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* With regard to resolution GC.4/Res.27, voting also took place on the inclusion of footnote a/ to paragraph 2 of the resolution (see GC.4/SR.11, paras. 118-120) and on the inclusion of paragraph 8 (see GC.4/SR.11, paras. 114-117).

Introductory note

1. The 25 decisions and 30 resolutions adopted by the General Conference at its fourth regular session (1991) are reproduced in this booklet.
2. The table of contents, for ease of reference, lists a serial number by which each decision or resolution may be cited, the title of each decision and resolution, the pertinent background document(s), a reference to the summary record of the plenary meeting at which the decision or resolution was adopted, results of voting where applicable, and the relevant agenda item. Decisions and resolutions are, as far as possible, set out in the order of the agenda.
3. This booklet should be read in conjunction with the summary records of the General Conference, where details of the proceedings - including voting, where applicable - are provided.

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GC.4/Dec.1 LISTS OF STATES INCLUDED IN
ANNEX I TO THE CONSTITUTION

The General Conference decided to include Lithuania in List D of Annex I to the Constitution.

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GC.4/Dec.2 ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT

The General Conference elected by acclamation Mr. Leopoldo LOPEZ COSSIO (Bolivia) President of the Conference at its fourth session.

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GC.4/Dec.3 ELECTION OF THE VICE-PRESIDENTS

The General Conference elected the following Vice-Presidents of the Conference at its fourth session: Mr. A. KERAMANE (Algeria), Mr. R. WOTAVA (Austria), Mr. A. D. BERRE (Gabon), Mr. M. R. NEMATZADEH (Iran, Islamic Republic of), Mr. F. SALLOUKH (Lebanon), Mr. J. A. PORTO CARRERO (Peru), Mr. M. KULCYCKI (Poland), Mr. V. A. MIKHAILOV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics), Mr. G. CLARK (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland).

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GC.4/Dec.4 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA OF THE
FOURTH SESSION OF THE
GENERAL CONFERENCE

The General Conference adopted the agenda of its fourth session as contained in document GC.4/5.

1st plenary meeting
18 November 1991

GC.4/Dec.5 ORGANIZATION OF WORK

The General Conference:

(a) Decided to establish, in accordance with rule 44 of its rules of procedure, one Main Committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. V. Cserveny (Hungary), on which each Member participating in the Conference might be represented;

(b) Decided to allocate agenda items 8 to 11, 13 to 37 and 40 to the Main Committee and requested the Main Committee to submit to the Conference on Thursday, 21 November 1991 a written report on its work in accordance with decision GC.3/Dec.11;

(c) Also decided to cover agenda items 7 to 40 in the plenary in the form of a general debate.

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GC.4/Dec.6 OBSERVER STATUS WITH UNIDO

The General Conference, pursuant to Articles 4.1 and 4.3 of the Constitution and rule 30.4 of its rules of procedure, confirmed the observer status with UNIDO of the African National Congress (ANC) and the Pan Africanist Congress of Azania (PAC) and the right of ANC and PAC respectively to participate, without the right of vote, in the deliberations of the Conference on matters of particular concern to them.

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18 November 1991

GC.4/Dec.7 APPOINTMENT OF THE CREDENTIALS
COMMITTEE

The General Conference appointed the following Members to serve on the Credentials Committee: Belgium, Belize, Chile, China, Lesotho, Malaysia, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and United States of America.

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GC.4/Dec.8 CREDENTIALS OF REPRESENTATIVES
TO THE FOURTH SESSION OF THE
GENERAL CONFERENCE

The General Conference approved the report of the Credentials Committee on the credentials of representatives to the fourth session of the General Conference (GC.4/L.3) as reflected in summary record GC.4/SR.9, paragraphs 1-11.

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GC.4/Dec.9 ELECTION OF TWENTY-SIX MEMBERS
TO THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT
BOARD

The General Conference, in pursuance of Article 9.1 of the Constitution, elected the following twenty-six members to the Industrial Development Board to hold office until the close of the sixth regular session of the Conference in 1995:

(a) Fifteen members from States in Lists A and C of Annex I to the Constitution: Bolivia, Brazil, Cameroon, Chile, China, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guinea, Kuwait, Pakistan, Republic of Korea, Thailand, Tunisia, Venezuela, Zimbabwe;

(b) Eight members from States in List B of Annex I to the Constitution: Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Norway, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America;

(c) Three members from States in List D of Annex I to the Constitution: Belarus, Czechoslovakia, Romania.

