; Trade and Development Board resolution 286 (XXVIII) and decision 309 (XXX); Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Restrictive Business Practices resolution 3 (III); Agreed decisions and conclusions of the sixth session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Restrictive Business Practices; and General Assembly resolution 42/175.

(b) Objectives

16.40 (i) <u>Intergovernmental objectives</u>:

Replace the entire subparagraph by the following text, the additions to which have been underlined: To liberalize governmental barriers to international trade of a tariff and non-tariff nature; to fulfil commitments in the field of international trade, including those contained in paragraph 105 of the Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD, including provision of differential and more favourable treatment to developing countries, review of existing trade legislation, regulations and procedures relating to anti-dumping and countervailing duties to ensure that there are no unjustifiable impediments to the trade of other countries, in particular to that of the developing countries and establishment of an improved and more efficient safeguard system; to eliminate or effectively control restrictive business practices that adversely affect international trade, particularly that of developing countries, and the economic development of these countries through, inter alia, ensuring transparency and deferring consultation procedures; to facilitate structural adjustment with a view to ensuring optimum overall growth, including the development and diversification of the economies of developing countries and an effective international division of labour; to make proposals as to the strengthening and improvement of the trading system with a view to giving it a more universal and dynamic character, as well as to making it more

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responsive to the needs of developing countries and supportive of accelerated economic growth and development, particularly of developing countries; to continue work on services within UNCTAD's mandate, Conference resolution 159 (VI), Board decision 309 (XXX) and paragraph 105 (19) of the Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD.*

16.40 (ii) General objectives of the secretariat:

Replace the entire subparagraph by the following text, the additions to which have been underlined: To prepare reports and analytical studies to assist UNCTAD intergovernmental bodies in the evolution of a conceptual framework and in the formulation of policy proposals for the achievement of the above-mentioned objectives; to service, as required, consultations between States and to provide substantive support for technical co-operation in the area of restrictive business practices; and to provide support for technical co-operation to developing countries on request, in connection with the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations and to continue its programme of technical co-operation to developing countries in the field of services, paying special attention to the needs of the least-developed countries; to continue keeping Member States informed on the progress and activities of the technical co-operation projects and to prepare a detailed report on them annually.

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(c) Problems addressed

16.41 Replace the entire paragraph by the following new text: Structural rigidities and resistance to structural change have exacerbated protectionism, including sectors of particular export interest to developing countries. Subsidization of production and exports have resulted in major distortions in the world economy and mis-allocations of resources. It is generally recognized that expansion of trade has an important role in the process of economic development and there is a strong interrelationship between trade expansion and structural adjustment. The international trading system is under a severe strain. Protectionist pressures and measures have proliferated and tendencies towards managed trade have intensified. International trade has been affected by restrictive trade policies and restrictive business practices. This is undermining the functioning of the international trading system and retarding the process of structural adjustment. These factors are having a serious impact on trade and particularly on the trade and development of developing countries.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

16.42 Replace the entire paragraph by the following text, the additions to which have been underlined: Protectionism and structural adjustment are likely to remain core issues during the period and, as such, form an important part of the Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade. The annual review of protectionism and structural adjustment in the Trade and Development Board should continue under the existing mandate and should be improved to have a wider

^{*} Statements made in connection with the adoption of the Final Act of the seventh session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development are contained in the Proceedings of the Conference (TD/351, vol. 1, issued in mimeographed form).

coverage, taking into account the specific interests of developing countries. The Board will continue to monitor the implementation of commitments and, where necessary, formulate appropriate recommendations concerning general problems of protectionism and to monitor trading developments and, where appropriate, make general policy recommendations with regard to structural adjustment. secretariat will continue to prepare studies and analyses covering, in a consistent way, all countries and groups of countries, paying commensurate attention to manufactures, agriculture and services. In this context, the importance of a favourable international economic environment and relevance of domestic policies is recognized, in particular those policies which have a large influence on the world economy. As appropriate, it will make proposals with the aim of facilitating an expansion of international trade, particularly that of developing countries. Particular attention will be focused on measures affecting such trade and development in the international trading system resulting, inter alia, from implementation of the agreements reached in the multilateral trade negotiations. The intergovernmental bodies of UNCTAD will review and study in depth developments in the international trading system and, while fully respecting the principles of most-favoured-nation and non-discrimination, make recommendations on principles and policies related to international trade. They will also consider the role of services in the development process. The secretariat will undertake further studies of the role of services in the development process, analyse the implications of the issues raised in the context of trade in services and explore appropriate problematics for trade in services, keeping in view technological changes in the field of services. In respect of restrictive business practices, the ongoing work in UNCTAD should continue and be strengthened. In accordance with General Assembly resolution 41/167, a United Nations Conference will be convened in 1990 to review all aspects of the Set of Principles and Rules. The Intergovernmental Group of Experts will make proposals to the Conference for the improvement and further development of the Set and, to this end, the secretariat will prepare reports on various related aspects. It will also continue to publish annual reports and quarterly information notes on legislative and other developments regarding restrictive business practices, to elaborate the model law or laws on restrictive business practices and to provide support for technical The Intergovernmental Group has also called on it to continue work on a handbook of legislation on restrictive business practices and collection and dissemination of information, particularly to developing countries, relevant to the control of restrictive business practices.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. TRADE EXPANSION AND THE GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES

The following text modifies paragraphs 16.43, 16.44 and 16.46 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6 and A/41/6.

(a) Legislative authority

16.43 Add the following to the end of the paragraph: Agreed conclusions of the Special Committee on Preferences at its thirteenth session; UNCTAD resolution 159 (VI), Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD, paragraph 105 (5, 6 and 28) and General Assembly resolution 42/175.

(b) Objectives

16.44 (ii) General objectives of the secretariat:

Replace the following words at the end of the paragraph "including on aspects of the generalized system of preferences", by: ; to continue and strengthen the technical co-operation programmes in the field of the generalized system of preferences, and to publish detailed information on the technical co-operation programmes.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

16.46 <u>Delete</u> "as regards the generalized system of preferences," immediately after the second sentence and <u>insert</u> the following: The Special Committee on Preferences should consider a study on improvement of the preference-giving countries' autonomous generalized system of preferences schemes, <u>inter alia</u>, through the expansion of product coverage and in strict compliance with multilaterally agreed principles related to their generalized, non-discriminatory and non-reciprocal character.

PROGRAMME 4. ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES (UNCTAD)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. TRADE EXPANSION AND PROMOTION

The following text modifies paragraph 16.49 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6.

(a) <u>Legislative authority</u>

16.49 Add Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD, paragraphs 30 (d) and 148; Committee on Economic Co-operation among Developing Countries resolution 3 (IV), paragraphs 2 (a) (i) and 6; and General Assembly resolution 42/175.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. MULTINATIONAL ENTERPRISES

The following text modifies paragraph 16.53 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

16.53 Add UNCTAD resolution 139 (VI); Committee on Economic Co-operation among Developing Countries resolution 2 (III), paragraphs 2 (a) (ii) and resolution 3 (IV), paragraphs 2 (a) (iii), (v) and (vi); Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD, paragraph 30 (d); and General Assembly resolutions 41/182 and 42/175.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. SUBREGIONAL, REGIONAL AND INTERREGIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION AND INTEGRATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

The following text modifies paragraph 16.57 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

16.57 Add UNCTAD resolution 139 (VI); Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD, paragraph 30 (d); Committee on Economic Co-operation among Developing Countries

resolution 2 (III), paragraphs 2 (a) (i), 3 to 5 and 10 and resolution 3 (IV), paragraphs 2 (d) (vii); and General Assembly resolution 42/175.

SUBPROGRAMME 4. MONETARY AND FINANCIAL CO-OPERATION

The following text modifies paragraphs 16.61, 16.63 and 16.64 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6.

(a) Legislative authority

16.61 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD, paragraph 30 (d); Committee on Economic Co-operation among Developing Countries, resolution 3 (IV), paragraphs 2 (b) and (c); and General Assembly resolution 42/175.

(c) Problems addressed

16.63 Add in the third sentence of the paragraph, after "clearing arrangements" the words, ", as well as trade and financing,".

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

16.64 Add in the second sentence of the paragraph, after "payments arrangements" the words, "as well as trade financing,".

Add the following text at the end of paragraph 16.64: Emphasis will be given to interregional links in trade financial and monetary co-operation through the elaboration of an interregional trade financing facility and linkages among payments and clearing arrangements of developing countries.

SUBPROGRAMME 5. INTER-AGENCY CO-ORDINATION

The following text modifies A/37/6, as revised in paragraph 16.64A of A/41/6.

(a) Legislative authority

16.64A Add UNCTAD resolution 139 (VI), paragraph (c); Committee on Economic Co-operation among Developing Countries resolution 3 (IV), paragraphs 2 (a) (V) and 3.

PROGRAMME 5. TRADE AMONG COUNTRIES HAVING DIFFERENT ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SYSTEMS (UNCTAD)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. EXPANSION OF ALL TRADE FLOWS AMONG COUNTRIES HAVING DIFFERENT ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SYSTEMS

The following text $\underline{\text{modifies}}$ paragraphs 16.67 and 16.70 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6.

(a) Legislative authority

16.67 Replace the entire paragraph by the following text, the additions to which have been underlined: The legislative authority for this subprogramme is UNCTAD

resolutions 15 (II), 53 (III), 95 (IV) and Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD, paragraphs 30 and 105 (25-29); Trade and Development Board decisions 186 (XIX) and 321 (XXXI); and General Assembly resolution 42/175.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

16.70 Add after the first sentence: In this context, the secretariat will carry out further analytical work on developments in trade relations between countries having different economic and social systems, in particular East-South trade. This further work should be based on better and more transparent statistics and pay due regard to the product structure, geographical coverage and the respective roles played in this trade by various developing countries.

In the original second sentence (A/37/6), <u>replace</u>: "These activities will include, in particular," <u>by</u> "Specific activities will include".

SUBPROGRAMME 2. PROMOTION OF VARIOUS FORMS OF ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION

The following text modifies paragraph 16.71 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6.

(a) <u>Legislative authority</u>

16.71 Replace the entire paragraph by the following text, the additions to which have been underlined: The legislative authority for this subprogramme is UNCTAD resolutions 15 (II), 53 (III), 95 (IV) and Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD, paragraphs 30 and 105 (25-29); Trade and Development Board decisions 186 (XIX) and 321 (XXXI); and General Assembly resolution 42/175.

PROGRAMME 6. LEAST DEVELOPED, LAND-LOCKED AND ISLAND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES (UNCTAD)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

The following text <u>modifies</u> paragraphs 16.77, 16.78 (ii) and 16.81 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6, A/39/38, A/41/6 and A/41/38.

(a) Legislative authority

16.77 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD, paragraphs 106 to 153; Trade and Development Board decision 349 (XXXIV); and General Assembly resolutions 40/205, 42/175 and 42/177.

(b) Objectives

16.78 (ii) General objectives of the secretariat:

Replace the entire subparagraph by the following text, the additions to which have been underlined: To make detailed arrangements at the global level for the implementation, co-ordination and monitoring of the Substantial New Programme of Action; to continue to prepare, on a regular basis, reports on the situation in the least developed countries, as well as on the implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action; and to make preparations for the global review and appraisal of the implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action to be carried out

by the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, at a high level, in 1990.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

16.81 Replace the entire paragraph by the following text, the additions to which have been underlined: During the period 1984-1989, the individual aid consultative groups will continue to meet at regular intervals in accordance with the provisions of the Substantial New Programme of Action adopted at the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries. Arrangements for implementation, co-ordination and monitoring of the Substantial New Programme of Action at the global level will be further strengthened. Reviews of progress in its implementation and in international support measures will be prepared regularly. Further studies will be prepared on trade and development problems facing the least-developed countries, with specific recommendations for national and international action. Reports containing up-to-date information on the situation in the least-developed countries and the basic data series will continue to be published with a view, inter alia, to promoting the follow-up to the United Nations Conference on Least Developed Countries. The preparatory process for a global review and appraisal of the implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action to be carried out by the United Nations Conference on Least Developed Countries in 1990, at a high level, will be started. In the context of the preparations for the above conference, the secretariat will adhere to the terms of reference annexed to General Assembly resolution 42/177.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. LAND-LOCKED AND ISLAND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

The following text modifies paragraph 16.82 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6 and A/41/6.

(a) Legislative authority

16.82 Add General Assembly resolution 42/174.

CHAPTER 17. NATURAL RESOURCES

PROGRAMME 1. NATURAL RESOURCES

SUBPROGRAMME 4. WATER RESOURCES

The following text modifies paragraphs 17.31, 17.33, 17.34 and 17.36 of A/37/6.

- (a) Legislative authority
- 17.31 Add Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/7.
- (c) Problem addressed
- 17.33 Add to the end of the paragraph the following text: Periodic assessments that have been conducted for the Committee on Natural Resources and other intergovernmental forums show that while considerable progress has been made in the implementation of the Action Plan since its adoption in 1977, serious problems and constraints are being faced with regard to important areas of the Action Plan. Their solution will require strong and concerted actions by Governments, the United Nations system of organizations and the international community at large.
- (d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991
- 17.34 Add to the end of the paragraph the following text: In particular, the secretariat, in consultation with the organizations of the system concerned, will prepare for the Committee on Natural Resources, at its twelfth session, a comprehensive strategy for the implementation of the Mar del Plata Action Plan during the decade 1991-2000, including recommendations for action by the United Nations system.

Replace paragraph 17.36 by the following:

17.36 The Secretariat will continue to collect information on activities of the organizations of the system active in the field of water resources, including the updating and publication of a consolidated catalogue of publications.

PROGRAMME 2. NATURAL RESOURCES (DTCD)

SÜBPROGRAMME 1. MINERAL RESOURCES

The following text modifies paragraphs 17.41, 17.45 and 17.46 of A/37/6.

- (a) <u>Legislative authority</u>
- 17.41 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: Economic and Social Council resolutions 1985/47, 1987/8, 1987/10 and 1987/12.
- (d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991
- 17.45 Add the following to the end of the paragraph: As an important component of technical co-operation activities, special efforts will be undertaken to promote technical co-operation among developing countries.

17.46 Add the following to the end of the paragraph: Increased attention will be given to small-scale mining, which contributes to rural development, creation of employment in remote areas, and export earnings, as many of the small mining projects produce precious metals, such as gold. Social benefits and problems will be assessed as a contribution towards efforts to encourage increased participation of women in the small-scale mining sector otherwise mostly limited to men.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. WATER RESOURCES

The following text modifies paragraphs 17.47, 17.48, 17.51 and 17.52 of A/37/6:

(a) Legislative authority

17.47 Add the following to the paragraph: Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/10.

(b) Objectives

17.48 Add the following to subparagraph (i): and to ensure women's participation in and access to water supply projects in rural areas.

Add the following to subparagraph (ii) after "non-conventional sources of water;": training users, especially women, in the efficient use of water and in village level operation and maintenance;.

(c) Problem addressed

17.51 Add the following to the paragraph: There is a need to reduce the incidence of water-borne disease and the burden on women of carrying poor quality water over long distances.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

17.52 <u>Insert</u> the following after the second sentence of the paragraph:
(f) preparation of community participation and training of women in the operation and maintenance of water supply systems in rural and peri-urban areas. Attention will also be paid to measures intended to improve the quality of water and to reduce incidence of water-borne diseases.

CHAPTER 18. POPULATION

PROGRAMME 1. ANALYSIS OF WORLD POPULATION (DIESA)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. WORLD DEMOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS

The following text modifies paragraphs 18.10 and 18.13 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

18.10 Add General Assembly resolution 42/8 and Economic and Social Council resolutions 198 /3 and 1987/71.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

18.13 Add after the first semicolon in the raragraph the phrase "population consequences of the global acquired immunode tiency syndrome (AIDS) epidemic;".

PROGRAMME 2. TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION IN POPULATION (DTCD)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. SUPPORT OF TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION PROJECTS

The following text modifies paragraphs 18.47 and 18.50 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

18.47 Add the following to the paragraph: 1984/4, 1985/5 and 1986/7.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

18.50 Add the following to the paragraph: (e) the analysis and interpretation, for planning and policy formulation, of data tabulated to derive indicators that reflect women's role and status so that these are reinforced and integrated into the development process.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. ANALYSIS AND EVALUATION OF TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION ACTIVITIES IN POPULATION

The following text modifies paragraphs 18.51 and 18.54 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

18.51 Add the following to the paragraph: 1984/4, 1985/5 and 1986/7.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

18.54 Add the following to the paragraph: In the area of women, efforts will be made to set up and disseminate special teaching modules that can form parts of

demography teaching programmes and especially courses dealing with population and development.

PROGRAMME 4. POPULATION IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN (ECLAC)

The following text modifies the titles of subprogrammes 1, 2 and 3 and paragraphs 18.74 to 18.93 of $\lambda/37/6$, and subprogramme 4 as revised in $\lambda/41/6$.

SUBPROGRAMME 1. INTEGRATION OF POPULATION VARIABLES IN DEVELOPMENT PLANNING*

- (a) Legislative authority
- 18.74 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: ECLAC resolution 481 (XXI).
- (b) Objectives
- 18.75 (i) Intergovernmental objectives: Add the following text at the end of subparagraph (i): "; to increase the capability of Latin American countries to formulate global, sectoral and spatial development plans and policies utilizing information on population trends, their determining factors and their economic and social consequences, especially to incorporate population factors into plans and policies aimed at various target groups".
 - (ii) General objective of the secretariat: Add the following text at the end of subparagraph (ii): "; to assist Governments in maintaining up-to-date knowledge of their population dynamics and their socio-economic determinants and consequences, in integrating population variables in public policies and in global and sectoral planning, and in using population variables in regional and local planning and in selected sectoral planning".

(c) Problem addressed

Add the following new paragraph:

18.76A A number of countries still require substantial assistance in collection of data and elaboration of basic demographic estimates, owing in part to the heterogeneous situations in the region. Furthermore, because of their complex nature, progress has been much slower in the clarification of the interrelations between population dynamics and social, cultural and economic development. Few countries have established national population policies or have strong population commissions to oversee population activities.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Add the following three new paragraphs:

18.77A The activities under this subprogramme will aim at providing support to countries with less resources in keeping up-to-date knowledge of their demographic

^{*} New subprogramme title.

dynamics and in the use of economic-demographic models for planning and policy formulation, with special reference to the sectors most affected by the external debt crisis. The subprogramme will be concerned with specific subgroups, particularly women, the aged and youth, and with actual planning within such sectors as health.

18.77B Appropriate analytical tools will be designed and disseminated among national technical staff who will receive training on evaluation of sectoral basic needs, in accordance with government priorities. Assistance will be provided during the process of formulation, execution, follow-up and evaluation of strategies and policies aimed at meeting the basic needs of specific sectors.

18.77C An integrated approach through specific sectors may be an alternative strategy. More attention will therefore be paid to the national institutions responsible for the elaboration of sectoral and spatial plans and policies, addressing technical co-operation activities mainly to the agencies responsible for these tasks, for example, planning, health, education, labour and housing ministries.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. POPULATION INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT*

- (a) Legislative authority
- 18.78 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: ECLAC resolution 481 (XXI).

(b) Objectives

- 18.79 (i) Intergovernmental objective: Add the following at the end of subparagraph (i): "; to strengthen national self-reliance in managing and utilizing population information; and to foster co-operation among governmental, non-governmental and university institutions, and when relevant, among the countries of the region and with other regions in order to avoid duplication of effort and to facilitate the exchange of population information and technology".
 - (ii) General objectives of the secretariat: Add the following at the end of subparagraph (ii): "; to assist Latin American countries in strengthening the national and regional network of governmental, non-governmental and university institutions; to enlarge the number and variety of sectoral, sub-national and local institutions that make use of existing population information for their work, even if their main fields do not fall directly under population; and to improve population information systems to facilitate retrieval, organization and processing of data for utilization by national institutions".

