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Note by the Secretary-General

In accordance with article 9, paragraph 2, of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit (General Assembly resolution 31/192, annex), the Secretary-General has the honour to transmit to the members of the General Assembly the work programme of the Unit for 1984.

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ANNEX

Work programme of the Joint Inspection Unit for 1984

The following work programme was drawn up in accordance with article 9, paragraph 1, of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit (annex to General Assembly resolution 31/192 of 22 December 1976). As hitherto, the work programme is subject to change in the course of the year; new studies may be added and planned studies may be modified, postponed or cancelled when circumstances warrant.

1. Restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system
  - (a) Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific.
  - (b) Office of Secretariat Services for Economic and Social Matters, United Nations Secretariat.
  - (c) Structure of field representation of organizations of the United Nations system.
  - (d) Concluding report on restructuring.
  
2. Development co-operation
  - (a) Transport and Communications Decade in Africa.
  - (b) Aspects of technical co-operation of the International Atomic Energy Agency.
  - (c) United Nations technical co-operation activities in Central America and the Caribbean.
  - (d) Role of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in South-East Asia.
  - (e) Joint project, co-sponsored by the Nordic countries and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, on communication development.
  - (f) Contribution of the United Nations system to the conservation and management of cultural and natural heritage in Africa.
  - (g) Contribution of the United Nations system to the conservation and management of cultural and natural heritage in Western Asia.
  - (h) Technical co-operation among developing countries.

3. Management and co-ordination

- (a) Computerized information systems in the Geneva-based organizations.
- (b) World Food Programme: programming matters.
- (c) Administrative arrangements for services in cities in which several organizations of the United Nations system have offices.
- (d) Drug abuse control activities in the United Nations system.
- (e) Costs and efficiency of the staff of the United Nations Secretariat.
- (f) Relations between non-governmental organizations and the United Nations system.
- (g) Reporting to the Economic and Social Council.

4. Personnel

- (a) Medium-term recruitment plan for the United Nations Secretariat.
- (b) World Food Programme: personnel matters.

5. Evaluation

- (a) Status of evaluation in the United Nations system.

6. Preliminary studies

In addition to the above studies for which it is planned to issue formal reports, the Unit will continue work on a preliminary study entitled "Aspects of peace-keeping activities of the United Nations" and will begin work on a new preliminary study entitled "Technical co-operation between the United Nations and intergovernmental Arab organizations".

7. The Inspectors will also carry out a number of internal reviews designed to improve the efficiency of the Unit.

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