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As a result, the Industrial Development Board is composed of the following States: Austria*, Belarus**, Belgium**, Bolivia**, Brazil**, Cameroon**, Chile**, China**, Costa Rica*, Cuba*/Czechoslovakia**, Egypt*, Ethiopia**, Finland*, France**, Germany**, Ghana**, Greece*, Guinea**, Hungary*, India*, Indonesia*, Iran, Islamic Republic of*/Iraq*, Italy**, Japan**, Kuwait**, Mexico*, Morocco*, Netherlands*, Nigeria*, Norway**, Pakistan**, Peru*, Republic of Korea**, Romania**, Saudi Arabia*, Senegal*, Spain*, Sudan*, Switzerland*, Syrian Arab Republic*, Thailand**, Trinidad and Tobago*, Tunisia**, Turkey*, Uganda*, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics*, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland**, United States of America**, Venezuela**, Zaire*/Zimbabwe**.

GC.4/Dec.10 ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE
PROGRAMME AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

The General Conference, in pursuance of Article 10.1 of the Constitution, elected the following twenty-seven members of the Programme and Budget Committee to hold office until the close of the fifth regular session of the Conference in 1993:

(a) Fifteen members from States in Lists A and C of Annex I to the Constitution: Algeria, Brazil, China, Colombia, Cuba, Egypt, India, Kenya, Malawi, Mexico, Nigeria, Philippines, Qatar, Rwanda, Yugoslavia;

(b) Nine members from States in List B of Annex I to the Constitution: Austria, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America;

(c) Three members from States in List D of Annex I to the Constitution: Bulgaria, Poland, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

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GC.4/Dec.11 UNIDO TECHNICAL COOPERATION
ACTIVITIES

The General Conference,

(a) Welcomed the report of the Director-General contained in document GC.4/37;

* Twenty-seven States whose term of office expires at the close of the fifth regular session of the General Conference in 1993 (see decision GC.3/Dec.9 of 23 November 1989).

** Twenty-six States whose term of office expires at the close of the sixth regular session of the General Conference in 1995 (see decision GC.4/Dec.9 of 21 November 1991).

(b) Endorsed Industrial Development Board decision IDB.8/Dec.4 on UNIDO technical cooperation activities in 1990;

(c) Recognized that objective-oriented planning is of utmost importance for better project quality and therefore recommends that this approach be used to the extent possible for all projects;

(d) Requested the Director-General to ensure that in future programming and appraisal activities greater consideration be given to the relevance, cost effectiveness and sustainability of UNIDO projects as defined in the annex to the report of the Director-General on the Industrial Development Fund (GC.4/28);

(e) Requested the Director-General that appraisal advice should be sought from the project concept stage onwards to the extent possible;

(f) Finally, requested the Director-General to include a report on the implementation of the measures called for in the present decision in the report requested in resolution GC.4/Res.3 on UNIDO technical cooperation activities.

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GC.4/Dec.12 SPECIAL PROGRAMME FOR THE
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OF ASIA
AND THE PACIFIC

The General Conference,

(a) Recalled its resolution GC.3/Res.18 by which it approved the Special Programme for the Industrial Development of Asia and the Pacific, especially its respective regional and subregional projects, geared to a rapid industrialization of the region, as well as Industrial Development Board decision IDB.8/Dec.7;

(b) Took note appreciatively of the report of the Director-General on the implementation of the Special Programme (GC.4/13);

(c) Requested the Director-General to ensure, while implementing the Special Programme, that:

(i) The area focus on the metalworking, food-processing and marine fishing industries continue to receive special emphasis in planning programmes;

(ii) The aspect of economic and technical cooperation among developing countries (ECDC/TCDC) continue to be incorporated in all regional programmes for the region;

(iii) The priority areas indicated in paragraph 3 of resolution GC.3/Res.18 be covered in the formulation of regional project proposals for the implementation of the United Nations Development Programme fifth programming cycle (1992-1996) especially emphasizing the following aspects in those areas: improving technology, enhancing productivity, improving terms of trade and the upgrading of managerial skills;

(d) Also requested the Director-General to report to the Industrial Development Board at its ninth session on the progress on the extent to which regular budget resources have been utilized for programmed activities in the areas referred to in paragraph 3 of resolution GC.3/Res.18 as well as the progress in the establishment of a special account in the Industrial Development Fund;

(e) Further requested the Director-General to report to the Industrial Development Board at its ninth session on the progress made in the implementation of the present decision.