(c) Problem addressed

Add the following new paragraph:

18.80A There is a need for information required by decision-makers and professionals in two general categories, numerical data and written materials, such

^{*} New subprogramme title.

as books, articles, reports and other documentation that could be stored, retrieved and processed efficiently and effectively. Numerical and bibliographic population information are not sufficiently available and accessible to these categories of users to enable them to integrate population information into development planning in their respective fields.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Add the following three new paragraphs:

18.81A The Latin American Demographic Centre (CELADE) will develop or adapt technology for the creation and exploitation of population and multidisciplinary data bases to enhance national population data resources and capabilities. The work will include the utilization of REDATAM data bases in the countries, applications of geographic information system (GIS) technology for the analysis of spatial population and related data, and the development or adaptation of micro-computer-based software systems for facilitating the utilization of population information by secondary users. If cost effective, telecommunications will be used between CELADE and national institutions with extended technical co-operation programmes.

18.81B Regional backstopping bibliographic information services using the CELADE-DOCPAL data base will be provided, taking advantage of new technology, and where feasible, to decentralize retrieval from the data base to individual countries. With the Latin American and Caribbean Population Information Network already initiated, national personnel will be trained in the use of the network technology and standards. User self-training materials for employing the network resources will be prepared as required in co-operation with other ECLAC units and members of the network. Assistance for the establishment of national-level networks linked to the regional network will be provided as well as for the creation of documentation centres in country institutions.

18.81C Regarding the 1990 round of population and housing censuses, CELADE will examine the likely use of the data to be collected for planning purposes and the suitability of using new information technologies for the production of results under differing country conditions. Emphasis will be placed on strengthening census data processing self-reliance, with particular attention to the small Caribbean island countries that did not process their own 1980 censuses.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. TRAINING IN POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT*

(a) <u>Legislative authority</u>

18.82 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: ECLAC resolution 481 (XXI).

(b) Objectives

18.83 (i) Intergovernmental objective: Add the following at the end of subparagraph (i): "; to sensitize decision-makers and politicians to the role played by population in the development of their countries; to strengthen the capabilities of national institutions to carry out

^{*} New subprogramme title.

applied population studies necessary for taking population factors into account in the formulation of development plans and policies; to make population matters a standard topic in the curricula of development-related disciplines taught at national universities; and to improve the capabilities of professionals from other development-related fields to use population data and concepts in their respective fields".

(ii) General objectives of the secretariat: Insert the following in the third line after the words "national officials": , professionals and target groups.

(c) Problem addressed

Add the following new paragraph:

18.84A There is widespread need for human resources training in public institutions in population and related fields because of the scarcity of well-trained teaching personnel. Public sector professionals and government officials require training to improve their global, spatial and sectoral planning capabilities.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Add the following two new paragraphs:

18.85A Training activities under this subprogramme will have a multidisciplinary approach to the subject of the incorporation of the demographic variables into development planning and related matters. For this purpose, it is envisaged that United Nations agencies that deal with global and sectoral planning, such as the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning (ILPES), the Regional Employment Programme for Latin America and the Caribbean (PREALC), Habitat, UNESCO and UNICEF, will collaborate in different activities and short-term thematic workshops. In addition, previously trained professionals will be retrained in the new advances in the field of population and development and special seminars will be organized to sensitize decision-makers and politicians to ensure that population factors are taken into account in development plans and policies.

18.85B Furthermore, increased emphasis will be placed on short-term training activities tailored to specific needs or target-group training. Specific practical workshops will thus be organized at the regional level on clearly defined subjects directly related to sectoral development policies and planning, such as education, health, manpower, housing and agriculture.

SUBPROGRAMME 4. POPULATION DOCUMENTATION AND DATA PROCESSING

It is proposed to <u>delete</u> this subprogramme since related activities have been reformulated within the three revised subprogrammes above.

PROGRAMME 5. POPULATION IN WESTERN ASIA (ESCWA)

SUBPROGRAMME 4. EMPLOYMENT PROMOTION AND MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT

The following text modifies paragraphs 18.112 to 18.115 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

18.112 Add General Assembly resolution 40/105.

(b) Objectives

18.113 <u>Insert</u> in subparagraph (ii) on the second line after the words "economic activity ..." the following: , with special emphasis on women,.

(c) Problem addressed

18.114 <u>Delete</u> the last sentence of the paragraph and <u>add</u> the following: "The present labour situation in the region is affected by newly emerging factors, such as the changing demand for manpower within the region and return migration. This situation requires a revision of existing manpower plans and the formulation of new policies for the implementation of adjusted development plans and programmes for member countries of ESCWA."

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

18.115 Add the following new paragraph:

18.115A There will be a review of the latest methods for manpower planning and development of human capital, the adaptation of these methods to local conditions, and their verification in the field. Policy guidelines will be drawn up for increasing the number and effectiveness of existing co-operatives and for stimulating a well-considered expansion in their fields of activity.

CHAPTER 19. PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

PROGRAMME 1. TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE (DTCD)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION ON MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

The following text modifies paragraph 19.8.

(a) Legislative authority

19.8 Add the following to the paragraph: Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/92.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. MANAGEMENT OF MUTUAL CO-OPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES The following text modifies paragraph 19.13 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

19.13 Add the following to the paragraph: Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/92.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. MANAGEMENT OF SECTORAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES

The following text modifies paragraph 19.18 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

19.18 Add the following to the paragraph: Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/92.

SUBPROGRAMME 4. HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT FOR PUBLIC MANAGEMENT

The following text modifies paragraphs 19.22 to 19.25 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

19.22 Add the following to the end of the paragraph 39/219, 40/213 and Economic and Social Council resolutions 1987/81, 1987/86 and 1987/92.

(b) Objectives

19.23 Add the following to (i): and, in doing so, promote participation of women in public services.

Add the following to (ii): with special emphasis on the role of women managers.

(c) Problem addressed

19.24 Add the following to the paragraph: The role of women in public services is generally limited, both in numbers as well as in terms of representation at managerial levels. Assistance to Governments in this field is needed.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

19.25 <u>Add</u> the following to the paragraph: (e) Development of alternative policies and strategies for increased and responsible participation of women in public services.

SUBPROGRAMME 5. PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT

The following text modifies paragraph 19.26 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

19.26 Add the following to the paragraph: Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/92.

CHAPTER 20. SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

II. CENTRAL PROGRAMMES

PROGRAMME 1. SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT (CSTD)

A. Subprogrammes

The revisions consist of reformulating the four subprogrammes in the existing 1984-1989 medium-term plan (A/37/6), and the regrouping of their objectives and problems addressed under three subprogramme titles only. In addition, a new subprogramme is introduced bringing the total number of subprogrammes to four, i.e. the same number under the existing medium-term plan. As such, the revisions do not reflect basic additions to or modifications of the existing objectives and problems addressed, nor do they involve any deletion. They simply reflect a change in orientation and emphasis deriving from the major decisions of the Intergovernmental Committee on Science and Technology for Development at its eighth and ninth sessions, held in June 1986 and July/August 1987, respectively. These decisions relate mainly to the creation and strengthening of endogenous capacities in science and technology and they request the Centre to strengthen its activities connected with the Advance Technology Alert System (ATAS) and to provide effective information systems.

In essence, the revisions could be considered as a reformulated version of the objectives and problems in the existing medium-term plan, regrouped in a manner that would better reflect the work of the Centre. They are meant to replace the four existing subprogrammes and provide the basis for the strategy to be followed during the 1990-1991 period.

SUBPROGRAMME 1. SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY ISSUES AND OPTIONS

The objectives and problems addressed under the newly formulated title have been enlarged to encompass those appearing in the existing 1984-1989 medium-term plan under subprogrammes 1 and 3 of documents A/37/6 and A/39/6 entitled "Policy analysis and research" and "Financing of science and technology for development", respectively. Accordingly, paragraphs 20.15 to 20.29 of A/37/6 and 20.44 to 20.46A of A/39/6 have been revised and replaced as follows:

(a) Legislative authority

Replace paragraphs 20.15 and 20.16 of A/37/6 and 20.44 of A/39/6 by the following:

20.15 The legislative authority for this subprogramme derives from General Assembly resolutions 34/218, section III, paragraph 3, which gives the generic mandate of the Centre, and section II, paragraph 5, which states the functions of the Intergovernmental Committee for Science and Technology for Development for which the Centre is to give substantive programme support. Its authority also derives from General Assembly resolutions 37/244, section II A and C, 41/183 and 42/192. In addition, the mandate for this subprogramme is also derived from the Intergovernmental Committee's resolutions 1 (II), 5 (II), 2 (III), 3 (III), 6 (VI), 4 (VIII), 6 (VIII) and 1 (IX).

(b) Objectives

Replace subparagraphs 20.17 (i), (ii) and (iii) of A/37/6 and 20.45 (i) and (ii) of A/39/6 by the following:

20.16 The objectives of this subprogramme are:

- (i) Intergovernmental objective: to strengthen the endogenous scientific and technological capacities of Member States, in particular the developing countries, and to formulate recommendations on priorities in the implementation of the Vienna Programme of Action on Science and Technology for Development at the national and regional levels; to promote mobilization of financial and other resources towards full integration of science and technology in national development; to promote optimum mobilization of resources of organizations and bodies of the United Nations system to carry out the activities of the Vienna Programme of Action; and to provide specific policy guidance and priorities for activities of the Fund for Science and Technology for Development within the framework of the Vienna Programme of Action.
- General objective of the secretariat: to provide substantive support to the Intergovernmental Committee and other bodies concerned, including the Advisory Committee on Science and Technology for Development, in the formulation and implementation of policies and plans designed to enhance the endogenous capacity of developing countries in the field of science and technology for development; to translate the global and general recommendations of the Committee into activities oriented towards specific national and regional needs, which could result in priority investment in science and technology; to assist in the elaboration of mechanisms for effective mobilization of human and financial resources of financing for science and technology at the national, subregional and regional levels as an integral part of endogenous capacity building in the context of the Vienna Programme of Action; and to maintain a working relationship with the United Nations Fund in the implementation of the Intergovernmental Committee's resolutions on priority programmes for endogenous capacity building and follow-up to the substantive themes considered by the Committee.
- (iii) Time-limited subsidiary objectives of the secretariat: (1) At the request of Member States, to undertake studies in co-operation with their designated national institutions to develop policies for enhancing endogenous capacity building in science and technology in accordance with national needs, resource endowments and development priorities; (2) to undertake policy issues and options studies and research on substantive themes selected by the Intergovernmental Committees in the context of priorities in the implementation of the Vienna Programme of Action; (3) to assist Member States in developing policies to establish concrete links between research and development and the production system; (4) to promote innovation in technology, including blending of emerging technologies in traditional sectors; (5) to continue co-operation with international funding bodies, including regional development banks and funding agencies in industrially-developed countries in support of endogenous capacity building in science and technology for development; and (6) to co-operate with the United Nations Fund on pilot studies for

endogenous capacity building in selected Member States on the role of science and technology in national development in accordance with policy guidance and priorities set by the Intergovernmental Committee.

(c) Problem addressed

Replace paragraphs 20.18 of A/37/6 and 20.46 of A/39/6 by the following:

20.17 Current and anticipated innovations in science and technology will profoundly affect the process of socio-economic development in the coming decade. They will intensify the challenge and the opportunity to harness effectively science and technology to meet critical developmental needs in national economies, and will constitute one of the most critical elements of developmental planning and execution. They will necessitate accelerating the development of endogenous technological capability, upon which the United Nations activities must properly be focused. Appropriate mobilization of human and financial resources at the national, regional and international levels to achieve the main objective of the Vienna Programme of Action would be essential.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Replace paragraphs 20.19 to 20.29 of A/37/6 and 20.46A of A/39/6 by the following:

20.18 On the basis of the decisions of the Intergovernmental Committee, in particular those relating to the follow-up to the End of Decade Review in 1989, the Centre will, at the invitation of interested member States: (1) further undertake pilot studies for endogenous capacity building in selected countries to assist national efforts towards effective utilization of science and technology for development, including blending of technologies in small and medium enterprises; (2) to provide follow-up to Intergovernmental Committee recommendations on priority areas, such as specific science and technology programmes for Africa, and the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women in the Field of Science and Technology for Development; (3) to continue to provide substantive secretariat support to the Advisory Committee on Science and Technology for Development, its ask forces and panels of specialists; (4) to continue to undertake studies in co-operation with the Advisory Committee on Science and Technology for Decelopment, on substantive themes to be considered by the Intergovernmental Committee; (5) to assist member States in the conceptualization of science and technology policy issues and options in the mobilization of human and financial resources, including fiscal incentives and disincentives and training and education; (6) to co-operate with the United Nations Fund for Science and Technology for Development, regional development banks, international and, as appropriate, national funding agencies in the launching of pilot studies on endogenous capacity building; and (7) to co-operate with UNDP, as appropriate, in the conceptualization of the indicative planning figure (IPF) programme contents towards more effective integration of endogenous capacity building in science and technology for development.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. CO-ORDINATION AND HARMONIZATION OF ACTIVITIES OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM

The reformulated title emphasizes the aspects of enhancing endogenous scientific and technological capabilities of Member States as part of the strategy for the 1990-1991 period. Accordingly, paragraphs 20.30 to 20.43 in the existing 1984-1989 medium-term plan (A/37/6) have been replaced as follows:

(a) Legislative authority

Replace paragraphs 20.30 and 20.31 of A/37/6 by the following:

- 20.19 The legislative authority for this subprogramme derives from General Assembly resolution 34/218, section II, paragraphs 3 and 4, which define the generic mandate of the Centre; section II, paragraph 5, subparagraphs (a), (b) and (e); and section IV, paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, which define, respectively, the responsibilities of the Intergovernmental Committee and of the Director-General; it also derives authority from General Assembly resolution 42/192.
- 20.20 Legislative authority also derives from the resolutions of the Intergovernmental Committee 1 (II), subparagraphs (c), (d) and (f) of the operative part; 5 (II), paragraph 2; 2 (III), paragraphs 2, 3, 4 and 10; 1 (IV), paragraphs 3 and 4; 3 (IV), paragraphs 3 and 4; 1 (V), 4 (VII), paragraphs 10 and 11; 1 (VIII), paragraphs 2 and 6; 4 (VIII), paragraph 1; 1 (IX), part I, paragraphs 2 and 5; and 4 (IX).

(b) Objectives

Replace subparagraphs 20.32 (i), (ii) and (iii) of A/37/6 by the following:

- 20.21 The objectives of this subprogramme are:
 - (i) Intergovernmental objective: to strengthen the role of the organizations of the United Nations system in the integration of science and technology for development by providing policy guidelines for the harmonization of policies, to improve the linkages between the organizations towards co-ordinated implementation of the Vienna Programme of A tion, and to monitor the science and technology activities and programmes of the organizations of the system with a view to optimum mobilization of resources to carry out the implementation of the Vienna Programme of Action;
 - (ii) General objective of the secretariat: (1) To assist the Intergovernmental Committee to formulate and implement guidelines for the harmonization of policies, plans and procedures of the organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system in regard to scientific and technological activities; (2) to assist the Director-General in the co-ordination at the Secretariat level of science and technology activities within the United Nations system;
 - (iii) Time-limited subsidiary objectives of the secretariat: (1) To implement the decisions of the Intergovernmental Committee on specific measures to enhance more effective co-ordination of science and technology activities of the system, in particular, through the ACC Task Force on Science and Technology for Development; (2) to promote better co-ordination at the country level in support of the UNDP Resident Co-ordinator through impact studies of the activities of the organizations of the United Nations system at the country level, so as to ensure more effective concerted action in assisting member States to develop their endogenous science and technology capacity.

(c) Problem addressed

Replace paragraphs 20.33 and 20.34 of A/37/6 by the following:

20.22 The contributions of organizations of the United Nations system towards the development and strengthening of endogenous capacity in science and technology for development, as recognized in the Vienna Programme of Action, would require an effective monitoring and frequent assessment of their impact on national development. Reviews at the country level of the impact of the contributions by the United Nations system is therefore indispensable. The results of such reviews will be discussed at meetings of the ACC Task Force on Science and Technology for Development for better co-ordination and harmonization of the concerted efforts of the United Nations system to assist member States in strengthening their endogenous capacity.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Replace paragraphs 20.35 to 20.43 of A/37/6 by the following:

20.23 Decisions by the Intergovernmental Committee on policy guidelines on the activities of the United Nations system in science and technology, to be taken at its tenth session in 1989, will be implemented through: (a) joint efforts with interested organizations in effective work programmes for enhancing the endogenous scientific and technological capabilities of member States; (b) inter-agency country reviews, upon request by member States and subject to availability of funds, to be undertaken in co-operation with UNDP resident co-ordinators and interested organizations of the United Nations system; and (c) preparation of reports, in consultation with the ACC Task Force on Science and Technology for Development, to the Intergovernmental Committee on specific issues of co-ordination (which the Committee has now agreed to include as a regular agenda item at its future sessions) for its consideration and decision.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. ADVANCE TECHNOLOGY ALERT SYSTEM (ATAS)

This is a new subprogramme. The topic, however, is not completely new since it figured as part of the strategy for the period 1984-1989 under subprogramme 1 of the existing medium-term plan. It has been emphasized and emplified under this new subprogramme in response to the decisions of the Intergovernmental Committee.

(a) Legislative authority

20.24 The legislative authority for this subprogramme derives from General Assembly resolution 34/218, section III, paragraph 3, which gives the generic mandate of the Centre, and section II, paragraph 5 (g), which sets out the responsibility of the Intergovernmental Committee on arrangements for the early identification and assessment of new scientific and technological developments for which the Centre is to give substantive support, as well as on resolutions and decisions on the ATAS programm, taken by the Intergovernmental Committee on Science and Technology for Development: resolutions 7 (V); 4 (VI), paragraph 3; 4 (VII), paragraph 7; decision 1 (VII); 4 (VIII), paragraph 2; and 1 (IX), Part I, paragraph 1 (b).

(b) Objectives

20.25 The onjectives of this subprogramme are:

- (i) <u>Intergovernmental objective</u>: initiating arrangements for the early identification and assessment of new scientific and technological developments that may positively or adversely affect the development process for strengthening the scientific and technological endogenous capacities of the developing countries;
- (ii) General objective of the secretariat: to translate the general recommendations of the Intergovernmental Committee into country and region-specific programmes designed to develop and enhance the capacity of developing countries to assess effectively the implications of new and emerging technologies and to develop policy options;
- (iii) Time-limited subsidiary objectives of the secretariat: (1) to disseminate, through the ATAS bulletins and other means, information relevant to both developed and developing countries on the impact of new and emerging technologies on development; (2) to focus on enhancement of capacity for science and technology assessment and forecast; (3) to provide advisory services, especially through the Technology Assessment Network (TAN), to interested member States.

(c) Problem addressed

20.26 The rapid developments in new and emerging technologies, such as microelectronics, biotechnology, materials and new energy technologies, have made it necessary to provide ways and means of assisting policy-makers not only in their awareness of the impact of such technologies on national developments, but also in their capacity to assess and to find appropriate options in accordance with national needs, development objectives and priorities.

(d) Strategy for the period 1990-1991

20.27 The Centre will critically select topics for the next issues of the <u>ATAS</u> <u>Bulletin</u> to ensure coverage of subjects of relevance both to developed and developing countries in the area of NEST (new and emerging science and technologies). Regionalization of the application of topics selected for issues in past bulletins will be promoted through regional meetings. Upon request, advisory services to member States, in particular, through the TAN (Technology Assessment Network) of the ATAS programme, will continue to be provided. Most of the above will be subject to the availability of funds.

SUBPROGRAMME 4. INFORMATION SERVICES

The reformulated title stresses the information aspects of this subprogramme as per the resolutions of the Intergovernmental Committee. It is worth noting that dissemination of information constituted an important element of the objectives and strategy of subprogramme 4 in the existing 1984-1989 medium-term plan. The present revision emphasises the strengthening of the technology information infrastructure as a basis for the 1990-1991 work strategy. Accordingly, paragraphs 20.47 to 20.50 in A/37/6 have been revised and replaced as follows:

(a) Legislative authority

Replace paragraph 20.47 of A/37/6 by the following:

20.28 The legislative authority for this subprogramme derives from General Assembly resolution 34/218, section III, paragraph 3, which gives the generic mandate of the Centre, and from the resolutions of the Intergovernmental Committee specifically relating to science and technology information for development: 2 (VII), and 1 (IX), Part I, paragraph 2 (b).

