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CHANGES FOR 2004-2005**

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SUMMARY

The present document contains proposed changes to the programme of work, 2004-2005. The programme changes are necessitated by the recommendation of the Committee on Managing Globalization, at its first session, held in November 2003, that an ad hoc intergovernmental meeting on sustainable tourism development be convened, and that of the Committee on Statistics, at its thirteenth session held in November 2002, that a high-level conference of Asia-Pacific statisticians be convened. A further change relates to the inclusion, in the subprogramme, Poverty and development, of phase II of the joint ESCAP/UNDP project on supporting the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals in Asia and the Pacific.

The changes have no additional regular budget programme implications.

The Commission may note that as the United Nations Secretariat moves from output-oriented reporting to results-based management, minor programme changes will be reflected in the ESCAP programme performance report at the end of the biennium.

The Commission is invited to review this document with a view to endorsing it.

Page of report	Outputs in the programme of work, 2004-2005 (Report of the Commission on phase I of its fifty-ninth session (E/ESCAP/1298), annex I)	Proposed changes	Justification
Subprogramme 1. Poverty and development			
16	III. Technical cooperation (RB/XB)		
	3. <i>Provision of technical cooperation projects on:</i>		
		<u>Add</u> Joint technical cooperation project with UNDP on supporting the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals in Asia and the Pacific (phase II) (2004-2005) (RB/XB)	After the successful completion of phase I of this UNDP/ ESCAP initiative (2001-2003), culminating in the production of a regional millennium development goal report in 2003, UNDP and ESCAP have agreed to implement phase II of the project in close collaboration with other partners.
Subprogramme 2. Statistics			
18	I. Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (RB)		
		<u>Add</u> <i>Assistance to intergovernmental bodies under their established mandates:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• High-level Conference of Asia-Pacific Statisticians, first session (APEX 1) (2005) (RB)	At its thirteenth session, the Committee on Statistics endorsed the recommendation that such a meeting be held. Resource requirements can be accommodated within the existing allocation to the subprogramme.

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Subprogramme 4. Transport and tourism			
24	I. Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (RB)		
		<u>Add</u> <i>Substantive servicing of an ad hoc intergovernmental meeting, including the preparation of related documents:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ad hoc intergovernmental meeting on sustainable tourism development (2005) (RB) 	As endorsed by the Committee on Managing Globalization at its first session (Bangkok, November 2003). Resource requirements can be accommodated within the existing allocation to the subprogramme through deletion of the following two 2005 outputs: (i) Tourism Review (2005), and (ii) Seminar on strengthening national capabilities in the sound and sustainable development of tourism (2005).
24	II. Other substantive activities (RB/XB)		
	<i>1. Provision of data, information and analysis through:</i>		
	<u>Recurrent publications</u>		
		<u>Delete</u> 1.3 Tourism Review (2005) (RB/XB)	Delete one output in 2005. Resources to be redeployed to the implementation of an ad hoc intergovernmental meeting on sustainable tourism development (2005) (RB).

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25	III. Technical cooperation (RB/XB)		
	<i>2. Provision of group training on:</i>		
		<u>Delete</u> 2.6 Strengthening national capabilities in the sound and sustainable development of tourism (2005) (RB/XB)	Delete one output in 2005. Resources to be redeployed to the implementation of an ad hoc intergovernmental meeting on sustainable tourism development (2005) (RB).

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