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GC.4/Dec.13 THE COORDINATING ROLE OF UNIDO
IN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM ON
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

The General Conference,

(a) Recalled Article 2 (b) of the Constitution of UNIDO which stipulates that the Organization shall "in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, initiate, coordinate and follow up the activities of the United Nations system with a view to enabling the Organization to play the central coordinating role in the field of industrial development";

(b) Recalled the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, contained in the annex to United Nations General Assembly resolution S-18/3 of May 1990;

(c) Noted with satisfaction the adoption in December 1990 by the United Nations General Assembly of resolution 45/196 on industrial development cooperation and diversification and modernization of productive activities in developing countries;

(d) Reaffirmed the role of UNIDO as the coordinating organ of the United Nations system having primary responsibility for promoting and accelerating industrial development and the transfer of industrial technology to developing countries;

(e) Took note of the information contained in the report by the Secretariat (GC.4/44) as well as the report prepared by the Director-General of UNIDO in response to resolution 45/196, paragraph 4, and subsequently submitted by the Secretary-General of the United Nations to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session (A/46/455);

(f) Requested the Director-General to continue his efforts in implementing the mandates given to UNIDO as the coordinating organ of the United Nations in the field of industrial development.

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GC.4/Dec.14 SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS OF MEMBER
STATES FOR THE BIENNIUM 1992-1993

The General Conference,

(a) Recalled its decision GC.3/Dec.18 on the scale of assessments of Member States for the biennium 1990-1991,

(b) Took note of Industrial Development Board decision IDB.8/Dec.20, paragraph (b), and decisions IDB.8/Dec.47 and IDB.8/Dec.48,

(c) Decided to establish a scale of assessments for the regular budget expenditures of UNIDO for the fiscal period 1992-1993 based on the annex to document GC.4/52 and GC.4/CRP.11, to be adjusted if necessary, and in conformity with the pertinent resolution to be adopted by the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session.

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GC.4/Dec.15 FINANCIAL SITUATION OF UNIDO

The General Conference,

(a) Took note of Industrial Development Board decision IDB.8/Dec.21, the financial situation of UNIDO as reflected in the budget performance report, 1990-1991, as of 31 December 1990 (PBC.7/15, annex) and the cash flow analysis for the biennium 1990-1991 as at 15 May 1991 (IDB.8/36, annex III);

(b) Recalled its decision GC.3/Dec.17 concerning the temporary suspension of financial regulations 4.2(b) and 4.2(c) with respect to the 1986-1987 biennium to allow UNIDO to retain the unutilized balance of the appropriations for that biennium;

(c) Decided to cover a deficit for 1990-1991 by approving:

(i) A supplementary estimate of \$0.8 million for the regular budget for the fiscal period 1990-1991, in accordance with Article 14.5 of the Constitution, resulting from unforeseen increased staff costs, as described in document PBC.7/15, on the understanding that the basis for the draft estimates for 1992-1993 would not be increased;

(ii) The financing of that supplementary estimate as well as the financing of the shortfall in other income of \$3.5 million referred to in document PBC.7/15, by the use of the unutilized balance of appropriations from the 1986-1987 biennium;

(iii) The suspension of financial regulations 4.2(b) and 4.2(c) with respect to the unutilized balance of appropriations for the biennium 1986-1987 up to the amount of \$4.3 million;

(iv) The transfer of expenditures for the 1990-1991 biennium, as shown in annex IV

of document PBC.7/2 and as reported in document GC.4/47 on the financial situation of UNIDO;

(d) Decided, in order to facilitate the work of the Organization, on the temporary suspension of financial regulations 4.2(b) and 4.2(c) with respect to the 1988-1989 biennium to allow UNIDO to retain the unutilized balance of appropriations of \$6,496,192, which comprises the surplus account balance of \$1,807,815 and unpaid assessed contributions of \$4,688,377 as reported in statement II attached to the Director-General's interim financial performance report for the biennium 1990-1991 (PBC.7/16);

(e) Further decided to request the External Auditor to submit his opinion to the Programme and Budget Committee in future on the allocation of any retained unutilized balances of appropriations to those original programmes that had been affected;

(f) Strongly urged those Member States that had not yet paid their assessed contributions to the regular budget for the previous and current bienniums to do so without further delay.