(b) Objective

Replace subparagraphs 20.48 (i) and (ii) of A/37/6 by the following:

- 20.29 The objectives of this subprogramme are:
 - (i) Intergovernmental objective: to assist member States in developing national science and technology information infrastructure, in order to ensure easy and speedy access of developing countries to existing relevant information on science and technology for development, including basic scientific and technical literature through international co-operative programmes, leading to an international science and technology information system, based on development of national science and technology information systems;
 - (ii) General objective f the secretariat: to assist interested member States in assessing their science and technology information policies towards strengthening their science and technology information infrastructure;
 - (iii) Time-limited subsidiary objectives of the secretariat: upon request by member States: (1) to provide advisory services in the development and strengthening of national science and technology information systems. including networking of data bases; (2) to disseminate information speedily for the benefit of policy-makers through the quarterly publication of **Update** covering information of scientific and technological developments, including those on international co-operative projects, and through video programmes on successful and unsuccessful examples of the application of science and technology for development in member States; (3) to facilitate access to basic information on science and technology, including periodicals, monographs and other publications; and (4) to enhance effective use of existing United Nations system's data bases by member States and strengthen links between existing data bases of the United Nations system, through a <u>Directory of Data Bases</u> available in member States on science and technology activities of the United Nations system. Much of the above will be subject to the availability of resources.

(c) <u>Problem addressed</u>

Replace paragraph 20.49 of A/37/6 by the following:

20.30 Since the adoption of the Vienna Programme of Action, it has become imperative for developing countries to strengthen their science and technology information infrastructure to enable them to take advantage of the vast pool of information existing in developed as well as developing countries. In view of this

rapid expansion, and, conversely, obsolescence of technological information, no member State, developing countries in particular, could possibly become self-reliant in information needed for its development. Interdependence in scientific and technological information between developed and developing countries on the one hand, and among developing countries, on the other, is therefore a key element in devising a strategy for an effective and sound development of national infrastructure for science and technology information.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Replace subparagraphs 20.50 (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) and (v) of A/37/6 by the following:

20.31 In accordance with the decisions of the Intergovernmental Committee, efforts will be made to provide member States, subject to availability of resources, with (i) advisory services in the conceptualization of science and technology information policy issues and options, and (ii) basic scientific and technological information literature, in particular, to least-developed countries; and (iii) quarterly publication, <u>Update</u>, as well as video presentation of successful experience of member States in the application of specific science and technology policy options for development. In accordance with the conclusions and recommendations of the ACC Task Force on Science and Technology for Development on the need for easy and speedy access to information, the Centre will continue to make available to member States, upon request, directories of data bases available in member States on science and technology activities of organizations within the United Nations system.

PROGRAMME 2. SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (UNCTAD)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. FORMULATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF TECHNOLOGY POLICIES

The following text modifies paragraphs 20.53 to 20.55 and 20.57 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6.

(a) Legislative authority

20.53 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: Committee on Transfer of Technology resolutions 28 (V), and 31 (VI), and the Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD, paragraph 105, (3), (19) (ii) and (24).

(b) Objectives *

- 20.54 (i) <u>Intergovernmental objectives</u>: <u>Add</u> the following at the end of subparagraph 20.54 (i): "and through an improvement in the understanding of the relationship between technological change, production and trade".
- (ii) <u>General objectives of the secretariat</u>: <u>Insert</u> the following in subparagraph 20.54 (ii) after the words "technological transformation of developing countries, including measures": arising from the impact of technological change on their trade and development and those measures.

(c) Problems addressed

20.55 Add the following after the first sentence of the paragraph: "New and emerging technologies are having a major impact on the trade and development of these countries. There is a need to analyse possible ways in which these countries can benefit from these technologies or overcome their negative effects, as well as the need to improve the understanding of the relationship between technological change, production and trade".

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

20.57 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: "In this context, the studies will focus on the analysis of the implications of technological change for trade and development, with respect to commodities, manufactures and services, of developing countries, as well as on the main factors affecting the volume, patterns and mechanisms of international technology flows in a changing economic environment".

SUBPROGRAMME 2. LEGAL POLICIES

The following text modifies paragraphs 20.59 to 20.62 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

20.59 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: "Committee on Transfer of Technology resolutions 28 (V), and 31 (VI) and the Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD, paragraph 105, (9), (19) (ii) and (24)".

(b) Objectives

- 20.60 (i) <u>Intergovernmental objectives</u>: <u>Add</u> the following at the end of subparagraph 20.60 (i): "and to encourage the compatibility and consonance of policies in the area of technology with the international trading system".
- (ii) General objectives of the secretariat: Add the following at the end of subparagraph 20.60 (ii): "; and to clarify the impact of national legislation on transfer of technology, and the impact of technological and commercial changes on the legislation".

(c) Problems addressed

20.61 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: "There is also a need to clarify the relationships between the legal environment for the transfer, development and protection of technology, on the one hand, and rapid technological and commercial changes, on the other, and to encourage their compatibility and consonance".

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

- 20.62 Add the following at the end of the paragraph as subparagraphs (6) and (7):
 - (6) Preparation of studies relating to national legislation and policies on transfer and development of technology and on industrial property;

(7) Technical co-operation to developing countries, on request, in the context of the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations on issues relevant to policies affecting technology;

SUBPROGRAMME 3. ADVISORY SERVICE ON TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY

The following text $\underline{\text{modifies}}$ paragraphs 20.63, 20.64 and 20.66 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6.

(a) Legislative authority

20.63 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: Committee on Transfer of Technology resolutions 28 (V), and 31 (VI), Trade and Development Board resolution 308 (XXX) and the Final Act of the seventh session of UNCTAD.

(b) Objectives

20.64 (i) <u>Intergovernmental objectives</u>: <u>Insert</u> the following in subparagraph 20.64 (i) after the words "technological transformation": and promoting the acquisition, transfer and development of technology with a view to revitalizing development, growth and international trade;

Add the following at the end of subparagraph 26.64 (i): "improvement of access to and use of results from United Nations system-funded research and development as well as the effective utilization of technologies in the public domain; the development of the human resources base and skills in the developing countries through training and retraining programmes and preparation of operational tools";

(ii) General objectives of the secretariat: Add the following to subparagraph 20.64 (ii) after "collectively,": as well as to ensure the dissemination of information and exchange of experiences;

Add the following at the end of subparagraph 20.64 (ii): ", revitalizing their development and growth, and improving their involvement in international trade".

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

20.66 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: "Particular attention will be given to the diverse and changing needs of developing countries and to enhancing the responsiveness of UNCTAD in meeting the increasing needs of these countries for technical and operational assistance, advice and training in the field of technology, as a contribution to the revitalization of development, growth and international trade. Activities will focus on the interdependent areas of human resources development, institution building, improving operational mechanisms and promoting expanded co-operation among developing countries in the transfer and development of technology. Emphasis will be placed on new opportunities and methods of training and retraining, exchange of information and expertise among countries, including the preparation of operational tools (manuals, handbooks, etc.). Resources and financing will have to be mobilized more actively.

CHAPTER 21. SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS

PROGRAMME 1. GLOBAL SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT ISSUES (CSDHA)

With the adoption by the Economic and Social Council of the system-wide medium-term plan for women and development in Council resolution 1987/86 of 8 July 1987, it has been necessary to incorporate revisions in the three existing subprogrammes (3, 4 and 5) dealing with the advancement of women. In addition, a new subprogramme (5 A) entitled "Monitoring, review and appraisal of the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies" is properly to be added to the medium-term plan.

The following paragraphs <u>complement</u> those already included in A/37/6, A/37/6/Add.1, A/39/6 and A/41/6.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. ANALYSIS OF THE RIGHTS AND THE STATUS OF WOMEN

The following text <u>modifies</u> paragraphs 21.17 to 21.19 and 21.21a of A/37/6, as revised in A/41/6.

(a) Legislative authority

21.17 Add General Assembly resolutions 40/108, 40/204 and 41/108; Economic and Social Council resolutions 1987/3, paragraphs 11 and 12; 1987/19, paragraph 3, 1987/86; Commission on the Status of Women resolution 2 (1987), paragraphs 1 and 2, and the system-wide medium-term plan for women and development, subprogrammes 1.1 and 1.2.

(b) Objectives

21.18 Insert the following paragraph 21.18A after paragraph 21.18:

21.18A. <u>Intergovernmental objectives</u>:

- (i) To achieve the full observance of the equal rights of women and the elimination of <u>de jure</u> and <u>de facto</u> discrimination;
- (ii) To achieve significant progress in the ratification of international conventions concerning the status of women, particularly the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women;
- (iii) To achieve the implementation of international standards set forth in international conventions, declarations and recommendations as they pertain to women, particularly the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, including the Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women;
- (iv) To bring national legislation into conformity with international standards especially the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women;
 - (v) To foster recognition of the value of maternity and the common responsibility of men and women in bringing up children;

- (vi) To promote special measures designed to redress the imbalance imposed by centuries of discrimination by eliminating prejudice and customary practices based on beliefs about the inferiority of women or on stereotyped roles for men and women;
- (vii) To achieve equity in the appointment, election and promotion of women to high-level posts, including those with managerial responsibility, in executive, legislative and judiciary branches of government and in political parties.

General objectives of the secretariat:

- (i) To strengthen the commitment to establish, modify, expand or enforce a comprehensive legal base for equality of women and men;
- (ii) To increase awareness of Governments and the public of international standards, especially the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, concerning the status of women and to promote compliance with those standards in national legislation and policy;
- (iii) To facilitate reporting by States parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and review by the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women;
 - (iv) To provide advisory and training services to all developing countries that request them in order to bring national legislation into conformity with international standards:
 - (v) To complete guidelines on the study of sex stereotyping at the national level and on the development of techniques and action programmes to combat it;
- (vi) To establish regular monitoring of the extent and level of women's participation in decision-making in the public sector at the national and international levels and of the provision of and access to the means that will enable women effectively to assume responsibilities in decision-making processes.

(c) Problem addressed

Insert the following paragraph 21.19A after paragraph 21.19:

21.19A Despite progress made in repealing discriminatory laws and enacting new legislation, further measures are necessary for its implementation and enforcement to guarantee equal rights for women and men. Member States need comprehensive information on existing international standards pertaining to the status of women and policy measures based on the analysis of current discriminatory legislative provisions and practices in the social, economic and political spheres. While many countries have ratified or acceded to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, others have not done so. In addition, the backlog on the reporting of the Convention means that many States parties can benefit from assistance in the preparation of their national reports. In addition, many Governments are undertaking innovative legal and administrative steps to

eliminate <u>de' jure</u> and <u>de facto</u> discrimination that are not widely known and that could benefit other countries facing similar problems. Finally, it is clear that women's access to decision-making is inadequate, but the extent of the problem and the progress being made at national levels to overcome it are not systematically known.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Insert the following paragraph 21.21B after paragraph 21.21A:

21.21B For the period 1990-1991, work will centre on preparing for and servicing meetings of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women and of States parties, facilitating preparation of reports, preparing for the priority theme discussions on equality in political participation and decision-making and vulnerable women, including migrant women, and their follow-up as well as the preparations of material for the priority theme in 1993 on elimination of de jure and de facto discrimination against women.

SUBPROGRAMME 4. INTEGRATION OF WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT AT NATIONAL, REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LEVELS

The following text modifies paragraphs 21.22 to 21.24 and 21.26 of A/37/6, as revised in A/41/6.

(a) Legislative authority

21.22 Add General Assembly resolutions 40/108, 40/204, paragraph 3; Economic and Social Council resolutions 1987/24, paragraphs 1 to 4, 1987/86, paragraph 1; Commission on the Status of Women resolution 4 (1987), paragraphs (b), (c) and (d), the system-wide medium-term plan for women and development, subprogrammes 3.4, 4.2, 5.3, 6.1 and 6.4.

(b) Objectives

21.23 Insert the following paragraph 21.23A after paragraph 21.23:

21.23A <u>Intergovernmental objectives</u>:

- (i) To formulate national plans, programmes and projects based on a comprehensive analysis of the interrelationship of factors linking women and development in terms of both women's contribution to development and the impact of development on women, taking into account the effects of emerging global economic trends on women;
- (ii) To apply innovative methods of research and analysis to emerging women's issues as a basis for developing policies and programmes at the national, regional and interregional levels to promote the advancement of women and greater equality between men and women;
- (iii) To institutionalize the participation of women in their decision-making related to development;
 - (iv) To develop social infrastructure for the care and education of children of working parents in order to reduce their double burden.

General objectives of the secretariat:

- (i) To complete a study of women's roles in development over time and in different cultures and regions;
- (ii) To assist all national machineries and regional and national research institutions in studying the effects of global and regional development trends on women's roles in development;
- (iii) To complete reports on the interrelationships between the goal of development and the goals of equality and peace as elaborated in the Forward-looking Strategies for the intergovernmental bodies dealing with these issues;
 - (iv) To develop and co-ordinate system-wide approaches to women and development, particularly in updating the <u>World Survey on the Role of</u> <u>Women in Development; 6</u>/
 - (v) To develop methods for cross-sectoral and multidisciplinary research on women's status in the development process;
 - (vi) To establish a global information and documentation service on research on women and development;
- (vii) To encourage international non-governmental organizations to involve women in their functions and to encourage women's organizations and all appropriate governmental bodies in various countries to involve women in discussions and studies on various aspects of decision-making for development;
- (viii) To complete initial proposals for new strategies to meet the challenge of changes in the family, in women's roles and in relations between men and women, and to promote the application of international norms and standards for the provision of social infrastructure for the care of dependents.

(c) Problem addressed

21.24 Insert after paragraph 21.24 as paragraph 21.24A the following:

21.24A The full participation of women as agents and beneficiaries in development requires accurate knowledge of their role and potential and of successful policies to achieve it. While considerable progress has been made in providing information about this through such vehicles as the World Survey on the Role of Women in Development and its first update, the studies to date merely provide a backdrop for the more detailed analysis which can lead to the elaboration of concrete policy measures. Information needs about the interrelationships between the goals of equality and peace, about the effects of sharing parental duties on women's participation, and about the participation of women in economic decision-making are some major areas where information needs have been identified. In addition, global knowledge of the role of women requires taking advantage of all available research, particularly that collected by national machineries. The need for a functioning research and information network has already been stressed.

- (d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991
- 21.26 Insert the following paragraph 21.26A after paragraph 21.26:
- 21.26A During the period 1990-1991, work will continue on the preparation of priority themes for 1991 and 1992, including expert groups and seminars as appropriate and as may be requested. Support will be given to national machineries in the form of exchange of research results and conceptual, planning and information gathering work for the second update of the World Survey on the Role of Women in Development will be undertaken.

SUBPROGRAMME 5. PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN PROMOTING INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND CO-OPERATION

The _ollowing text modifies paragraphs 21.27 to 21.30 of A/37/6/Add.1, as revised in A/41/6.

- (a) Legislative authority
- 21.27 Add General Assembly resolution 40/108 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/24, annex, and the system-wide medium-term plan for women and development, subprogrammes 3.4, 4.1, 4.2 and 6.1.
- (b) Objectives
- 21.28 Insert after paragraph 21.28 the following paragraph 21.28A:
- 21.28A <u>Intergovernmental objectives</u>:
 - (i) To implement provisions of the Declaration on the Participation of Women in Promoting International Peace and Co-operation;
 - (ii) To prevent and reduce family violence;
 - (iii) To increase the number of women in decision-making posts concerned with foreign policy and in high-ranking bilateral and multilateral diplomatic posts;
 - (iv) To encourage groups, associations, co-operatives, trade unions and other non-governmental organizations to promote women's interests and to institutionalize the participation of women in their decision-making related to peace.

General objectives of the secretariat:

- (i) To complete initial proposals for new strategies to meet the challenge of changes in the family, in women's roles and in relations between men and women, aiming at the creation of an environment that fosters equality, social justice, respect for the dignity of individuals, and peaceful resolution of conflicts;
- (ii) To encourage women's organizations and all appropriate governmental bodies in various countries to involve women in discussion and studies on various aspects of decision-making for development, which is inseparably

linked to equality and peace, in order to foster understanding and friendly relations between countries and peoples;

- (iii) To complete reports on the interrelationships between the goal of development and the goals of equality and peace;
 - (iv) To complete a review of international instruments and elaborate guidelines relating to assistance to women in conflict situations.

(c) Problem addressed

21.29 Insert after paragraph 21.29 the following paragraph 21.29A:

21.29A The issue of peace is inextricably connected to the issues of equality and development. The interrelationships must be carefully explored in order to ensure the consistency of policies. Among issues on which more information and analysis is required is the role of women in decision-making for peace, policy measures relating to violence in society - including the family, and various measures to promote disarmament and peaceful resolution of disputes among nations.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Insert after paragraph 21.30 the following paragraph 21.30A:

21.30A Work on peace at the international level will centre on women's participation in decision-making on peace and disarmament, which is the priority theme for the Commission on the Status of Women in 1992. In addition, efforts to forward education for peace, as a follow-up to the priority theme on peace discussion in 1988, will include an effort to develop a co-ordinated effort within the United Nations system, especially through regional focal points (either intergovernmental organizations or non-governmental organizations) as may be guided by the Commission recommendations. Work will continue to examine the issues of women in conflict situations, as follow-up to the 1990 priority theme and in relation to parallel issues under the theme of equality, such as vulnerable women. In terms of the issues of violence against women, follow-up to the 1988 priority theme will be undertaken, including examinations of the relationship between different levels of violence.

Insert after paragraph 21.30A the following new paragraphs 21.30B, 21.30C,
21.30D and 21.30E.

SUBPROGRAMME 5A. MONITORING, REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NAIROBI FORWARD-LOOKING STRATEGIES*

(a) Legislative authority

21.30B General Assembly resolution 40/108; Economic and Social Council resolutions 1987/18, paragraphs 1, 4, and 1987/22, annex; Commission on the Status of Women resolution 4 (1987), paragraph (e), the system-wide medium-term plan for women and development, subprogrammes 5.2, 6.2, 6.3; and the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women, section V: International and regional co-operation.

^{*} New subprogramme.

(b) Objectives

21.30C The objectives of this subprogramme are:

- (i) Intergovernmental objectives: to monitor the overall implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies by undertaking comprehensive reviews of action taken, resources allocated and progress achieved in developing and implementing international and national policy guidelines for the advancement of women; to establish and strengthen national machineries and mechanisms for planning and policy-making for the advancement of women; and to strengthen networks for the exchange of information on women among Governments, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, researchers and activists, and to promote more effective communication and co-operation between them;
- General objectives of the secretariat: to complete three rounds of (ii) monitoring and the 1990 and 1995 review and appraisals of the overall implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies and that of the present and future priority themes decided by the Commission on the Status of Women; to establish a system for collecting and updating information from countries and the United Nations system for the review are appraisal of national experience in implementing the For ard-looking St.ategies and the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women; to provide assistance to all countries requesting it in establishing and strengthening national machineries, particularly in developing their monitoring and review and appraisal functions; to prepare and disseminate quidelines on the establishment and maintenance of national machineries to promote the full integration of $^{``}$ women in development; to establish an information system covering statistical and bibliographic information, and to establish and strengther networks for the dissemination of information through newsletters and other media and organization of meetings of non-governmental organizations.

(c) Problem addressed

21.30D The impetus and relevance of the Forward-looking Strategies requires a careful effort at monitoring, reviewing and appraising progress. Without this effort, the importance of advancement of women in public policy and in concrete programmes might be reduced, ineffective programmes perpetuated and new, promising initiatives might go unnoticed by the international community. The basis for monitoring, review and appraisal must be national machineries for the advancement of women, whose level of development is uneven and who currently lack systematic means to exchange information. The flow of information between national and international levels is similarly uneven and unsystematic.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

21.30E During the biennium 1990-1991, the first review and appraisal of the Forward-looking Strategies will be supported, at least one training course for national machineries will be organized, 16 issues of Women News will be produced, including sections on activities of national machinery, as well as six issues on Women 200, including the summaries of the results of the review and appraisal and monitoring rounds.

SUBPROGRAMME 6. YOUTH

The following text modifies paragraph 21.34 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6.

- (d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991
- 21.34 Add the following new paragraph 21.34A after paragraph 21.34:
- 21.34A The United Nations Office at Vienna/Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs, as the focal point for youth matters within the United Nations system, has a major responsibility in promoting, monitoring and appraising the implementation of the Guidelines for Further Planning and Suitable Follow-up in the Field of Youth. The major direction of future work will continue to focus on ensuring an adequate follow-up to the International Youth Year, as well as effective implementation of these Guidelines, which could be utilized as a conceptual framework for developing comprehensive youth policies and programmes. Work will entail: (a) assessing critical issues and emerging trends in the field of youth; (b) promoting efforts at all levels to improve the situation of youth across the globe; (c) ensuring that youth issues and concerns remain an inherent part of the work of the United Nations system and strengthening inter-agency collaboration in the field of youth to ensure complementarity of efforts within the United Nations system, including the regional commissions; (d) ensuring effective co-operation with youth and youth-related organizations; (e) undertaking research analysis on policies and programmes in the field of youth; (f) providing advisory services to countries to assist in the development of long-term integrated national youth policies and programmes, with particular focus on developing and least developed countries, by utilizing the resources of the United Nations Youth Fund; (q) collecting and disseminating pertinent information through a number of publications, newsletters, and the Youth Information Bulletin; and (h) improving channels of communication between the United Nations and youth and youth organizations.

SUBPROGRAMME 7. AGING

The following text modifies paragraph 21.38 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6.

- (d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991
- 21.38 <u>Delete</u> subsection (ii) of paragraph 21.38 and <u>replace</u> it by the following subsection (ii) and <u>add</u> new subsection (vi):
 - (ii) Reports to intergovernmental bodies will be prepared and studies dealing with social and economic implications of population on aging will be undertaken. In addition, a Second Review and Appraisal on the Implementation of the International Plan of Action on Aging will be carried out in 1989;
 - (vi) Establishment of institutes and centres for fulfilling the training needs of developing countries in implementing the Plan of Action.

SUBPROGRAMME 8. DISABLED PERSONS

(b) Objectives

21.40 Add at the end of subparagraph 21.40 (iii) of document A/39/6 the following text:

; to follow-up and implement the recommendations and conclusions of the Global Meeting of Experts to Review Achievements of the United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons at its mid-point; in particular, to begin preparations for the second round of the monitoring of the implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons during the second half of the United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons; to organize a series of technical meetings before 1992; and a global evaluation at the end of the Decade to develop follow-up initiatives for the Decade to the year 2000.

PROGRAMME 2. SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA (ECA)

SUBPROGRAMME 2. SOCIAL PROGRAMMES AND SERVICES*

This subprogramme revises subprogramme 2 entitled "Youth and social welfare" presented in A/37/6, page 454. As such, it <u>modifies</u> paragraphs 21.61 to 21.64 as follows:

(a) Legislative authority

21.61 Add the following: General Assembly resolutions 40/17, paragraphs 1 and 2; 40/31, paragraph 13; 40/32, paragraph 10; 40/33, paragraph 13; 40/34, paragraphs 5 and 9; 40/35, paragraphs 4 and 6; 40/36, paragraph 5; 40/121, paragraphs 4 and 13; 40/122, paragraph 2; 41/97, paragraphs 2 and 4; 41/98, paragraphs 1 and 2; 41/99; 41/106; 41/107, paragraph 2; 41/127, paragraph 8; 41/149, paragraph 9; Economic and Social Council resolutions 1985/35, paragraphs 1 and 3; 1986/13, paragraph 2; 1986/10; 1986/11; 1986/12; 1986/16, paragraphs 1, 2 and 3; 1987/53, paragraph 12; ECA Conference of Ministers resolutions 494 (XIX) and 609 (XXII).

(b) Objectives

21.62 Add to subparagraphs (i) and (ii) the following:

- (i) , including more balanced and effective participation of youth in development, the full participation and integration of disabled persons in socio-economic life, the prevention of crime, juvenile delinquency and drug abuse and illicit trafficking and the administration of criminal justice;
- (ii) ; strengthening, implementation and evaluation of appropriate social programmes, strategies and services for the effective participation of youth in development, the participation and integration of disabled persons in social and economic life, and the prevention of crime, juvenile delinquency and drug abuse and illicit trafficking, and the administration of criminal justice in the context of development.

^{*} New subprogramme title.

(c) Problems addressed

Add the following two new paragraphs:

21.63A The rising rate of crime, including new forms of crime such as drug abuse and illicit trafficking, is increasingly being recognized as a disruptive element in the economic and social well-being of African countries. Crime impairs the quality of life, interferes and even nullifies some of the development gains hard won by African countries, resulting in heavy economic and social costs. Some forms of crime, particularly the illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, economic and other similar rimes, have transcended national boundaries and, therefore, require concerted regional and international action.

21.63B The issue of disabled persons is another problem to be addressed. An estimated 50 million cases of disability are found in Africa. Inadequate programmes of primary health care and services, epidemics, malnutrition, hunger and starvation, natural calamities, environmental hazards, various forms of accidents, armed conflicts, civil strifes and wars of liberation have all contributed to the rising number of disabled persons in the region. Appropriate measures aiming at the rehabilitation of disabled persons and equalization of their opportunities are required in order to enhance their participation and integration in the social and economic life of their countries.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

21.64 Add the following to the paragraph: "A Namber of activities will be undertaken, including the following: action-or ented research as a basis for the formulation, implementation and evaluation of effective and relevant social programmes; strategies and services relating to youth, crime prevention, combating drug abuse and illicit trafficking, criminal justice and disabled persons; training courses, workshops, seminars, expert meetings, study tours, internships and meetings as forums for the exchange of ideas and experience and for the formulation of common strategies; support in the establishment and strengthening of appropriate national organizations, associations, co-ordinating bodies and structures; technical advisory services to member States; publication of technical reports, directories and guidelines; promotion of joint strategies and co-operation; technical support to and co-operation with regional institutions such as the African Rehabilitation Institute (ARI) and the African Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders; and publicity and information services.

SUBPROGRAMME 4. SOCIAL POLICY DEVELOPMENT, PLANNING AND INSTITUTION BUILDING*

It is proposed to establish a new subprogramme under this programme, after paragraph 21.68 of A/37/6, as follows:

(a) Legislative authority

21.68A The legislative authority for this subprogramme is: Commission resolutions 423 (XVI) and 601 (XXII), paragraphs 1, 4, 6 and 7 [recommendations of the fourth meeting of the Conference of African Ministers of Social Affairs]; General Assembly

^{*} New subprogramme.

resolutions 40/40, 40/98, paragraphs 1, 2, 4 and 5, 40/100, paragraphs 11, 12, 13, 14 and 17, 41/142, paragraphs 4 and 7, and S-13/2; and Economic and Social Council resolutions 1985/26, 1985/64 and 1987/48.

(b) Objectives

21.68B The objectives of this subprogramme are:

- (i) Intergovernmental objectives: to promote the formulation and implementation of appropriate social policies and strategic plans as integral parts of national development plans, with a view to achieving balanced socio-economic development based on the social principles of equity, participation and social justice; to promote the development of human resource and institutional capabilities for social development planning; and to promote co-operation in social development at the subregional and regional levels;
- (ii) General objectives of the secretariat: to assist the Governments of member States in the identification and analysis of problems facing social development in Africa as a basis for formulating appropriate social policies and strategies; to assist in the development of capabilities in social development planning within the framework of overall socio-economic planning and programming; and to promote technical co-operation among developing African countries in social development.

(c) Problem addressed

21.68C The capability of African countries to pursue the goal of continuous improvement of the standard of living of their socially, economically and culturally diverse populations has been constrained by the inadequacy and fragmentation of national social policies, lack of appropriate skills and expertise in social policy formulation and planning, high population growth rates and scarcity of financial resources, aggravated by the recent economic crisis and external indebtedness. The weak links between the social and economic sectors and sectoral policies have also created numerous imbalances. Against such background, the social impact of the recent economic crisis and of some of the structural adjustment measures adopted by Governments has been particularly severe. The crisis and the measures have aggravated the conditions of poverty, income disparity, unemployment, ill-health and inequitable access to social infrastructures, particularly of poor rural and urban women and children.

21.68D Thus, timely and comprehensive data collection, analysis, situational reviews and the formulation, implementation and monitoring of effective, co-ordinated social development policies and programmes are urgently needed.

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21.68E Policy- and action-oriented research and studies will be undertaken to analyse the African social situation and identify its major problems, with a view to assisting member States to formulate and implement appropriate policies, strategic plans and programmes. Technical advisory services and technical co-operation will be rendered to African countries, as well as to governmental and intergovernmental organizations, on modalities for promoting intra-sectoral co-ordination within the various fields of social development and inter-sectoral

linkages between the social sector and the dominant economic sector. Assistance will also be given in improving and strengthening human resources and institutional capabilities in social policy development, and in promoting co-operation and exchange of information through meetings, study tours, seminars and workshops.

PROGRAMME 3. SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN (ECLAC)

SUBPROGRAMME 2: INTEGRATION OF WOMEN INTO DEVELOPMENT

The following modifies paragraphs 21.75 to 21.78 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

21.75 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: ECLAC resolution 483 (XXI); Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/86; and General Assembly resolutions 40/105 and 40/108.

(b) Objectives

- 21.76 (i) Intergovernmental objectives: Replace the text of subparagraph (i) with the following: to bring about the equal, effective and total participation of women in economic, social, cultural, legal and political development, ensuring that the roles of women in the development process are fully taken into account in national development plans within the context of the Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women.
 - (ii) General objectives of the secretariat: Add the following at the end of subparagraph (ii): ", taking special account of those mechanisms which will ensure meeting the needs of the more vulnerable groups of women".

(c) Problem addressed

21.77 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: "Many obstacles still remain, impeding achievement of equality between men and women and their full and effective participation in all levels of decision-making".

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Add the following new paragraph:

21.78A Interdisciplinary and multisectoral research will be undertaken on the role of women in several aspects of the development process, which will contain specific action-oriented recommendations within the context of the Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women, particularly in regard to the chapter on international and regional co-operation.

PROGRAMME 4. SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN WESTERN ASIA (ESCWA)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND WELFARE*

The following text modifies paragraphs 21.81 to 21.84 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

- 21.81 Add General Assembly resolutions 40/30, 40/31, 40/100 and 41/174; ESCWA resolutions 156 (XIV) and 157 (XIV).
- 21.82 Add at end of subparagraph (i) the following: ", especially the disabled; to formulate policies and strategies aimed at improved monitoring of social and human resources development with special emphasis on integrated social indicators in the area of health, nutrition, social defence, social security, social welfare, and particular social groups";

Add at end of subparagraph (ii) the following: "; to promote human resources development through an integrated approach to social development and welfare";

Insert in subparagraph (iii) after the words "involvement in decision-making ..." the following: the development and monitoring of social indicators (1988-1990), survey of ESCWA social situation (1991), review of national policies and programmes of social security systems in the region and of social welfare (1988-1991), assessment of situation and services for the disabled, formulation of appropriate assistance (1988-1991).

(c) Problem addressed

21.83 Add at end of paragraph the following: "and welfare, with special emphasis on the requirements for the reintegration of the disabled into society. The tendency to separate the social and economic dimensions in development projects stemming from administrative and technical obstacles often result in duplication and resources waste".

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Add the following new paragraph:

21.84A A multidisciplinary approach on appropriate indicators on social integration in the ESCWA region will be developed, and studies on the quality of life and living standards in the region will be undertaken. Attention will be given to the situation of the disabled by formulating policies and innovative measures, through the exchange of information and the provision of advisory services. In addition, manuals and directories on the issue of the disabled will be produced.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT*

The following text modifies paragraphs 21.85 to 21.88 of A/37/6.

^{*} New subprogramme title.

(a) Legislative authority

21.85 Add the Nairobi World Conference, General Assembly resolutions 40/101 and 41/110.

(b) Objectives

21.86 Add at end of subparagraph (iii) the following: "assessment of the impact of socio-cultural changes on women (1988), the identification of Arab professional women (1987-1991), assessment of the employment of women in informal sector (1988), assessment of the socio-cultural changes on the Arab family (1989), and the development of national and regional capabilities for technical assistance projects for women (1984-1991)".

(c) Problem addressed

21.87 Add at the end of paragraph the following: "States members of ESCWA need a compilation of basic information on women and their participation in the formal and informal work force, as well as on the Arab family, so as to formulate appropriate policies and action oriented programmes".

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Add the following new paragraph:

21.88A Human resources development will be promoted by the provision of technical assistance and training programmes in the integration of women into the development process. Research and studies will be undertaken and information material produced with a view to assisting Governments in the formulation of appropriate policies and programmes for the fuller participation of both urban and rural women. The provision of technical assistance for the development of women will be facilitated by the issuance of a directory of professional Arab women. Intersectoral studies and meetings assessing the changes in the nature and structure of the Arab family and appropriate policies to enhance its role in development will be undertaken.

PROGRAMME 5. SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC (ESCAP)

It is proposed to establish a new subprogramme under this programme, after paragraph 21.102, as follows:

SUBPROGRAMME 4. FACILITATION OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT*

(a) Legislative authority

21.102A The legislative authority for this subprogramme is the report of the Commission at its forty-third session, 1987 (E/1987/34-E/ESCAP/590, paras. 223 and 236-237), and ESCAP resolution 260 (XLIII) on an integrated plan of action on human resources development. [It is expected that ESCAP, at its forty-fourth session in

^{*} New subprogramme.

April 1988, will provide a mandate for the implementation of a human resources development plan of action to the year 2000.]

(b) Objectives

21.102B The objectives of this subprogramme are:

- (i) <u>Intergovernmental objectives</u>: to devise and execute national and regional policies, plans and programmes for human resources development as an integrated approach to upgrading the human resources of the region, with particular emphasis on employment and manpower development, science and technology, the quality of life and women's participation in development;
- (ii) General objective of the secretariat: to facilitate national and regional efforts to devise and execute policies, plans and programmes for human resources development within the framework of an ESCAP integrated plan of action on human resources development;
- (iii) Time-limited subsidiary objectives of the secretariat: to assist Governments in devising suitable strategies and strengthening infrastructure to adopt an integrated approach to policy, planning and programming for human resources development, and to establish a regional network to facilitate intergovernmental co-operation in this regard.

(c) Problem addressed

21.102C In order for Governments to develop effective approaches to human resources development, assistance will be required to strengthen their policy-making, planning and programming capabilities with respect to all aspects of human resources development, including employment and manpower development, science and technology and quality of life. Furthermore, the integrated, intersectoral nature of human resources development requires the provision of assistance to ensure that its planning and programming systems at the national and regional levels are effectively facilitated.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

21.102D Facilitation of human resources development for the period 1990-1991 will emphasize technical co-operation. Activities concerning policy, planning and programming will have as one focus the review and analysis of national human resources development situations. The experience of more developed or successful countries will be used to assist in the development of human resources development policies, plans and programmes for less developed or less successful countries. At the same time, preliminary steps will be taken - on the basis of experience with human resources development at the country level - to develop increasingly flexible approaches to the development of the region's human resources.

CHAPTER 22. STATISTICS

I. GENERAL ORIENTATION OF THE MAJOR PROGRAMME

The following text <u>modifies</u> paragraph 22.6 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6 and A/41/6.

Add after subparagraph 22.6 (g) the following new subparagraphs (h), (i) and (j):

- (h) Development and improvement of statistics on services, including statistics on international trade in services, in response to growing interest by Governments and international organizations for statistics in this field;
- (i) Methodological activities will be developed that encourage the establishment or expansion of a statistical framework for measuring household and small-scale industrial activity and that facilitate the international exchange of information regarding national practices in this statistical area;
- (j) Methodological and compilation activities for statistics and indicators on the situation of women will continue to be strengthened in order to support national and international statistical services in obtaining reliable, comprehensive and unbiased statistics and indicators on the situation of women and their contribution to economic and social development, as well as on the inequities between men and women and the effects of discriminatory laws and practices on the role of women in development, for use in policy-making, planning and research.

Add a new paragraph 22.7 as follows:

- 22.7 Areas where efforts will be curtailed between 1990 and 1991 as compared to the 1984-1989 period include the following:
- (a) The work in general price statistics previously was aimed at developing and promoting a unified methodology for price statistics and a central facility for maintaining price data accessible to all international agencies, but for 1988 onwards work will concentrate on the International Comparison Programme, on maintaining work on price statistics for internationally traded commodities and on revision of methodologies for particular price and quantity indices;
- (b) Work in income distribution statistics is expected to be limited to monitoring of methodological developments and data collection in individual countries regarding household income and expenditure statistics;
- (c) Planned work will be suspended on one aspect of co-ordination that is, the previously planned overall review of statistical publications of the United Nations system is no longer contemplated, but within each subject-matter the question of consistency and compatibility among the various international publications will be given attention.

PROGRAMME 1. WORLD STATISTICS (DIESA)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. DEVELOPMENT OF CONCEPTS AND MFTHODS

The following text modifies paragraphs 22.10, 22.13, and 22.16 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6.

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22.10 Revise paragraph 22.10 with the following text:

Work on the national accounts will emphasize the review of the National Accounting Statistics to prepare for a revision of the System of National Accounts (SNA). It will be organized first to conduct specific studies to clarify the present SNA concepts in the light of countries' practices and to reconcile the national accounting standards with those of alternative systems such as the System of Balances of the National Economy (MPS) and with systems of related fields of statistics, in particular, those designed by the IMF for balance of payments and government finance statistics. Then, the United Nations Secretariat, in co-operation with IMF, OECD, the World Bank and EUROSTAT, will co-ordinate the review and hold a series of expert group meetings on SNA review topics covering the aspects of the structure of SNA, national accounting in constant prices, external transactions, household sector accounts, public sector accounts, production accounts and input-output tables, financial flows and SNA/MPS links. commissions will be invited to participate in this effort to ensure world-wide representation and coverage of the issues relevant to the developing countries. These meetings will culminate in a revised System of National Accounts, which will be more comprehensive than the present one and applicable to both developed and developing countries. Simultaneously, a Handbook of National Accounting series will be prepared to supplement the revised SNA and to provide practical guidance and clarification of details to producers as well as users of national accounts statistics.

22.13 Delete the first sentence of the paragraph up to the word "application" and replace with the following:

In the integration and improvement of social, demographic, human settlements and related statistics and indicators, special studies and technical reports will be prepared on statistical methods for the collection and compilation of integrated statistics and indicators on special population groups and special policy concerns assigned high priority by Governments, including qualitative aspects of development, the development, dissemination and use of international and national statistical data bases in these fields, the development and application ... (no further change).

Add a new paragraph after 22.13:

22.13A In the area of statistics and indicators on the situation of women, priority will be given to the development and compilation of statistics and indicators specifically concerned with women's participation in the economy, including women's role in production, income and investment from the point of view of national accounts and women's work in the informal sector. A progress report on the development of statistical concepts and methods in the field of women's contribution to the economy will be considered by the Statistical Commission at its

twenty-fifth session, in the first quarter of 1989, and the main results of this work, undertaken in collaboration with the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women, will be presented in the next <u>World Survey on the Role of Women in Development</u> and in a separate compendium of statistics on women's participation and production in the informal sector to be completed in 1989/90.

22.16 <u>Delete</u> after the words "will be published" in paragraph 22.16 and <u>add</u> the following:

and technical reports on concepts, classifications and methods of data collection, dissemination and analysis will be issued. The statistical methodology developed will be applied in regional and national programmes and projects. The experience gained in these activities will provide information for further modification, revision and possible extension of the methodological publications.

<u>Delete</u> after the words "classifications of statistics" in paragraph 22.16A and add the following:

, including new and renewable sources of energy, in physical as well as in value terms. Technical reports on selected topics will be prepared and/or revised as necessary.

22.16B <u>Delete</u> after the words "special technical reports" and <u>add</u> the following:

on statistical programmes for household and small-scale industries, on the effectiveness classes 1983 World Programme of Industrial Statistics and on mineral statistics, secondary recovery of metals, distributive trades and the revision and updating of International Recommendations for Construction Statistics.

SUBPROGRAMME 6. SOCIAL, DEMOGRAPHIC, HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND ENVIRONMENT STATISTICS*

The following text modifies the title of subprogramme 6 and paragraphs 22.39, 22.40, 22.45 and 22.46 of A/37/6.