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GC.4/Dec.16 WORKING CAPITAL FUND

The General Conference decided that the level of the Working Capital Fund and the authorized purposes of the Fund for the 1992-1993 biennium should remain the same as for the 1990-1991 biennium, i.e. as stipulated in General Conference decision GC.2/Dec.27, paragraph (b), of 12 November 1987.

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GC.4/Dec.17 APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL AUDITOR

The General Conference decided to extend the present appointment of the Senior President of the Audit Office of Belgium as the External Auditor of UNIDO for a period of two years, from 1 July 1992 to 30 June 1994, under the terms of reference specified in the Financial Regulations of UNIDO.

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GC.4/Dec.18 COMPUTERIZATION PROGRAMME

The General Conference,

(a) Took note of Industrial Development Board decisions IDB.7/Dec.26, IDB.8/Dec.35, IDB.8/Dec.36 and IDB.8/Dec.47, in particular paragraph (g);

(b) Took note of the reports contained in documents GC.4/48, GC.4/50 and GC.4/CRP.1;

(c) Agreed, in accordance with paragraph (e) of Board decision IDB.8/Dec.47 as amended to take account of Board decision IDB.8/Dec.48 and as

shown in the programme and budgets, 1992-1993 (GC.4/42 and Corr.1), to the proposed expenditure on the electronic data-processing (EDP) programme of \$12,363,000 in 1991 dollars for the 1992-1993 biennium;

(d) Took note of the proposed maximum figure for expenditure on the EDP programme for the 1994-1995 biennium of \$13,845,400 in 1991 dollars, this on the understanding that no further funding would be made available for this programme;

(e) Further agreed, in accordance with documents IDB.8/50/Add.1 and GC.4/42, that the total figure in the 1992-1993 programme and budgets to be allocated to the EDP programme would be a maximum of:

(i) \$4,018,000 in 1991 dollars for staff costs, i.e. \$2,010,200 in 1991 dollars from the regular budget and \$2,007,800 in 1991 dollars from the operational budget; and

(ii) \$8,345,000 in 1991 dollars for non staff costs, i.e. \$5,694,500 in 1991 dollars to be financed from the regular budget and \$2,650,500 in 1991 dollars from the operational budget;

(f) Requested that the EDP programme continue to be shown as a separate object of expenditure in future budgets and that it be administered according to the Financial Regulations of UNIDO, especially financial regulations 3.4 and 4.3 with the understanding that the Director-General shall inform the Industrial Development Board through the Programme and Budget Committee of all changes to the EDP programme;

(g) Urged the Director-General to report to the Programme and Budget Committee at its eighth session on the amounts of all contractual commitments concerning the EDP programme, from 1 January 1992 onwards;

(h) Requested the Director-General, with a view to ensuring the transparency of all operations concerning the EDP programme and avoiding a repetition of past difficulties, to report to the subsequent sessions of the policy-making organs on the programme and cost of implementing the consultants' recommendations and the recommendations of the External Auditor, as contained in documents GC.4/CRP.1 and GC.4/50, especially those concerning the disaster recovery plan, the organizational and functional changes and the internal control and evaluation of automation projects;

(i) Also requested the Director-General to keep Member States fully apprised of the EDP programme by quarterly briefings and informal notes.

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GC.4/Dec.19 PRACTICE OF ZERO REAL GROWTH BUDGETS

The General Conference recalled its decision GC.3/Dec.24 and Industrial Development Board decision IDB.8/Dec.27 concerning the examination

of the practice of zero real growth budgets and endorsed that Industrial Development Board decision.