(a) Legislative authority

22.39 Add recommendations of the Statistical Commission at its 24th session (E/1987/19).

(b) Objectives

22.40 <u>Insert</u> the words "human settlements" after the word "demographic," in subparagraph (ii).

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Replace paragraphs 22.45 and 22.46 with the following text:

^{*} New subprogramme title.

- The Compendium of Social Statistics and Indicators covering major aspects of levels of living and qualitative aspects of development will continue to be issued and maintained as a micro-computer statistical data base. The United Nations Women's Statistics Data Base and Disability Statistics Data Base will also be periodically updated and distributed on micro-computer diskettes with appropriate user documentation. Extracts from these data bases will be made available in printed form in response to requests of the Commission on the Status of Women and ad hoc users. The Compendium of Human Settlements Statistics will continue to be issued and its coverage expanded as national data in this emerging field become available, and preparation of a micro-computer human settlements statistics data base will be undertaken.
- 22.46 An international programme of collection and dissemination of environment statistics will be initiated by the Statistical Office in co-operation with the regional commissions. Once a sufficient number of countries have established environment statistics programmes, international data collection will be gradually expanded in line with improved data availability in both national statistical offices and international organizations.

PROGRAMME 2. TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION IN STATISTICS (DTCD)

SUBPROGRAMME: SUPPORT OF TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION

The following text modifies paragraphs 22.57 to 22.61 of A/37/6.

- Legislative authority (a)
- 22.57 Add the following to the paragraph: General Assembly resolutions 37/51, 37/52, 40/14 and 40/108, and Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/86.
- (b) Objectives
- 22.58 Add the following to (i): "and to ensure the timely, reliable, consistent and co-ordinated collection, compilation and dissemination of global, regional and national statistics disaggregated by sex in all fields of importance to women and development";

Insert the following to (ii) after "for processing statistical data,": "and to promote and assist in the national collection and dissemination of statistics and indicators on the situation of women and women in development".

- (c) Problem addressed
- 22.59 Insert the following at the end of penultimate sentence of the paragraph: ", including development of statistics and indicators and user-oriented data bases on women and special population groups, such as elderly and aging, disabled and youth".

Insert the following in last sentence of the paragraph after "censuses and surveys": "and user-oriented data bases".

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

22.60 <u>Insert</u> the following at the end of penultimate sentence of the paragraph: ", national accounts and statistics on services, and other types of economic and social statistics, including development of user-oriented data bases on women and special population groups, including the elderly, disabled persons and youth. Also, increased co-operation among developing countries to share the expertise with statistically less developed ones is expected to lead to the organization and conduct of more training workshops".

Add the following to the paragraph: "Efforts will be made to improve concepts and methods, to establish more effective systems of collecting data disaggregated by sex in all relevant fields, to provide adequate data-processing facilities and training, to widen the dissemination and use of the substantial data already available, and to promote dialogue between users and producers of data on needs, priorities and applications".

PROGRAMME 5. STATISTICS IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN (ECLAC)

The following text $\underline{\text{modifies}}$ the title of subprogramme 2 and paragraphs 22.96 to 22.99 of A/37/6.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. STATISTICAL DEVELOPMENT, QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS AND REGIONAL CO-OPERATION*

(a) Legislative authority

22.96 \underline{Add} the following at the end of the paragraph: Economic and Social Council decision 1987/117 and ECLAC resolutions 476 (XXI), 478 (XXI) and 486 (XXI).

(b) Objectives

- 22.97 (i) Intergovernmental objectives: Add the following at the end of subparagraph (i): "; to improve the statistical data production and processing capabilities of the region toward higher standards of timeliness and reliability; to enhance access to information retrieval by both public and private sectors within each country; to provide a wider range of users with quantitative methodological tools for data analysis; and to promote or strengthen horizontal co-operation channels among Latin American countries and between them and those of other regions";
- (ii) General objectives of the secretariat: Add the following at the end of subparagraph (ii): "; to ass st Governments in evaluating and transferring statistical methodologies and technological progress in computing systems achieved in developing countries aimed particularly at a more timely and cost-effective data collection and dissemination; to promote the development, updating and harmonization of international standard classifications, and encouraging the region's adherence to and implementation of recommendations and decisions adopted by the Statistical Commission; to collaborate with Governments in the establishment

^{*} New subprogramme title.

and practice of dynamic institutional mechanisms for statistical co-operation; and to develop, implement and promote the use of quantitative analysis methodologies".

(c) Problem addressed

22.98 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: "Although the use of computerized data banks has been sufficiently widespread, timeliness and reliability of figures do not measure up to expected standards. In the field of statistical dissemination, the gap is gradually increasing between the potentials of modern technology and the extent of practical application. Co-operative efforts in the region weakened during the first half of the decade and was re-established only at the beginning of the second half".

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Add the following new paragraph:

22.99A Activities under this subprogramme will consist of assistance to Governments on request, as well as studies and information dissemination, which will focus on the technological transference and methodological adaptation to the region of the advantages derived from progress achieved in statistical and computing development. Efforts will be addressed at reaching a larger number of users and at organizing information to meet the region's requirements, especially for the preparation of prospective studies and for policy formulation. Recommendations and decisions emanating from the Statistical Commission will be widely disseminated and their adoption at the regional level encouraged.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. STATISTICAL DEVELOPMENT AND REGIONAL STATISTICAL CO-OPERATION

This subprogramme is proposed for deletion, as relevant elements have been included in the revision of subprogramme 2 above.

PROGRAMME 6. STATISTICS IN WESTERN ASIA (ESCWA)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. STATISTICAL DEVELOPMENT

The following text modifies paragraphs 22.102 to 22.116 of A/37/6.

- (a) Legislative authority
- 22.102 Add ESCWA resolution 157 (XIV).
- (b) Objectives
- 22.103 Add at end of subparagraph (ii) the following: "; to establish and maintain appropriate computerized data bases relating to main areas of statistics".
- (d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991
- 22.105 Add the following new subparagraph:

22.105 (e) ESCWA computatived statistical data bases will be expanded to cover main economic and social atistics. New methods for collecting and disseminating data will be utilized a co-operation with national, regional and international organizations.

PROGRAMME 7. STATISTICS IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC (ESCAP)

It is proposed to establish a new subprogramme under this programme, and to insert it after the present paragraph 22.124, as follows:

SUBPROGRAMME 3. GOVERNMENT COMPUTERIZATION*

(a) Legislative authority

22.124A Recommendation of the Committee on Statistics at its seventh session, 1987; [it is expected that ESCAP, at its forty-fourth session in April 1988, will provide a mandate for the implementation of a human resources development plan of action to the year 2000] report of the seventh session of the Committee to be submitted to the Commission at its forty-fourth session in 1988 for endorsement.

(b) Objectives

22.124B The objectives of this subprogramme are:

- (i) <u>Intergovernmental objectives</u>: to foster in the government sector of developing countries of Asia and the Pacific the utilization of modern information technology in order to strengthen the ability at both the central and subnational levels to plan and manage economic and social development;
- (ii) General objectives of the secretariat: to assist in strengthening national and regional institutional frameworks for computerization in the government sector, act as a catalyst in computerization of high-priority information systems, increase the awareness of policy-makers and senior-level administrators and planners to the development potential of information technology, develop the regional methodology base for government-sector computerization and establish localized computer training capacity.

(c) Problem addressed

22.124C The utilization of modern information technology in the government sector offers one of the most promising prospects in developing countries for improving the planning and management of social and economic development. However, government-sector computerization in developing countries is impeded by a number of obstacles, primarily institutional, organizational and related to human resources, but also technological. Moreover, existing information systems in Governments in developing countries are concentrated at the central government level and are sectoral in nature, and thus do not adequately support the planning and management

^{*} New subprogramme.

process. In addition, public-sector computing requires increasingly a move away from traditional data-processing applications, which deal with data in separation from day-to-day operations. In spite of recent developments, which have brought information technology within their economic and practical grasp, developing countries in Asia and the Pacific are ill-equipped within the limitations of their own experience and expertise to deal with these matters.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

22.124D At the country level, the primary thrust will be to address the underlying policy and management issues of public-sector computerization, and assist in the establishment of the requisite coherent, and complementary, organizational and technical infrastructures. Activities will be targeted to exploit the potential of information technology and intensify its usage across government, particularly at the subnational level. The activities will include development of government computerization strategies, national computerization assessments, pilot projects for the development of microcomputer-based information systems, documented computerization methodologies and trained senior-level administrators and local staff. At the regional level, activities will be designed to facilitate the transfer between countries of the experience gained and the methodologies developed in public-sector computerization, particularly through workshops and regional information technology networks. The activities will also comprise advisory services.

CHAPTER 23. TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS

II. PROGRAMME: TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS (UNITED NATIONS CENTRE ON TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS AND ITS JOINT UNITS WITH THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONS)

A. Subprogrammes

SUBPROGRAMME 1. SECURING AN EFFECTIVE CODE OF CONDUCT AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS AND AGREEMENTS RELATING TO TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS

The following text modifies paragraphs 23.7, 23.9 and 23.10 of A/37/6.

- (c) Problem addressed
- (a) Legislative authority
- 23.7 Add the following to the paragraph: Economic and Social Council resolutions 1986/1 and 1987/56.
- 23.9 Add the following paragraph after paragraph 23.9:
- 23.9A The existence of divergent accounting and reporting practices of transnational corporations has also been a primary concern of the international community. The lack in international harmonization of accounting and reporting practices and the availability and comparability of information disclosed by transnational corporations is considered a major problem.
- (d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991
- 23.10 Add the following paragraph after paragraph 23.10:
- 23.10A In the event of the adoption of the Code of Conduct, the United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations will provide assistance relating to the implementation of the code, inter alia, by collecting, analysing and disseminating information and by conducting research and surveys, as required and specified by the Commission on Transnational Corporations. In the event that negotiations on the code are suspended, the Centre will propose the adoption of arrangements and agreements on specific issues arising from the agreed text of the code, and in case of the adoption of such agreements, it will facilitate their implementation and follow-up. The Centre will provide substantive support to intergovernmental bodies concerned with the preparation of background documentation relating to arrangements and agreements under discussion. The Centre will also undertake studies aimed at identifying other areas in which international arrangements or agreements might be useful.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. MINIMIZING THE NEGATIVE EFFECTS OF TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS (A) DEVELOPMENT

The following text modifies paragraphs 23.17 and 23.18 of A/37/6.

(c) Problem addressed

23.17 Add the following to the paragraph after the fifth sentence following "arrangements": By doing so, developing countries are faced with the problem of enhancing the long-term stable relationship with transnational corporations and assisting in achieving a balance of interests based on mutual benefits of both parties through both the encouragement of foreign direct investment and the exercise of control over it.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

23.18 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: Furthermore, the Centre will undertake research and analysis in the following areas: the role and impact of transnational corporations in international trade; the role of international financial activity and the impact of transnational corporations; the role of transnational corporations in the services sector, including transborder data flows; the activities of transnational corporations in South Africa and Namibia; the impact of new technologies, particularly of microelectronics-based information technologies, biotechnology and new materials, on the process of transnationalization; trends in the sectoral and geographic composition of foreign direct investment; trends in the global corporate strategies of transnational corporations; the impact of new technologies on the international redeployment of industrial production; trends in organizational transformation of transnational corporations; the role of emerging transnational corporations based in the developing countries; environmental aspects of the activities of transnational corporations; and export processing zones and the role of transnational corporations.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. STRENGTHENING THE CAPABILITY OF HOST DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN DEALING WITH MATTERS RELATED TO TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS

The following text modifies paragraphs 23.22, 23.23 and 23.26 of A/37/6.

(c) Problem addressed

23.22 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: While many developing countries have adopted liberal policies and strategies to attract foreign investment and technology, they still face mounting indebtedness and acute shortage of resource flows of recent years. The ability of these countries to maximize the contribution of transnational corporations to their development objectives is thwarted substantially by lacking capabilities and expertise in dealing with transnational corporations. Many developing countries have, over the years, improved such capabilities and expertise. However, given the range of the issues involved, the rapidity of changes in the international market, the deficiencies in their information base, and the limits of their bargaining position vis-à-vis transnational corporations, most developing countries are still short of the necessary skills and expertise for evaluating foreign investment and technology and for negotiating balanced contractual arrangements.

23.23 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: With regard to the broad policy framework, many developing countries have not been particularly successful in harmonizing their investment policies with other economic policies and strategies, thereby blunting the effect of liberalization measures.

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

23.26 Add the following to the paragraph after the penultimate sentence: Particular attention will be paid to the following: (a) the evaluation of the investment potential of developing countries, the formulation of appropriate policies with respect to investment and technology flows, and the examination of the implications of such policies for other economic policies and strategies in such countries; (b) the formulation of laws, regulations, guidelines and the institutional framework relating to the promotion and regulation of foreign investment, technology transfer and other business arrangements with transnational corporations; (c) identification and regulation of transfer pricing and other negative aspects of the activities of transnational corporations; (d) provision of technical assistance on laws, institutional arrangements and contract negotiations in natural resource sectors - in particular, petroleum, mining and fisheries; (e) technical assistance in negotiating large industrial projects in the manufacturing sector, such as joint ventures and turnkey contracts; (f) technical assistance in handling projects in the service sector, in particular, banking, airlines and hotels.

CHAPTER 24. TRANSPORT, COMMUNICATIONS AND TOURISM

PROGRAMME 2. SHIPPING (UNCTAD)

SUBPROGRAMME 3. MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT AND TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT

The following text modifies paragraphs 24.26 and 24.29 of A/37/6, as revised in A/39/6 and A/41/6.

(a) Legislative authority

24.26 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: Trade and Development Board decision 348 (XXXIV) and Committee on Shipping resolution 60 (XII) and decision 56 (XI).

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

24.29 <u>Insert</u> the following after the second sentence of the paragraph: "Work will be pursued on the following issues: commercial risk analysis for transport terminals, the practices of liner conferences in multimodal transport and containerization, including freight rate levels and structures, providing shippers with material to make the most efficient use of multimodal transport, including distribution cost effects, improving the role of freight forwarders in developing countries, the evolution of international container standards and the compilation of statistics.";

Add the following as the penultimate sentence of the paragraph: "Efforts will be made to achieve a greater concentration of the research capacity on selected issues and a stronger projection at the national level of the multimodal issue and its implications for the economies of developing countries".

PROGRAMME 6. TRANSPORT, COMMUNICATIONS AND TOURISM IN WESTERN ASIA (ESCWA)

SUBPROGRAMME 1. DEVELOPMENT OF INTEGRATED TRANSPORT

The following text modifies paragraphs 24.114 to 24.131 of A/37/6, as revised in A/41/6.

(a) Legislative authority

24.114 Add ESCWA resolution 138 (XII); Economic and Social Council resolutions 1983/66, 1983/69 and 1984/78; and General Assembly resolution 39/227.

(b) Objectives

22.115 <u>Delete</u> the last three lines of subparagraph (iii) beginning with the words "and establishment ..." and <u>replace</u> with the following: "and preparation of programmes and projects to meet the objectives of the Transport and Communications Decade in Asia and the Pacific by 1990-1991".

(c) Problem addressed

22.116 Add the following at the end of the paragraph: "Moreover, there is an evident lack of planning and co-ordination in matters related to transport among the countries of the ESCWA region, and particularly among neighbouring countries. This impedes the process of the balanced and co-ordinated development of a regional network of transport infrastructure, and results therefore in a concomitant misallocation of financial resources. The problem is attributable to the present deficiency in the institutional structure of the region and to inadequate co-operation among existing institutions and organizations concerned with the sector, particularly those of the League of Arab States, the regional organizations and the Arab financial institutions".

(d) Strategy for the period 1984-1991

Add the following new paragraph.

22.121A Maximum possible co-ordination will be established with the ESCAP secretariat in order to achieve the objectives of the Transport and Communications Decade in Asia and the Pacific. In view of the operational activities of the Decade, project profiles within its strategy and regional action plan would have been already outlined and adopted by the appropriate intergovernmental body by the end of 1989. In light of available financing, detailed projects will be formulated and it is envisaged that implementation of selected investment schemes will be initiated during 1990-1991.

In order to reflect changes resulting from the implementation of General Assembly resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986 on the review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations, whereby functions relating to programme planning, budgeting, monitoring and evaluation have been brought under a coherent structure, it is proposed to rename the major programme (chapter 26) entitled "Financial services", as contained in document A/37/6/Add.2, to read "Programme planning, budgeting and financial services" as above. It is also proposed to insert four subprogrammes presently shown under programme 1 entitled "Programme planning" of chapter 31 (Programme planning and co-ordination) (A/37/6/Add.3) in the revised chapter 26.

I. GENERAL ORIENTATION OF THE MAJOR PROGRAMME

The following text replaces paragraphs 26.1 to 26.8 of document A/37/6/Add.2.

- 26.1 The major programme on programme planning, budgeting and finance has evolved to respond to the perceived need for coherence in the programmes of work of the United Nations and for sound financial management, as expressed in the resolutions and decisions of the General Assembly. Within the Organization, the goal of the major programme is the establishment and refinement of an integrated system of programme planning, budgeting, monitoring and evaluation, so as to ensure that the work programmes of the United Nations are implemented with maximum regard for efficiency and effectiveness.
- 26.2 Financial management functions are carried out in a decentralized organizational setting. The main centres of programme activities located away from Headquarters have been delegated the authority to provide the required financial services. The Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Finance has the dual responsibility to provide, on the one hand, overall direction and management of financial services for the Organization as a whole and, on the other hand, full financial services to the organizational units located at Headquarters.
- 26.3 To improve the effectiveness of the programme budgeting process, including programme planning, monitoring and evaluation, the Secretary-General established, with the approval of the General Assembly (resolution 37/234), the Programme Planning and Budgeting Board and the Central Monitoring Unit. The regulations and rules issued pursuant to Assembly resolutions 37/234 and 38/227 A introduced the Secretary-General's instruments of integrated management, including the preparation of the medium-term plan and reports on programme performance and evaluation.
- 26.4 The head of the Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Finance (Department of Administration and Management), the office which has the primary responsibilities for the functions mentioned above, is a member of the Programme Planning and Budgeting Board. The Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Finance plays a lead role in the preparation of the draft medium-term plan; in this context, it depends upon contributions from every organizational unit in the Secretariat and programme managers at every duty station are involved. The Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Finance has the overall responsibility for the preparation of the budget. The dual instrumentalities of the draft medium-term plan and the proposed programme budget provide central and programme managers with

the main management tools for the effective design of the Organization's programme of work, in line with legislative mandates and priorities.

- 26.5 Following approval of the biennial programme budget, the Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Finance administers and co-ordinates, as appropriate, the use of all resources made available to the Organization and ensures their effective and economical utilization, directly or through delegation of authority to other offices of the United Nations.
- 26.6 Linked to this, the responsibilities of the Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Finance for evaluation and management analysis of United Nations programmes are intended to assist central and programme managers by providing a means of measuring programme delivery, both in quantitative and qualitative terms.
- 26.7 The Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Finance is responsible for the receipt, safe custody of and disbursement of all resources for which the Secretary-General is the custodian. In this regard, the Office furnishes secretariat services to the Committee on Contributions.
- 26.8 The Office also maintains the accounts for and reports to the appropriate authorities on the use made of United Nations resources. All accounts of the Organization are audited by the Board of Auditors, which is appointed by the General Assembly.

II. PROGRAMMES

PROGRAMME 1. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL

The following modifies programme 1 entitled "Financial management and control" of A/37/6/Add.2 (paras. 26.9 to 26.14) to include additional subprogrammes.

SUBPROGRAMME 1. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL SYSTEMS

26.9-26.14 As described in paragraphs 26.9 to 26.14 in A/37/6/Add.2.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. CONTRIBUTIONS SERVICES

26.15-26.21 As described in paragraphs 26.77 to 26.83 of A/37/6/Add.2. It is proposed to $\frac{include}{2}$ this subprogramme under programme 1. Renumber these paragraphs to read 26.15 to 26.21.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. INSURANCE AND CLAIMS

26.22-26.27 As described in paragraphs 26.54 to 26.59. It is proposed to <u>include</u> this subprogramme under programme 1. <u>Renumber</u> these paragraphs to read 26.22 to 26.27.

PROGRAMME 2. FINANCIAL SERVICES RELATING TO PEACE-KEEPING MATTERS

26.28-26.33 As described in paragraphs 26.15 to 26.20 of A/37/6/Add.2. kenumber these paragraphs to read 26.28 to 26.33

PROGRAMME 3. PROGRAMME PLANNING, BUDGETING AND MONITORING

The following programme/subprogramme structure modifies the entire programme 4 entitled "Programme planning, budgeting and monitoring", as outlined in chapter 26 (paras. 26.27 to 26.44) of A/37/6/Add.2. It is further proposed to transfer subprogramme 1 entitled "Salaries, allowances and other entitlements" of programme 5 entitled "Policy-co-ordination" (paras. 26.45 to 26.53 of A/37/6/Add.2) to subprogramme 2 entitled "Compensation and classification" of programme 3 entitled "Staff administration and training" in chapter 27.

SUBPROGRAMME 1. PLANNING

(a) Legislative authority

26.34 As described in paragraph 31.6 of A/37/6/Add.3; add the following after "39/238": , 40/240, 41/213 and 42/215.

(b) Objectives

26.35 As described in paragraph 31.7 of A/37/6/Add.3.

(c) Problem addressed

26.36 As described in paragraph 31.8 of A/37/6/Add.3.

(d) Strategy for the plan period 1984-1991

The following text <u>modifies</u> paragraph 31.9 of A/37/6/Add.3, the underlined portions of which indicate revisions or additions, while the sentence in square brackets indicates deletion.

26.37 During the plan period, methodologies and procedures for medium-term planning will continue to be developed. The rules pertaining to article 3 of the Regulations Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation (General Assembly resolution 37/234, annex) will be reviewed and, as necessary, revised. managers will be assisted and guided in their planning and programming tasks. [Under the quidance of the Programme Planning and Budgeting Board, the proposed medium-term plan for the period 1990-1995 will be prepared and submitted to the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and subsequently to the General Assembly.] Special attention will be given to the full incorporation of support services in the planning and programming process. Under the guidance of the Programme Planning and Budgeting Board, the proposed medium-term plan for the period beginning with 1992 will be prepared, taking into account the comments and recommendations of intergovernmental organs on programmes over which they have special competence, and submitted to the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination (or to the ACABO in the case of servicing activities) and subsequently to the General Assembly. Particular importance will be given to the preparation of the introduction to the plan which, in accordance with programme planning regulation 4.7, will constitute a key integral element in the planning process and will highlight in a co-ordinated manner the policy orientations of the United Nations system, indicate the medium-term objectives, strategy and trends deduced from mandates reflecting priorities set by intergovernmental organizations, and contain the Secretary-General's proposals on priorities. As requested by the

General Assembly in its resolution 42/215, section II, the draft introduction will be prepared, taking into account the opinions, comments and suggestions of Member States.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. PROGRAMME BUDGET PREPARATION AND ADMINISTRATION*

It is proposed to <u>establish</u> subprogramme 2 entitled "Programme budget preparation and administration" to reflect the consolidation of previous subprogramme 1 entitled "Budget preparation and administration" of programme 4 entitled "Programme planning, budgeting and monitoring" (paras. 26.27 to 26.38 of A/37/6/Add.2) with subprogramme 2 entitled "Programming" of programme 1 entitled "Programme planning" of chapter 31 (paras. 31.10 to 31.14 of A/37/6/Add.3).

(a) Legislative authority

The following text modifies paragraph 26.27 of A/37/6/Add.2.

26.38 Add 40/240, 41/213 and 42/211, annex.

(b) Objectives

- 26.39 The objectives of this subprogramme are:
 - (i) As described in paragraph 26.28 of A/37/6/Add.2;
 - (ii) As described in subparagraph 31.11 (i) of A/37/6/Add.3.

Delete subparagraph 31.11 (ii) of A/37/6/Add.3.

Add the following new subparagraph:

(iii) To consolidate the reforms in the planning, programming and budgeting process mandated by the General Assembly under its resolution 41/213.

(c) Problem addressed

26.40 As described in paragraph 26.29 of A/37/6/Add.2.

Add the following new paragraph:

26.41 The reforms initiated under General Assembly resolution 41/213 require the new discipline of prior approval by the General Assembly of an outline of the next programme budget to be proposed by the Secretary-General, which will contain an indication of: (a) the preliminary estimate of resource requirements, (b) priorities, (c) real growth and (d) size of the contingency fund. Modalities to be formulated in the biennium 1988-1989 for effecting the new discipline, as required for instance under General Assembly resolution 42/211 regarding the use and operation of the contingency fund, will need to be tested and, as needed, improved.

^{*} New subprogramme.

(d) Strategy

- (i) Situation as at the end of 1983
- 26.42 As described in paragraph 26.30 in A/37/6/Add.2.
- 26.43 As described in paragraph 26.31 in A/37/6/Add.2.
 - (ii) For the plan period 1984-1991

The following text modifies paragraph 26.32 of A/37/6/Add.2.

26.44 Add at the end of the paragraph the following:

The extrabudgetary financing of each output or service will be indicated more clearly in the proposed programme budget.

26.45 Add the following new paragraph:

During the biennium 1990-1991, the new process of formulating an outline of the next programme budget for approval by the General Assembly more than a year before the programme budget is implemented will be improved in the light of experience. The same will be done with respect to the determination of an optimum level for and the operation of a contingency fund. The new programme budget management system will be installed and it will underpin both the implementation of and reporting on the programme budget at that time, on the one hand, and the preparation of the one for the following biennium, on the other hand. On-line access by an increasing number of departments to the computerized budget file will be brought about. Work will continue for the improvement of the budget format with a view to achieving transparency in the relationship of outputs to the attainment of their subprogramme objective on the one hand, and, on the other hand, to the resources they require for execution. Owing to the restructuring of the Secretariat as part of the reforms brought about by General Assembly resolution 41/213, both stricter identification of priority activities to share the reduced resources and enhanced vigilance in programme budget administration will be observed.

(e) Continuing activities

26.46 As described in paragraph 26.33 of A/37/6/Add.2.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. DATA ANALYSIS AND SYSTEMS CONTROL

26.47-26.52 As described in paragraphs 26.39 to 26.44 of A/37/6/Add.2. Renumber these paragraphs to read 26.47 to 26.52.

SUBPROGRAMME 4. MONITORING

26.53-26.58 As described in paragraphs 31.15 to 31.20 of A/37/6/Add.3. Renumber these paragraphs to read 26.53 to 26.58.

PROGRAMME 4. EVALUATION AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS OF UNITED NATIONS PROGRAMMES*

SUBPROGRAMME. EVALUATION AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS OF UNITED NATIONS PROGRAMMES*

It is proposed to <u>establish</u> a new subprogramme, which will consolidate subprogramme 4 entitled "Evaluation of United Nations programmes" of programme 1 entitled "Programme planning" of chapter 31 (paras. 31.21 to 31.28) of document A/37/6/Add.3 and the subprogramme of programme 1 entitled "Administrative management service" of chapter 29 (paras. 29.6 to 29.13) of A/37/6/Add.2. The following text modifies these paragraphs, the underlined portions of which indicate revisions or additions.

(a) Legislative authority

26.59 As described in paragraph 31.21 of A/37/6/Add.3. Add document A/41/49, section VI and General Assembly resolutions 41/213 and 42/215.

(b) Objectives

26.60 The objectives of this subprogramme are:

(i) Intergovernmental objective:

As described in subparagraph 31.22 (i) of A/37/6/Add.3. Add the word "efficiency" after the word "relevance,".

(ii) General objectives of the secretariat:

- (a) As described in subparagraph 31.22 (ii) of A/37/6/Add.3.
- (b) As described in paragraph 29.7 of A/37/6/Add.2. <u>Delete</u> the opening phrase "The overall objective of the subprogramme is".

(c) Problem addressed

Replace paragraph 31.23 of A/37/6/Add.3 with the following:

26.61 A comprehensive effort is under way for purposes of streamlining the various components of the Secretariat and of improving their efficiency and effectiveness. As part of the "cutback management", programmes have to be critically analysed so that waste, inefficiencies and duplication would be eliminated. Programme managers have to be guided to maintain and even improve programme delivery, both in quantitative and qualitative terms, in a context characterized by reduction of resources and stricter managerial control.

26.62 As described in paragraph 29.8 of A/37/6/Add.2.

(d) Strategy for the extended plan period 1984-1991

Replace paragraph 31.24 and subparagraphs (i) and (ii) with the following:

^{*} New programme/subprogramme.

26.63 In-depth evaluations and triennial reviews would be undertaken in line with the requests made by CPC. Evaluation studies would look into effectiveness factors and considerations as well as efficiency, in other words, management systems and delivery capacity. Programmatic objectives are often defined without ensuring that adequate managerial capacity exists to ensure programme implementation and delivery. Self-evaluation as a managerial tool would be further refined.

(i) In-depth evaluation

Based upon experience and state-of-the-art evaluation methodology, the techniques outlined in the United Nations Evaluation Manual will be refined and improved. Substantive support will be provided to evaluate units at the regional and sectoral levels. During the extended plan period and as requested by CPC, in-depth evaluation studies will be undertaken on the programmes on human rights, human settlements and political and security council affairs; preliminary study will be made on the programme on science and technology. Triennial reviews will be undertaken as appropriate.

(ii) Self-evaluation by programme managers

The self-evaluation by programme system which has been set up will be refined and improved so that evaluation becomes an integral component of programme management. Substantive support will continue to be provided to programme managers. More attention will be devoted to programme implementation and delivery systems and problems of managerial capacity in that context.

Delete paragraph 29.9 of A/37/6/Add.2.

- 26.64 As described in paragraph 29.10 of A/37/6/Add.2.
- 26.65 As described in paragraph 29.11 of A/37/6/Add.2.
- 26.66 As described in paragraph 29.12 of A/37/6/Add.2.

(e) Continuing activities

26.67 As described in paragraph 29.13 of A/37/6/Add.2.

PROGRAMME 5. FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING ACTIVITIES

26.68-26.84 As described in paragraphs 26.60 to 26.76 of A/37/6/Add.2. Renumber these paragraphs to read 26.68 to 26.84.

PROGRAMME 6. TREASURY SERVICES*

Change the title of this programme, previously under programme 7 of A/37/6/Add.2 entitled: "Assessment of contributions and treasury services", to "Treasury services".

Move subprogramme 1 entitled "Contributions services" (paras. 26.77 to 26.83 of A/37/6/Add.2) to programme 1 entitled "Financial management and control" (see para. 26.15 above).

SUBPROGRAMME 1. ADMINISTRATION OF TREASURY AFFAIRS

26.85-26.90 As described in paragraphs 26.84 to 26.89 of A/37/6/Add.2. Renumber these paragraphs to read 26.85 to 26.90.

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SUBPROGRAMME 2. CASH MANAGEMENT

26.91-26.97 As described in paragraphs 26.90 to 26.96 of A/37/5/Add.2. Renumber these paragraphs to read 26.91 to 26.97.

^{*} New programme title.

CHAPTER 27. HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

It is proposed to (a) <u>rename</u> the major programme (chapter 27) "Personnel management services", contained in document A/37/6/Add.2, to read "Human resources management" as above and (b) <u>establish</u> a new programme/subprogramme structure as set forth below to reflect changes resulting from the initial implementation of General Assembly resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986 on the review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations.

I. GENERAL ORIENTATION OF THE MAJOR PROGRAMME

The following text replaces paragraphs 27.1 through 27.9 of document A/37/6/Add.2.

- 27.1 Human resources management in the United Nations means the discharge of the responsibility for the development and consistent application of a coherent personnel policy throughout the Secretariat in accordance with actions taken by legislative bodies and in response to administrative decisions. In so doing, co-ordination with organizations in the Common System is a continuing function. Specifically, human resources management entails the recruitment, placement and personnel administration of the staff of the Secretariat directly, and through instructions to other units. The management process, however, necessarily involves the fostering of harmonious staff-management relations, including a speedy resolution of staff grievances, as well as the establishment of medical standards and the promotion of health and welfare of the staff. During the plan period, therefore, management of human resources will be a critical activity in the Organization in view of the restructuring of the Secretariat and the staff reductions required to meet the targets established by General Assembly resolution 41/213.
- 27.2 A major personnel policy reform has been initiated with the consolidation of all recruitment and placement functions into a streamlined service. This initiative also includes the consolidation of recruitment and placement functions with the administration of competitive examinations for (a) the promotion of General Service and related categories to the Professional category, (b) world-wide competitive recruitment examinations for junior level professionals up to the P-3 level, and (c) posts with special language requirements. In this connection, the report of the Group of High-level Intergovernmental Experts to Review the Efficiency of the Administrative and Financial Functioning of the United Nations 5/ approved by General Assembly resolution 41/213, recognized the importance of competitive examinations and the Organization's continuing need to recruit new staff members, especially at the Junior Professional levels, to ensure a vigorous Secretariat structure.
- 27.3 A number of General Assembly resolutions, notably resolutions 33/143, 35/210, 37/237, 39/245, 41/286 and 41/203, requested the Secretary-General to establish recruitment priorities to achieve geographic and gender balance within the Organization through systematic and coherent recruitment planning. In this connection, the staff reductions mandated under General Assembly resolution 41/213 necessitate limited recruitment during the retrenchment period itself, while ensuring that geographical distribution and the percentage of women in the Secretariat will not be impeded. The consolidation of recruitment and placement

functions will improve the ability of the Organization to plan effectively for the future human resources needs and to develop a mechanism for the accurate forecasting of such needs in line with legislative mandates and Secretariat objectives. It will also facilitate the effective redeployment of staff under the retrenchment plan. Furthermore, the career development system for all categories of staff will be modified and adapted according to experience gained and the needs of the Organization.

- 27.4 Further reforms in personnel policy have been initiated by the consolidation of compensation functions (formerly subprogramme 1 entitled "Salaries, allowances and other entitlements" of programme 5 on Policy co-ordination of chapter 26 of the medium-term plan for 1984-1989) and classification functions into a single subprogramme. Job classification standards will continue to be developed and implemented and greater control will be exercised over the administration of allowances and benefits in the interest of good financial management and in line with the concerns expressed by ACABQ and the Auditors.
- 27.5 Through human resources planning, the Organization intends to ensure that short and medium-term staffing needs are adequately met and its human resources are optimaly utilized. This will involve increasing the effectiveness and efficiency of the staff through a dynamic training programme geared to the changing needs of the Organization. These training programmes will be of particular importance during the period of retrenchment when there is a need for improved management skills, career development prospects and the increased usage of computer processing and office automation. The training opportunities will assist staff to respond to the major reorganization and reorientation of the Organization's staffing structure and lay the foundation for an expanded training operation to support staff efficiency.
- 27.6 Staff welfare functions will be consolidated under the new Medical and Employee Assistance Programme, so that medical, housing, and counselling functions will be brought under common management direction.
- 27.7 The reforms undertaken will be kept under continuing review for the purpose of possible further modifications on the basis of the experience gained. It is expected that this process will eventually provide for a more coherent and viable programmatic structure capable of adapting to the Organization's needs in the field of human resources management which, particularly during a period of retrenchment, will be a top priority.

II. PROGRAMMES

The following proposed programme structure <u>replaces</u> and <u>supersedes</u> the <u>sucture</u> reflected in paragraphs 27.10 to 27.95 of A/37/6/Add.2.

PROGRAMME 1. PROGRAMME PLANNING AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS*

It is proposed to <u>rename</u> the programme entitled "Personnel policy co-ordination" in document A/37/6/Add.2 to reflect in one single programme central

^{*} New programme title.

personnel information gathering and reporting functions previously included under subprogramme 1 of programme 1 entitled "Personnel policy co-ordination" and subprogramme 5 of programme 3 entitled "Staff management and welfare" in A/37/6/Add.2. Subprogrammes 2 and 3 of programme 1 in A/37/6/Add.2 now appear under programme 3 (see below).

Subprogramme

SUBPROGRAMME. PROGRAMME PLANNING AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS*

As described in subprogramme 1 entitled "Programme development, reporting and information ystems" (paras. 27.10 to 27.15) and subprogramme 5 entitled "Maintenance of personnel records" under programme 3 entitled "Staff management and welfare" (paras. 27.70 to 27.73) in A/37/6/Add.2.

PROGRAMME 2. STAFFING, PLACE ENT AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT*

It is proposed to <u>rename</u> the programme entitled "Recruitment" in document A/37/6/Add.2 to reflect the consolidation of recruitment functions and examinations and career planning, counselling and placement under one single programme.

Subprogrammes

SUBPROGRAMME 1. RECRUITMENT*

As described in subprogramme 1 entitled "Recruitment planning" and subprogramme 2 entitled "Recruitment" (paras. 27.27 to 27.44 of A/37/6/Add.2).

SUBPROGRAMME 2. EXAMINATIONS

As described in subprogramme 3 entitled "Examinations" under programme 4 entitled "Career development" of A/37/6/Add.2 (paras. 27.86 to 27.90).

SUBPROGRAMME 3. CAREER PLANNING, PLACEMENT AND COUNSELLING*

As described in subprogramme 1 entitled "Career planning, counselling and placement" under programme 4 entitled "Career development" in A/37/6/Add.2 (paras. 27.74 to 27.79).

PROGRAMME 3. STAFF ADMINISTRATION AND TRAINING*

It is proposed to <u>establish</u> this new programme to reflect the consolidation of functions previously described under programme 1 entitled "Personnel policy co-ordination", programme 3 entitled "Staff management and welfare" and programme 4 entitled "Career development" in chapter 27 of A/37/6/Add.2, as well as under programme 5 entitled "Policy co-ordination" in chapter 26. Programme 3 entitled

^{*} New programme/subprogramme title.

"Staff management and welfare" would accordingly be <u>deleted</u> and its constituent subprogrammes distributed as indicated above (programmes 1 and 3) and below under programme 4 entitled "Medical and employee assistance".

Subprogrammes

SUBPROGRAMME 1. ELABORATION, INTERPRETATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF STAFF RULES AND REGULATIONS*

This new title reflects the proposed consolidation of functions currently described under subprogramme 2 entitled "Interpretation and elaboration of staff regulations and rules" (paras. 27.16 to 27.20) of programme 1 and subprogramme 1 entitled "Administration and implementation of rules and regulations" (paras. 27.45 to 27.52) of programme 3 in A/37/6/Add.2.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. COMPENSATION AND CLASSIFICATION*

This new title reflects the proposed consolidation of functions currently described under subprogramme 3 entitled "Job classification" of programme 1 in paragraphs 27.21 to 27.26 in chapter 27 of A/37/6/Add.2 and subprogramme 1 entitled "Salaries, allowances and other entitlements" of programme 5 in paragraphs 26.45 to 26.53 in chapter 26 of A/37/6/Add.2.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. STAFF/MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

As described in subprogramme 2 entitled "Staff/management relations" of programme 3 in chapter 27 (paras. 27.53 to 27.56) of A/37/6/Add.2.

SUBPROGRAMME 4. TRAINING

As outlined in subprogramme 2 entitled "Training" of programme 4 entitled "Career development" (paras. 27.80 to 27.85) in chapter 27 of A/37/6/Add.2.

PROGRAMME 4. MEDICAL AND EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE*

It is proposed to <u>establish</u> this new programme to reflect in a discrete programme the functions currently described in subprogrammes 3 and 4 of programme 3 entitled "Staff management and welfare" in A/37/6/Add.2.

Subprogrammes

SUBPROGRASME 1. MEDICAL SERVICES

Remains as described in subprogramme 3 entitled "Medical services" (paras. 27.57 to 27.65) in chapter 27 of A/37/6/Add.2.

^{*} New programme/subprogramme title.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE*

Reflects a streamlining and consolidation of functions described in subprogramme 4 entitled "Staff counselling and staff welfare activities" (paras. 27.66 to 27.69) in chapter 27 of A/37/6/Add.2.

PROGRAMME 5. REVIEWS AND APPEALS

SUBPROGRAMME. REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE DECISIONS, APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES*

Remains as described in programme 5 entitled "Reviews and appeals" (paras. 27.91 to 27.95) in chapter 27 of A/37/6/Add.2.

New subprogramme title.