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GC.4/Dec.20 PROGRAMME AND BUDGETS,
1992-1993: CONFERENCE SERVICE
ARRANGEMENTS AT THE VIENNA
INTERNATIONAL CENTRE

The General Conference,

(a) Took note of the information distributed containing an exchange of correspondence between the Director-General of UNIDO and the Under-Secretary-General for Conference Services and Special Assignments of the United Nations;

(b) Endorsed the position reflected in Industrial Development Board decision IDB.8/Dec.38;

(c) Recommended to the General Assembly of the United Nations that it defer action affecting the status of the joint UNIDO-United Nations conference services until the relevant organizations had had an opportunity to study the detailed cost analysis;

(d) Requested the Director-General to continue consultations with the United Nations Office at Vienna and the International Atomic Energy Agency on the most efficient and cost-effective conference service arrangements at the Vienna International Centre and to report to the Industrial Development Board at its eleventh ^{1/} session on the conclusions of those consultations.

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GC.4/Dec.21 INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

The General Conference,

(a) Took note of Industrial Development Board decision IDB.8/Dec.29 and of the information provided by the President of the Conference concerning the pledges announced for 1991, ^{2/}

(b) Took note of the report of the Director-General contained in document GC.4/28,

(c) Took note with appreciation of UNIDO activities in relation to the improvement of the quality of projects and programmes and encouraged the Secretariat to continue its activities in this direction,

(d) Took note of UNIDO efforts in relation to the fuller use of the capacities in developing countries, through the implementation of integrated industrial programmes,

(e) Encouraged the Director-General to pursue the development of the programme approach

^{1/} Decided by the Industrial Development Board at its fourth special session.

^{2/} GC.4/SR.11, paras. 137-138.

in order to enhance the impact of UNIDO assistance and requested the Secretariat to promote selected programmes following the medium-term plan priority areas, and urged Member States to provide adequate financial resources for the development and implementation of such programmes,

(f) Encouraged the Director-General to continue utilizing Industrial Development Fund resources as a means for the mobilization of larger financial flows, both for technical cooperation and investment, and recommended the improvement of investment-related activities,

(g) Approved the programming criteria for the general convertible segment of the Industrial Development Fund as presented in document GC.4/28 and urged all Member States to provide contributions to the general-purpose convertible segment of the Fund so that a minimum annual level of \$10 million may be achieved,

(h) Urged Member States in view of the growing need for extrabudgetary resources and the increased activities for the promotion of large-scale projects especially in the context of the new policies of the United Nations Development Programme to reconsider their Industrial Development Fund pledging policies to ensure that the desirable annual funding level of \$50 million be reached as soon as possible.

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GC.4/Dec.22 ORGANIZATIONAL AND STAFF
STRUCTURE OF UNIDO

The General Conference,

Having considered the item on organizational and staff structure of UNIDO, decided to request the Industrial Development Board to pursue the examination of that matter with a view to reaching a decision that could be adopted by the General Conference at its fifth regular session.

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GC.4/Dec.23 UNITED NATIONS JOINT STAFF
PENSION FUND

The General Conference,

(a) Decided to elect the following two members and two alternate members of the UNIDO Staff Pension Committee for the biennium 1992-1993:

Members: Mr. P. N. G. Subramanian (India)
Mr. E. Zador (Hungary)

Alternate members: Mr. N. Ayadi (Algeria)
Mr. J. S. Kramer (Netherlands)

(b) Authorized the Industrial Development Board to proceed with the election for any of the above-mentioned posts which might become vacant before the General Conference holds its fifth session.

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GC.4/Dec.24 WOMEN IN THE SECRETARIAT

The General Conference,

(a) Recalled its decision GC.3/Dec.26 and Industrial Development Board decision IDB.7/Dec.22 and IDB.8/Dec.18 calling for efforts to increase the number of women in the Secretariat, particularly at the senior and decision-making levels and to achieve, to the extent possible, and within existing resources, targets for their overall representation in geographical posts by 1993 and 1995 of 25 and 30 per cent respectively;

(b) Took note with appreciation of the progress report of the Director-General on representation of women in the Professional category (GC.4/8 and Corr.1) and in particular of the improvement in the overall representation of women in posts subject to geographical distribution;

(c) Noted with concern, however, that women's representation at the P-5 and above levels had further decreased, and that out of a total of 129 staff at those levels, there were only 7 women (5.4 per cent);

(d) Urged the Director-General to continue the efforts towards recruiting women in posts subject to geographical distribution and in particular to accord priority to the increased representation of women at the P-5 and above levels within the overall targets set for 1993 and 1995, and encouraged Governments to assist in those efforts by identifying women candidates for vacancies;

(e) Requested the Director-General to submit a progress report on the subject to the General Conference at its fifth session through the Board at its eleventh session.