CHAPTER 28. GENERAL SERVICES

PROGRAMME 2. COMMERCIAL SERVICES

SUBPROGRAMME 1. PROCUREMENT AND TRANSPORTATION

The following text <u>modifies</u> paragraphs 28.20 to 28.27 of A/37/6/Add.2. the underlined portions of which indicate revisions or additions and the bracketed portions of which indicate deletions.

(d) Strategy

Replace paragraphs 28.20 to 28.22 of A/37/6/Add.2 by the following text:

(i) Situation as at the end of 1987

28.20 An Automated Purchase and Payment Systems (APPS) was partially installed in 1980 as a result of a consultant study. The APPS programme provided for the necessary computer hardware and software to begin a systematic automation of some of the manual systems in the procurement process. [The APPS is now contributing significantly to the purchase order production capability, to the general records filing system and to an expanded vendors' roster.] However, in late 1985 it became apparent that the APPS would not be adequate to meet the demands of the future, and an intensive survey was undertaken to identify a new product that could be utilized in the most cost-effective manner. As a result of this survey, a new system package called Materials Management Information System (MMIS) was tested and installed in June of 1986. To date, this system has been highly successful and has allowed for greater efficiency and productivity. In the medium term, it will provide the integration of various operations into a uniform system of procurement management and reporting in a most timely manner.

Delete subparagraph 28.21 (b).

(ii) For the plan period 1984-1991

Replace paragraph 28.22 with the following text:

28.22 A new contract will be issued in 1988 for [expendable office supplies. This new arrangement will simplify the procurement, receipt, shipping, distribution, payment, accountability for and inventory of office supplies.] the procurement, issue, distribution, receipt, payment and inventory of expendable and certain non-expendable office supplies and equipment. [It is a computer-assisted project which will reduce the amount of staff required to handle the activity.] This computerized system would provide for a reduction in staff handling these activities and the release of much needed space previously engaged for the storage of these items. This project will be pursued and implemented without delay.

28.24 Add to paragraph 28.24 the following text:

In 1988, a revived, in-depth study will be undertaken to determine what kind of available technology could be utilized to automate this data gathering and analysis activity.

28.25 Add a new subparagraph reading: "(d) to provide photo image and data transmittal via satellite to both Geneva and Vienna under a secured environment".

Replace paragraph 28.26 by the following:

28.26 [A] This computerized system [will be], when established [to], will facilitate the work [of the travel] in traffic operations to a large extent. The current system of manually routing the travel authorization through various offices (which individually also maintain their own set of records), and processing of travel claims is inefficient, outdated and costly in relation to utilization of manpower-resources and time consumption. The Working Party of CCAO recommended that computerization was the key to increasing future productivity in administrative functions relating to travel (see document ACC/1988/F.B./R.7 dated 5 February 1988). It is proposed, therefore, to put in place a computerization programme for the processing of travel authorizations and travel claims, subject to the approval of the appropriate level of funding and the recommendations of the consultants currently undertaking a study for an Integrated Management Information System (IMIS). This project is expected to involve Secretariat-wide co-ordination and interfacing of computer systems in this respect.

PROGRAMME 3. TECHNICAL SUPPORT SERVICES

In the implementation of General Assembly resolution 41/213 of 10 December 1986, communication activities, previously programmed as subprogramme 2 under this programme 3 entitled "Technical support services", have been included in chapter 29 in order to reflect the fact that these activities share a common managerial function with electronic data processing activities: to effect a comprehensive, structured, effective and efficient approach to the development of a United Nations communications network resulting from the rapid advances in communications technology.

Subprogramme 2 entitled "Communications" of programme 3 and related paragraphs of A/37/6/Add.2 are, therefore, <u>deleted</u>. The programmes of activity of mail operations and broadcast and conference engineering that were originally subsumed under the above subprogramme are proposed as two new subprogrammes under this programme 3.

SUBPROGRAMME 1. BUILDING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

The following text <u>modifies</u> paragraphs 28.63 to 28.98 of A/37/6/Add.2, the underlined portions of which indicate revisions or additions and the bracketed portions of which indicate deletions.

(a) <u>Legislative authority</u>

28.63 Add "and 39/236, section III" following "resolution 32/204".

(b) Objectives

Replace paragraph 28.64 by the following text:

28.64 The general objective is to plan, manage, maintain and operate in an effective and efficient manner the <u>physical facilities at Headquarters</u>, including

those for offices, [and] conferences and support services necessary for the Organization to carry out its work in New York, to provide advice on these matters to United Nations offices at other duty stations, as well as to provide overall technical direction and control for overseas construction.

(c) Problems addressed

Add in paragraph 28.66 the following text:

28.66 As a result of a significant increase in the number and complexity of activities in connection with overseas construction, alterations and improvements, major maintenance and office space planning projects, there is a general need to improve project management systems.

(d) Strategy

(i) Situation as at the end of 1987

Add in paragraph 28.67 the following text:

28.67 Most of the projects scheduled for implementation in the 1986-1987 biennium in connection with the programme for the improvement and modernization of mechanical and electrical equipment, together with other capital expenditure projects, were deferred because of the financial crisis. Regarding the regular maintenance of the premises and equipment at Headquarters, a computerized programme was installed in 1986 to monitor maintenance activities and provide management reports. The programme of consolidation of outside rented premises was expanded in 1986 to include the move of the documents warehouse facility from Long Island City to the Headquarters complex. This move was completed in March 1987. In respect of electrical maintenance, due to reduced personnel, a rescheduling of work resulted in increased efficiency. As to heating, ventilating and air-conditioning, additional steps were taken to conserve energy resulting in reduced operating costs. Cleaning operating costs were reduced in 1986 by rescheduling working hours and reducing cleaning staff.

(ii) For the plan period 1984-1991

Replace paragraph 28.72 by the following text:

28.72 The programme for the improvement and modernization of mechanical and electrical equipment is scheduled for [completion] resumed implementation in 1988-1991.

Add to paragraph 28.73 the following text:

28.73 This programme is periodically reviewed and updated with respect to scope and priorities. Increased responsibility for the oversight of overseas construction projects, as well as general need to improve management procedures for major maintenance/alterations projects, suggested that the introduction of a computerized programme and project management system would facilitate the timely implementation of these projects. The implementation of such a system is scheduled for 1988-1989. In addition, the monitoring of the financial aspects of these projects is being computerized. The computerized system installed in 1986 to monitor maintenance activities and provide management reports in respect of regular

maintenance of premises and equipment at Headquarters will be expanded during the period 1988-1991.

In continuation of the programme of consolidation of outside rented premises, the relocation to the Headquarters complex of the Archives, currently housed in rented premises in Park Avenue South, New York, is being achieved.

Replace paragraphs 28.74 to 28.76 by the following text:

28.74 The growth of office space at Headquarters has reached a point where manual office space planning systems are time consuming and inefficient to maintain. A computer-aided drafting and design system (CADD) has recently been acquired. Training is now under way and the initial data base is being established. In an effort to improve management of the architectural and engineering activities, an examination of specialized computer software and hardware systems will be undertaken to determine their utility and cost effectiveness for architectural/engineering planning and design.

28.75 The existing computerized security alarm system is under review for replacement by a more up-to-date system with improved reliability. Various systems to provide computerized and energy management and other operational functions are being reviewed with a view to implementation during the period 1988-1991. An expansion programme of the computerized system of the Information and Reception Unit is being contemplated for implementation. This programme will enable the transfer of information files from dittoed white cards into a computerized retrieval system.

28.76 With the integration in 1986 of the Overseas Construction Projects into the Building Operation and Maintenance Sub-Programme for physical facilities at Headquarters, broader technical support is being achieved.

(e) Continuing activities

Add to paragraph 28.77, the following subparagraph:

(i) Overseas construction services:

SUBPROGRAMME 2. MAIL OPERATIONS*

This new subprogramme <u>replaces</u> subprogramme 2 entitled "Communications", contained in A/37/6/Add.2.

(a) Legislative authority

28.78 The legislative authority for the subprogramme is General Assembly resolution 32/204.

^{*} New subprogramme.

(b) Objectives

- 28.79 The general objective is to provide efficient, reliable and cost effective means of transmitting official correspondence and material. To provide this service, this subprogramme provides:
 - (a) Pouch service to some 138 destinations worldwide;
 - (b) Postal services;
- (c) Messenger service within the Headquarters complex to distribute correspondence and printed documents.

(c) Problem addressed

28.80 In the light of staff reductions, it will be particularly necessary to improve work methods and procedures further and to make greater use of technological innovations in order to continue the current levels of service efficiently.

(d) Strategy

(i) Situation as at the end of 1987

28.81 The messenger service within the United Nations Headquarters has been reorganized to make it more efficient and at the same time more economical by reducing staff. A computerized Pouch Accounting System has been installed to record the cost incurred by the users offices. Efforts have been made to utilize increased business competition in providing pouch service and mail distribution.

(ii) For the plan period 1984-1991

- 28.82 It is planned to reorganize the mail dispatch and pouch systems to make them more responsive to the Organization's needs by utilizing available computer technology.
- 28.83 Better co-ordination is foreseen within the global United Nations system to decrease transmittal time for correspondence and printed documents and increase the cost efficiency of the pouch and mail operations.

(e) Continuing activities

- 28.84 Other than the projects listed above, most of the activities are of a continuing nature and are reviewed on a regular basis in order to identify possible improvements in efficiency and effectiveness.
 - (a) Mail and pouch operations;
 - (b) Messenger services.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. RECORDS MANAGEMENT

Rename subprogramme 3 entitled "Records management" in A/37/6/Add.2, as revised below.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. ARCHIVES AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT

The following text modifies paragraphs 28.86 to 28.97 of A/37/6/Add.2, the underlined portions of which indicate revisions or additions and the bracketed portions of which indicate deletions.

(a) Legislative authority

28.86 Add "and ST/AI/326, 28 December 1984" following "resolution 32/204".

(b) Objective

Replace paragraph 28.87 by the following text:

28.87 The major objectives of the subprogramme are to obtain the most efficient and economical use of the Organization's information sources; to provide advice on all phases of current records management, including training of departmental staff assigned to record-keeping duties; the maintenance of register of the Organization's records; preservation and servicing of non-current records and archival material; and providing advice to United Nations overseas offices on matters pertaining to current and non-recurrent records. The primary objective is to improve the quality and efficiency of the services rendered to the Organization. The specific and time-limited objective is to integrate the Archives and Records Management functions into an automated United Nations Information System.

(c) <u>Problems addressed</u>

The following text of the subprogramme <u>replaces</u> paragraphs 28.88 to 28.94 of A/37/6/Add.2:

- 28.88 As a result of the rapid evolution of information and communications technologies, archives and records management practices derived essentially from paper-based information, handling processes are no longer adequate.
- 28.89 The discontinuation of the Central Registry in 1983 has resulted in the existence of numerous, uncontrolled, paper-based filing systems containing duplicates and ephemeral information. There is also insufficient control over electronic records. Consequently, records management programmes need to be further developed so that the Secretariat can maintain and retrieve information in an efficient manner, both at Headquarters and in overseas offices.
- 28.90 The records management programme has suffered from lack of authority and, in addition, needs more professional/para-professional staff and full utilization of available computer technology to apply records management to office-generated electronic records.
- 28.91 The physical separation of the Archives (Park Avenue South) and Records Management (Secretariat building) functions results in a loss of economies, creates inefficiencies in file retrievals and compromises the security of sensitive records.
- 28.92 The growth of the Organization, voluminous transfers from the terminated Central Registry and intensified accession of records from overseas offices have resulted in a critical shortage of space for records storage.

- 28.93 In the existing facilities, temperature control, particularly for non-conventional records, is inadequate.
- 28.94 The nature and volume of non-current records accumulating in United Nations overseas duty stations are unknown, which could result in the permanent loss of the archives of such United Nations bodies. The problem is intensified by the lack of central administration for such stations and by the fact that these records offices are not staffed by professional archivists.

(d) Strategy

(i) Situation at the end of 1987

Replace paragraph 28.95 by the following text:

28.95 The initial phase of computerization was begun and an administrative instruction was issued in which rules for classification and declassification were introduced. In January 1987, a Working Group on the Relocation of the Archives recommended relocation to Headquarters. Late in 1987, a technical panel on electronic records management was established within the Advisory Committee for the Co-ordination of Information Systems with the task of studying the impact of new technologies on traditional records management. An archives and records management specialist is a full member of the panel.

(ii) For the plan period 1984-1991

Replace paragraph 28.96 by the following text:

- 28.96 Further consideration will be given to the question of how the new technologies might best be accommodated, both in terms of securing immediate gains in efficiency and in providing for long-term preservation for administrative, legal and historical purposes.
- (a) Upon completion of the current tests of optical disk and other technologies for automated information storage and retrieval in the United Nations Secretariat, a final decision will be taken concerning the establishment of a modern, automated local area network (LAN), as a replacement for the existing numerous, uncontrolled and decentralized paper-based filing systems;
- (b) To achieve the above objectives, efforts will be made to ensure the implementation of subparagraph 28.96 (a) above that departments and offices assume records management responsibilities under the direction of the Archives and Records Management Section, that Secretariat-wide records surveys, including electronic records are undertaken in order to establish a comprehensive disposition programme and, that automated control of records is introduced throughout their life-cycle;
- (c) Through participation in the ACCIS Technical Panel on Records Management, it is expected that guidelines will be issued for the implementation of modern electronic records management;
- (d) To meet these requirements, extensive training for the United Nations staff will be introduced;

- (e) The archives and records management functions will be combined and will co-operate closely with the Electronic Services Division. The Secretariat records are but one component in a larger United Nations Information System, and a standardized automated records management system is required to ensure their integration into an automated information infrastructure;
- (f) To minimize the negative effect of the physical separation of the archives and records management functions, maximum utilization of modern electronic communications will be utilized between the two offices;
- (g) The problems of temperature control and storage will be addressed in the context of the resolution of the relocation question;
- (h) Advisory services to offices away from Headquarters will continue to be provided. The programme at Headquarters will serve as a model for overseas offices. A study of the United Nations organizations overseas will be undertaken with a view to determining the feasibility of concentrating all non-current records and archives in a central repository.

SUBPROGRAMME 4. BROADCAST AND CONFERENCE ENGINEERING*

(a) Legislative authority

28.98 The legislative authority for the subprogramme is General Assembly resolutions 32/204 and 37/14 E.

(b) Objectives

- 28.99 The general objective is to provide the communications electronic expertise, facilities and personnel necessary to enable the Organization to act as a forum for negotiations at Headquarters and to provide efficient related support services to Member States, specifically:
- (a) To provide direction and co-ordination for the United Nations conference rooms electronic systems, radio and television electronic facilities and security electronic systems;
- (b) To provide, many je, operate and maintain in a reliable and efficient manner the electronic systems and services necessary for the Organization to conduct conferences and meetings at Headquarters and to advise, plan and co-ordinate modifications and improvements to the electronic installations and services at other duty stations to ensure maximum efficiency and compatibility;
- (c) To provide improved technical facilities and operational support for the dissemination of information related to the work of the Organization and its various agencies;
- (d) To secure for the United Nations the potential benefits and savings resulting from the introduction of modern technological innovations in the fields outlined previously by keeping abreast of latest technical developments in the

^{*} New subprogramme.

electronic fields of communications, broadcasting, conference servicing, and public information programmes, e.g., teleconferencing, remote location simultaneous interpretation, and assessing their applicability to United Nations requirements.

(c) Problems addressed

28.100 The austerity measures taken to remedy the financial crisis have slowed down the planned work programmes of modernization of electronic systems in conference rooms and broadcasting facilities. In addition, the short-term solutions given to specific technical support servicing problems over the past several years calls for a thorough reassessment to ensure that the Organization's present and future requirements are met in the most effective and economical manner.

28.101 The fast changing technologies leading to the emergence of computerized systems and digital techniques in all aspects of the services provided create the necessity to constantly monitor, analyse and revise our approaches to the needs of the Organization to ensure cost-effective applications. Furthermore, there is the need to provide adequate training and support to the staff to achieve optimum utilization of technological innovations while avoiding unnecessary loss of effectiveness and waste of resources.

(d) Strategy

(i) Situation at the end of 1987

28.102 In its resolution 37/14 E of 14 November 1982, the General Assembly requested that the programme for gradually replacing and upgrading electronic equipment be commenced. Of the 15 conference rooms at Headquarters, six have been modernized with new electronic systems instead of 10 as planned. The work programme has been revised accordingly. A new system of conference room listening units has been implemented through the new telephone system. Work has begun on computerizing the stockroom and maintenance activities in order to develop a better flow of information and control for management. Programmes are under way to replace obsolete equipment and technologies in the areas associated with archives recording and audio distribution.

(ii) For the plan period 1984-1991

28.103 The principal programme for the plan period includes:

1991 - Conference Room 2;

(a) Upgrading the telecommunication and electronic support facilities in the conference rooms at Headquarters in accordance with the mandate and priorities established by the General Assembly. The work planned is listed below:

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1988 - Security Council Consultation Room;
1989 - General Assembly Hall;
1989 - Trusteeship Council Room;
1990 - Conference Room 1;
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- (b) Feasibility studies, systems analysis and design work will be carried out in order to determine means of implementing new technologies and equipment in all technical support servicing areas;
- (c) To ensure smooth continuity of operations, steps will be taken to improve and increase the level of the technical support servicing in co-operation and in co-or ination with the requesting parties and services.

(e) Continuing activities

- 28.104 Other than the major projects listed above, most of the activities are of a continuing nature and are reviewed on a regular basis in order to identify possible improvements in efficiency and effectiveness:
 - (a) Conference room electronic support operation;
 - (b) Radio and television broadcast operation;
 - (c) Security and safety electronic surveillance systems;
 - (d) Dictaphone equipment operations;
- (e) Technical support services for the electronic systems in the Publishing Division of the Department of Conference Services.

The following text modifies the general orientation of the major programme under chapter 29 in A/37/6/Add.2 to reflect decisions taken as a result of General Assembly resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986.

I. GENERAL ORIENTATION OF THE MAJOR PROGRAMME

Replace paragraphs 29.2 to 29.5 of A/37/6/Add.2 with the following text:

- 29.2 A new Eletronic Services Division was established in 1987 within the Office of General Services to reflect the confluence of technologies in the fields of telecommunications and eletronic data processing. The new Division develops and administers policies for the creation and operation of integrated information systems serving the varying needs of the Organization. This entails an ongoing integration and co-ordination of multiple subsystems, at varying phases of design and implementation, serving the management information needs of a wide range of programmes of activity.
- 29.3 Communications activities, previously programmed under major programme "General services" (chapter 28), represent an area of urgent priority for review. Programme decentralization has made it necessary to provide faster and more efficient communications between Headquarters and major overseas offices. Additionally, as a result of an unstructured approach to the development of a United Nations communications network in the past, coupled with the rapid advances in communications technology, it is now necessary to undertake a comprehensive assessment of current and future United Nations communications requirements. In order to do this effectively and efficiently, communications and electronic data-processing activities have been brought under a common managerial function.
- 29.4 In view of the increasing number of units in the Organization introducing modern office technology for the performance of their programme activities, the new Division has also been entrusted with the task of co-ordinating the progress achieved in order to secure for the United Nations the benefits and savings resulting from the introduction of technological innovations. Emphasis will be placed on developing the infrastructure in substantive offices to support the extensive introduction of electronic services planned. In addition, attempts will be made to improve co-ordination of electronic services activities among the various United Nations offices and the regional commissions. Secretariat support for the activities of the Technological Innovations Board will continue to be provided.
- 29.5 Information systems development has not kept pace with the needs of the Organization. Over the past 20 years, as computer technology has developed and become more accessible, the demand for computer services has increased dramatically. In the absence of an overall strategy in this area, information systems were developed in isolation and addressed only the immediate needs of a particular unit of a specific function. The lack of integrated systems development has particularly affected the Organization in the area of administration and management, where most information is interrelated and needs to be shared. Few systems in the areas of administration and management capture and utilize common information efficiently; much duplication of effort exists and many operations which can and should be automated continue to be performed manually. During the

plan period, therefore, the Organization intends to complete a significant part of an Organization-wide integrated management information system (IMIS), which will ensure that accurate, timely and consistent administrative and financial information is available to decision-makers, that key operations and functions are properly supported and that available technology is used in the most effective manner.

29.5A Improving the productivity of those engaged in developing computer-based information systems and providing communications services will also be a primary objective of management. To this end, an extensive review of training needs will be conducted. Attention will be given to improving the working environment as a further means to improving productivity.

II. PROGRAMMES

PROGRAMME 1. ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT SERVICE

SUBPROGRAMME. ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT SERVICE

<u>Delete</u> programme 1 entitled "Administrative management service" (paras. 29.6 t. 29.13) in A/37/6/Add.2. The continuing functions described in this programme will be included in a new subprogramme entitled "Evaluation and management analysis" under chapter 26.

PROGRAMME 1. INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES*

Rename programme 2 entitled "Internal audit services", contained in A/37/6/Add.2, programme 1 "Internal audit services", as revised below.

SUBPROGRAMME. INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES*

The following text modifies paragraghs 29.14, 29.18 and 29.19 of A/37/6/Add.2.

(a) Legislative authority

29.14 Add the following to the end of the paragraph: "and the relevant provisions of General Assembly resolution 42/206 of 11 December 1987 entitled 'Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors'".

(d) Strategy

29.18 The heading of subparagraph (ii) <u>should read</u> as follows: "For the plan period 1990-1991".

(e) Continuing activities

29.19 Under subparagraph (a) ECWA and ECLA should read ESCWA and ECLAC.

Delete the text of subparagraphs (b) and (i).

^{*} New programme/subprogramme title.

Insert new subparagraphs as follows:

- (b) United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund;
- (i) International Drug Control;

PROGRAMME 2. ELECTRONIC SUPPORT SERVICES*

It is proposed that this new programme <u>replace</u> and <u>supersede</u> the entire programme 4 entitled "Electronic data-processing and information systems services" (paras. 29.28 to 29.47) under chapter 29, and subprogramme 2 entitled "Communications" (paras. 28.78 to 28.85) of programme 3 entitled "Technical support services", under chapter 28 of A/37/6/Add.2.

Subprogrammes

SUBPROGRAMME 1. COMMUNICATIONS*

The inclusion of this subprogramme entitled "Communications" under programme 2, is intended to reflect the consolidation of telecommunications activities with the operation of the telecomunications systems network of the mainframe computers, mini- and micro-computer systems network of the United Nations.

The following text modifies paragraphs 28.78 to 28.85 of A/37/6/Add.2:

- (a) Legislative authority
- 29.20 Same text as paragraph 28.78 of A/37/6/Add.2.
- (b) Objectives
- 29.21 Same text as partyraph 28.79 of A/37/6/Add.2.
- (c) Problems addressed

The following text replaces subparagraphs 28.80 and 28.81:

- 29.22 There is a continuing and growing need for consistent, dependable electronic communications services between Headquarters and the regional commissions and other major overseas offices. This need will be even more critical with the introduction of the planned integrated management information system, now in its formative stages.
- 29.23 In the past, solutions to the Organization's communications needs have often been met on an <u>ad hoc</u> basis. Steps must be taken to ensure that communications requirements are met in a more planned, controlled manner.

^{*} New programme/subprogramme title.

29.24 Concomitant with important developments in the communications/computer area, there has been an increase in the demand for data networks and for electronic mail by many substantive offices. To date, the facilities available have not been sufficient to meet the increase in demand for services.

(d) Strategy

(i) Situation as at the end of 1987

The following text replaces subparagraphs 28.82 and 28.83:

29.25 An integrated communications network connecting the major duty stations using leased commercial lines has been developed and is in operation between Headquarters and the United Nations Office at Geneva, the United Nations Offices at Vienna and Nairobi, as well as the regional commissions, with the exceptions of ECA and ESCWA. Some operating problems have been experienced and these are being addressed on a case-by-case basis. The dedicated data line between the mainframe computer in New York and Geneva was upgraded to handle more traffic. A satellite-based communications system has been established, and two Earth stations have been installed. A new computer-based telephone switch has been installed at Headquarters and enhancements have been ordered that will allow access to the mainframe computer through the telephone switch by different types of terminals.

29.26 Access to data bases housed on the United Nations mainframe computer has been provided to 15 missions on an experimental basis. Software to monitor telecommunications processes on the mainframe was acquired, as was software associated with packet switching networks (electronic mail). A major project to provide the Department of Public Information with a telecommunications link to United Nations information centres was inaugurated. Research into the acquisition of access to the facilities of a Public Data Network was initiated. This will provide a facility for United Nations offices to access other computer systems and non-United Nations data bases. A project on the requirements of an electronic mail facility for the Organization was also initiated. A help desk to assist remote users of the facilities of the New York computer system was created.

(ii) For the plan period 1984-1991

The following text replaces paragraph 28.84.

29.27 It is expected that the satellite communications system will be completed. The present telex switches at Headquarters and Geneva, which are obsolete, will be replaced. Work will continue on improving the services provided by the AVD lines; the line to ECA will be established as planned; all lines will be carefully monitored using new procedures. The telephone system will be fine-tuned and additional facilities acquired. The United Nations, in collaboration with ITU, will continue its efforts to extend the use of the United Nations communications system to the specialized agencies. Accounting and cost recovery procedures for telecommunications services will be reviewed. The physical environment in the cable room will be improved.

29.28 The process of acquisition of access to a Public Data Network, begun in late 1987, will be completed and evaluated after a year's operation. The help desk will be enhanced and expanded to provide service on a 24 hour basis. An electronic mail facility will be installed.

(e) Continuing activities

29.29 Same text as in paragraph 28.85 of A/37/6/Add.2:

SUBPROGRAMME 2. TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATIONS*

It is proposed that this new subprogramme <u>replace</u> and <u>supersede</u> programme 3 entitled "Introduction of technological innovations" (paras. 29.20 to 29.27) in A/37/6/Add.2.

The following text modifies paragraphs 29.20 to 29.27 in A/37/6/Add.2:

(a) Legislative authority

29.30 Same text as in paragraph 29.20 of A/37/6/Add.2.

(b) Objectives

29.31 The objective of this subprogramme is to secure for the United Nations the fullest operational benefits and maximum savings resulting from the introduction of modern office technology, including, but not exclusively, micro- and mini-computers and special equipment and software packages, such as optical character recognition equipment and desk-top publishing systems.

(c) Problems addressed

29.32 At a time of unprecedented diversity in new products available at the desk-top level, there has been an uneven development in the use of these products in the Organization. Training, although critical to the proper use of new technology, has not been addressed as fully as the demand would require. Certain important policy issues, such as centralization versus decentralization, have just been recognized as critical to proper planning. The speed with which new products and techniques are reaching the marketplace necessitates a constant research effort.

(d) Strategy

(i) Situation as at the end of 1987

29.33 Word-processing equipment has been installed throughout the Organization. In all, nearly 1,000 multilingual workstations, including those in the Department of Conference Services, have been installed and receive maintenance and software support under this subprogramme. A major replacement programme was initiated, and small central processing units were consolidated onto minicomputers in several departments. A document exchange network based on the word-processing systems was in operation, providing links not only among word-processing systems, but also with the mainframe computer, and through it to the United Nations Office at Geneva and the United Nations Office at Vienna, Nairobi and other locations. An automated inventory system was in place for most of the office automation equipment. The installation and support of several models of microcomputers had expanded

^{*} New subprogramme title.

significantly by the end of 1987 and microcomputer acquisition and support was consolidated under one organizational unit. New models of printers were investigated, and research on several minicomputer software packages had begun. A microcomputer standard was drafted and the review process initiated.

(ii) For the plan period 1984-1991

- 29.34 Office automation is an area of activity which can impact the entire work programme of the Organization. Retrenchment will make stringent demands for increased productivity, translating into two demands on the technological innovations programme: to make better use of existing facilities and to introduce new technologies that will further increase productivity. Training both for technicians and for the hundreds of users throughout the Organization, is an area that will continue to be of high priority in the quest for increased productivity of staff serving the Organization, particularly at a time of reduced availability of resources.
- 29.35 Maintenance and inventory support will be expanded to include all models of microcomputers. Research into new technologies will take place, including, but not exclusively: desktop publishing; laptop microcomputers; optical character recognition and optical disk storage. The training programme for office automation will be reviewed and updated, in co-operation with the Training Service, with a view to strengthening the automation infrastructure in the Organization. The United Nations word-processing standard will be subject to review in 1988. Special-purpose software packages will be acquired and tested, and, where feasible, installed in substantive offices.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. MAINFRAME COMPUTER SERVICES*

It is proposed that this new subprogramme <u>replace</u> previous subprogramme 3 entitled "Computer hardware, software and related facilities" (paras. 29.41 to 29.47) within former programme 4 entitled "Electronic data-processing and information systems services".

The following text modifies paragraphs 29.41 to 29.47 in A/37/6/Add.2:

(a) Legislative authority

29.36 Same text as in paragraph 29.41 of A/37/6/Add.2.

(b) Objectives

29.37 The objective of this subprogramme is to ensure that an efficient, responsive computer operation is available to serve all offices in the Organization whose mandated programmes require computer support.

(c) Problems addressed

29,38 The operation of a large computer facility has become increasingly more complex over the last few years: the addition of special software to the operating

^{*} New subprogramme title.

system, the requirement of continually upgrading the basic operating system software and the need for the implementation of more stringent data protection standards has placed an increasing reliance on the competence and skills of in-house staff as opposed to periodic external expertise. Capacity planning, telecommunications activities and resources management all require training and additional personnel to be properly performed. More regular communications with clients is necessary to be able to serve their needs better.

(d) Strategy

(i) Situation as at the end of 1987

- 29.39 Services relating to access to and use of an IBM model 3091 mainframe computer and appropriate disk storage were provided to organizational units at Headquarters. In addition, the New York computer system, linked via a dedicated telecommunications line to Geneva, made the International Computing Centre installation accessible to United Nations users. Service was also provided to UNDP and UNICEF on a cost-reimbursable basis.
- 29.40 Software packages to improve the operations and control of the mainframe computer were researched and requisitioned. Among these are those related to disk management, capacity planning, network monitoring and system monitoring in general. A shift from magnetic tape to more compact cartridge tapes was initiated. More advanced printers using laser technology were installed.

(ii) For the plan period 1984-1991

- 29.41 There are three groups of activities now being implemented that will have an impact on the use of the main computer facility. The first of these relates to the development of a network linking mainframes operated by the United Nations. The second is the prospect of bringing in-house a major econometric system for the Statistical Office, which is currently running on a large university computer system. Thirdly, the integrated management information system is bound to have an impact on the operations of the central computing facility in terms of performance and resource requirements.
- 29.42 During this period, an extensive training programme designed to enhance the skills of the current staff will be introduced. The special software packages requisitioned in 1987 will be installed, and a sophisticated data-base management package acquired. Certain hardware devices, especially those associated with telecommunications, will be upgraded to accommodate the expected increase in communications activities. The help desk will be expanded. This period will also see the installation of an electronic mail facility linking the micro-, mini- and mainframe computers. Conversion of data storage from magnetic reels to cartridge tapes will be completed.
- 29.43 Data security, including backup procedures will be reviewed and disaster plans designed. The hours of operation will be extended to cover 24-hour service, seven days a week, as communications requirements demand.

SUBPROGRAMME 4. ADVISORY AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS SUPPORT*

It is proposed that this new programme <u>replace</u> previous subprogramme 2 entitled "Technical advisory and information systems support services" within previous programme 4 entitled "Electronic data-processing and information systems services".

The following text modifies paragraphs 29.35 to 29.40 of A/37/6/Add.2:

(a) Legislative authority

29.44 Same text as paragraph 29.35 of A/37/6/Add.2.

(b) Objectives

29.45 Same text as paragraph 29 36 of A/37/6/Add.2.

(c) Problems addressed

29.46 There is a continuing need for the development of new programme applications and maintenance of existing information systems. The early systems were developed by end-users on an <u>ad hoc</u> basis and in isolation from each other. These systems require constant revisions initiated by end-users often entailing conflicting demands for service. There is, however, no mechanism in place that allows for the establishment of priorities among requests for service.

(d) Strategy

(i) Situation as at the end of 1987

29.47 With the extensive reorganization of departments and offices resulting from the retrenchment under General Assembly resolution 41/213, there has been an increased reliance on electronic systems solutions to the day-to-day problems of managing the implementation and delivery of mandated programmes. A backlog of requests for information systems support has thus developed as a result of a growing sophistication and understanding on the part of the users of the capabilities stemming from recent developments in electronic information processing technology.

(ii) For the plan period 1984-1991

29.48 In order to cope with an increasing work-load, the productivity of the systems analysts and programmers will be enhanced by a combination of training and the acquisition of productivity-enhancing tools, such as a fourth generation data-base management system (DBMS) package. Staff will also be provided with microcomputers to assist them in design and development work, and in their tasks of providing advisory services to users.

29.49 An effort will be made to off-load system/programme maintenance so that the analysts and programmers will be available to assist in the implementation of new

^{*} New subprogramme title.

systems, such as the Integrated Management Information System (IMIS), as well as to strengthen the end-user support and advisory role of the Information Management Service.

29.50 New developments in computer-assisted text storage and retrieval, document printing technology, and access to data bases continue to be explored and findings disseminated to interested users.

SUBPROGRAMME 5. PARTICIPATION IN UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS ACTIVITIES

Existing subprogramme 4 under programme 4 entitled "Electronic data-processing and information systems services" (paras. 29.48 to 29.51) in A/37/6/Add.2 is renamed subprogramme 5 under programme 2 entitled "Electronic support services".

The following text modifies paragraphs 29.48 to 29.51 in A/37/6/Add.2:

- (a) Legislative authority
- 29.51 Same text as in paragraph 29.48 in A/37/6/Add.2.
- (b) Objective
- 29.52 Same text as in paragraph 29.49 in A/37/6/Add.2.
- (c) Problems addressed
- 29.53 Same text as in paragraph 29.50 in A/37/6/Add.2.
- (d) Strategy
 - (i) Situation as at the end of 1987

29.54 The interests of the United Nations are represented on the Management Committee of the International Computing Centre (ICC) at Geneva. The Organization thus participates fully and actively in policy matters relating to the governance of ICC. The services of ICC are utilized extensively by the United Nations offices at Geneva, the Statistical Office, UNCTAD and ECE. There is also an active participation in the Advisory Committee for the Co-ordination of Information Systems (ACCIS), including membership in the Telecommunications Technical Panel (TP/COM).

(ii) For the period 1984-1991

29.55 Same text as in paragraph 29.51 of A/37/6/Add.2, replacing the text of subparagraph (d) "Data base on documents for development" by "Participation in records management activities".

CHAPTER 30. CONFERENCE AND LIBRARY SERVICES

PROGRAMME 1. EDITORIAL AND OFFICIAL RECORDS SERVICES

Subprogrammes

SUBPROGRAMME 3. TYPING SERVICES*

It is proposed to <u>rename</u> subprogramme 3 entitled "Stenographic services" in A/37/6/Add.2 to read as above.

PROGRAMME 2. INTERPRETATION AND MEETINGS SERVICE

The following text modifies paragraph 30.64 of the medium-term plan for the period 1984-1989 contained in A/37/6/Add.2.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. VERBATIM REPORTING SERVICE

(b) Objectives

30.64 Add "Chinese," after "Arabic," in paragraph 30.64 of A/37/6/Add.2:

PROGRAMME 5. DAG HAMMARSKJOLD LIBRARY SERVICES

The following text modifies paragraphs 30.131 to 30.136 of A/37/6/Add.2:

Subprogrammes

SUBPROGRAMME 1. COLLECTION, DEVELOPMENT AND ORGANIZATION OF INFORMATION*

It is proposed to <u>rename</u> subprogramme 1 entitled "Collection and organization of information" in A/37/6/Add.2 to read as above.

The following text replaces paragraphs 30.131 to 30.136 in A/37/6/Add.2.

- 30.131 Computer networking with the Library of the United Nations Office at Geneva and those of some of the regional commissions will be expanded and the number of documents indexed and added to the data base by the networking partners will increase.
- 30.132 In order to be usable for the on-line service which is now available, the United Nations documents data base must be complete and absolutely current. This will require early input of documents as they are produced and timely completion of subject analysis by the Library.

^{*} New subprogramme title.

- 30.133 Processing the information and distributing the data bases to outside users necessitates the preparation of a number of tools, such as reference manuals, cataloguing manuals, thesauri and authority files. This set of tools will be used by the network of United Nations system libraries.
- 30.134 Among other activities, the Library plans the following:
- (a) To acquire, catalogue and store documents and publications from all over the world and to make the bibliographic data available through an integrated on-line information network;
- (b) To provide bibliographic control of the documents and publications of the United Nations, through maintenance of on-line bibliographic and factual data bases and preparation of published indexes;
- (c) To maintain current factual and full-text data bases of resolutions and roll-call votes of major United Nations organs, through the direct transfer of material from the medium on which it was produced to the Library computer storage facility;
 - (d) To promote networking with other libraries in the United Nations system.

Renumber paragraph 30.137 in A/37/6/Add.2 as 30.135 and renumber the following paragraphs accordingly.

PROGRAMME 6. CONFERENCE SERVICES, GENEVA

<u>Subprogrammes</u>

SUBPROGRAMME 1. PLANNING, MEETINGS AND DOCUMENTS CONTROL SERVICES*

It is proposed to <u>rename</u> subprogramme 1 entitled "Conference services" in A/36/6/Add.2 to read as above.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. TRANSLATION, EDITORIAL AND TYPING SERVICES*

It is proposed to rename subprogramme 3 entitled "Language service" in A/36/6/Add.2 to read as above.

^{*} New subprogramme title.

CHAPTER 31. PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATION

It is proposed (a) to <u>rename</u> the major programme (chapter 31) entitled "Programme planning and co-ordination", contained in document A/37/6/Add.3, to read "Programme co-ordination", as above and (b) to <u>transfer</u> programme 1 entitled "Programme planning" and its four subprogrammes to chapter 26 entitled "Programme planning, budgeting and financial services" to reflect changes resulting from the initial implementation of General Assembly resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986 on the review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations, whereby functions relating to programme planning, budgeting, monitoring and evaluation have been brought under a coherent structure.

I. GENERAL ORIENTATION OF THE MAJOR PROGRAMME

The following text modifies paragraphs 31.1 to 31.5 of A/37/6/Add.3:

31.1 <u>Delete</u> the second sentence and the words "In addition" following this sentence.

Del e paragraphs 31.2 and 31.3 of A/37/6/Add.3.

31.4 Replace the first sentence of this paragraph with the following text:

This programme aims at promoting and facilitating concerted and coherent implementation by the bodies of the United Nations system of the policy guidelines, directives and priorities established by the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council.

Renumber paragraph 31.4 to read 31.2.

31.5 <u>Delete</u> the words "of programme 2" from the second sentence of this paragraph and <u>renumber</u> the paragraph to read 31.3.

II. PROGRAMMES

PROGRAMME 1. PROGRAMME PLANNING

Delete programme 1 and its subprogrammes (paras. 31.6 to 31.28 of A/37/6/Add.3). This programme has been transferred to chapter 26.

PROGRAMME 2. PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATION*

Rename programme 2 entitled "Co-ordination" contained in A/37/6/Add.3 to read "Programme co-ordination" as above.

SUBPROGRAMME 1. ANALYSIS OF THE STATE OF CO-ORDINATION

Renumber paragraphs 31.29 to 31.32 to read paragraphs 31.4 to 31.7.

SUBPROGRAMME 2. HARMONIZATION OF POLICIES, PLANS AND PROGRAMMES

Renumber paragraphs 31.33 to 31.36 to read paragraphs 31.8 to 31.11.

SUBPROGRAMME 3. DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS FOR PROGRAMME AND CO-ORDINATION

Renumber paragraphs 31.37 to 31.42 to read paragraphs 31.12 to 31.17.

Notes

- 1/ ST/SGB/204.
- 2/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/37/6 and Corr.1 and Add.1-3).
- 3/ <u>Ibid.</u>, <u>Forty-second Session</u>, <u>Supplement No. 16</u> (A/42/16), part two, para. 100.
 - 4/ Ibid., Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/41/6 and Add.1).
 - 5/ Ibid., Supplement No. 49 (A/41/49), sect. III D.
 - 6/ United Nations publication, Sales No. E.86.IV.3.

^{*} New programme title.

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