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GC.4/Dec.25 DATE OF THE FIFTH SESSION OF
THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

The General Conference decided that its fifth session should be held from 6 to 10 December 1993.

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R E S O L U T I O N S

GC.4/Res.1 PARTICIPATION OF UNIDO IN
INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION TO STUDY
AND MITIGATE THE CONSEQUENCES OF
THE CHERNOBYL ACCIDENT

The General Conference,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 45/190 of 21 December 1990 on international cooperation to address and mitigate the consequences of the accident at the Chernobyl nuclear power plant,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolutions 1990/50 of 13 July 1990 and 1991/51 of 26 July 1991,

Taking note of Industrial Development Board decision IDB.8/Dec.3 of 5 July 1991,

Noting the practical measures taken by the Secretary-General and the United Nations Coordinator of International Cooperation for Chernobyl to strengthen and coordinate the international efforts in that area, inter alia, in the setting up of the relevant inter-agency task force and the preparation of the joint plan of international cooperation to mitigate the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster,

Noting the results of the United Nations Pledging Conference to mobilize support for extending international cooperation to study and mitigate the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster,

Taking note of the existing infrastructure and ability of UNIDO to contribute to the international cooperation to study and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster,

1. Welcomes the steps taken by the Director-General to identify the areas of UNIDO contribution to the ongoing rehabilitation efforts in the territories most affected by the Chernobyl disaster;

2. Requests the Director-General to continue to take appropriate measures on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 45/190 within the mandate of UNIDO, and in cooperation with the United Nations Coordinator of International Cooperation for Chernobyl;

3. Requests the Director-General to submit to the General Conference at its fifth session a report on the implementation of the present resolution.

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GC.4/Res.2 ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE
DIRECTOR-GENERAL ON THE
ACTIVITIES OF THE ORGANIZATION
FOR 1989 AND 1990

The General Conference,

Recalling paragraph (c) of Industrial Development Board decision IDB.7/Dec.11 on the incorporation of the performance report into the

annual report, as proposed in document IDB.7/3/Add.1,

Considering the annual reports of the Director-General for 1989 (IDB.6/10) and 1990 (IDB.8/10 and Corr.1 and 2) on the activities of the Organization,

Stressing the importance of the programme performance report, which contains significant performance indicators and a comparison of outputs implemented and outputs planned as a mechanism to assess the level of implementation of UNIDO programmes for the period covered by the annual report,

1. Takes note of the supplement submitted by the Director-General expanding on the programme performance report contained in the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1990 (GC.4/35), and of the low level of implementation of substantive programmes during 1990 as reflected by the comparison of outputs implemented against outputs planned in table 9 of document GC.4/35;

2. Requests the Director-General to fully incorporate in future annual reports the programme performance report according to Board decision IDB.7/Dec.11, and to continue including therein the tabular presentation of significant performance indicators and the comparison of outputs implemented against outputs planned for the period covered by the annual report;

3. Further requests the Director-General to present clear and precise descriptions of outputs in future programme and budget documents with a view, inter alia, to having a clear indication of the quality of programme implementation in the programme performance report.

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GC.4/Res.3 UNIDO TECHNICAL COOPERATION
ACTIVITIES

The General Conference,

Recalling Industrial Development Board decisions IDB.6/Dec.9 and IDB.8/Dec.4 on UNIDO technical cooperation activities,

Considering the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1990 (IDB.8/10 and Corr.1 and 2),

Stressing the important role of national execution of technical cooperation projects by developing countries in accelerating their development processes, while recognizing the promotional and supporting role of UNIDO,

1. Asks the Director-General to present a report on the possible measures and actions that can be undertaken by UNIDO to assist developing countries in strengthening their capabilities for national execution of technical cooperation projects;

2. Requests the Director-General to expand his report on the ratio of expert component costs to other component costs contained in chapter III

of document IDB.8/16 presenting measures to ensure that, in the execution of technical cooperation projects in interested developing countries, the quantitative and qualitative relationship between different components is in line with the specific needs of those countries, taking into account the need for UNIDO activities to have a real impact on the industries of developing countries. This report must contain concrete proposals for action to ensure the participation of national and regional experts of developing countries in the expert component of technical cooperation projects, with a view to strengthening their capabilities for national execution;

3. Also requests the Director-General to present to the Industrial Development Board a clear and precise definition of the concept of technical cooperation in terms of UNIDO operational activities;

4. Further requests the Director-General to submit a report on the implementation of the measures called for in the present resolution to the General Conference at its fifth session, through the Board at its ninth session.

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GC.4/Res.4 UNIDO TECHNICAL COOPERATION
ACTIVITIES: UNIDO COUNTRY
DIRECTORS

The General Conference,

Endorsing Industrial Development Board decision IDB.8/Dec.14 on the UNIDO Country Directors programme,

Bearing in mind the importance of UNIDO Country Directors (UCDs) in enhancing and strengthening UNIDO activities in developing countries,

Requests the Director-General, within existing resources and utilizing extrabudgetary resources:

(a) To prepare a study on the modalities of setting up a close working relationship among the UCDs of the same subregion in order to strengthen the role of the UCDs;

(b) To increase the number of UCDs in order to reach the target set in Board decision IDB.8/Dec.14;

(c) To report on the possibilities of strengthening the country focus, while strengthening the advisory role of UCDs in project planning, development and evaluation;

(d) To report to the Industrial Development Board at its ninth ^{3/} session on the implementation of Board decision IDB.8/Dec.14 and the present resolution.

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^{3/} Decided by the Industrial Development Board at its fourth session.

GC.4/Res.5 SPECIAL PROGRAMME FOR INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT IN THE ARAB COUNTRIES

The General Conference,

Recalling Industrial Development Board decisions IDB.5/Dec.26, IDB.6/Dec.2, and IDB.7/Dec.2,

Realizing the need for the Arab countries to develop their human, industrial and financial resources towards the achievement of industrial development, especially in the least developed Arab countries,

Recognizing the urgent need to intensify efforts to promote industrial development in the Arab countries,

Reaffirming that UNIDO activities could play an important catalytic role in the promotion of industrial development in the Arab countries, especially in those least developed among them,

1. Takes note of the progress report by the Director-General contained in document GC.4/27;

2. Requests the Director-General to formulate the Special Programme so as to address the following two major activities:

(a) Regional activities devoted to increased industrial cooperation among Arab countries;

(b) Activities aimed at meeting the urgent needs of the Arab least developed countries;

3. Also requests the Director-General to ensure that the programme activities address the following priorities:

(a) Training and development of human resources;

(b) Standardization and quality control;

(c) Development of technological functions and capacity;

(d) Marketing and trade in industrial products;

(e) Industrial information;

(f) Agro-industries and agro-based industries;

4. Urges the Director-General to secure the necessary funds for the speedy implementation of the identified projects, besides the allocations in the regular budget, from the Industrial Development Fund, trust funds and any other sources of finance;

5. Requests the Director-General to enhance the capabilities of the Arab Countries Programme in the Secretariat to cope with the increased demands of the activities of the Special Programme for Industrial Development in the Arab Countries;

6. Further requests the Director-General to ensure the full collaboration of the specialized Arab organizations to formulate and follow up the activities of the Special Programme;

7. Also urges the Member States of UNIDO and international institutions to support the Special Programme;

8. Also requests the Director-General to report to the General Conference at its fifth session on the implementation of the present resolution through the Industrial Development Board at its tenth 4/ session.

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GC.4/Res.6 REGIONAL COOPERATION PROGRAMME
FOR THE INDUSTRIAL RECOVERY OF
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

The General Conference,

Recalling its resolution GC.3/Res.17 and Industrial Development Board decision IDB.8/Dec.6 requesting the implementation of the five projects identified in the Regional Programme,

Taking note of document GC.4/12/Rev.1, and particularly of the holding of the first biennial meeting of the Regional Programme held in Vienna on 23 and 24 October 1991,

Underlining the high priority given to regional industrialization by the Latin American Economic System (SELA), reaffirmed by the Regional Conference on Industrialization at the ministerial level, held at Caracas in October 1991,

1. Appreciates the efforts of the Secretariat in launching the Regional Programme and requests the Director-General:

(a) To keep the countries of the region continuously informed, through the Permanent Missions, of the status of implementation of each project identified, and to submit to them every new project with details of the financing requirements and the other actions needed for its execution;

(b) In the implementation of the Regional Programme to pay particular attention to:

- (i) The early launching of the operative phase of the three projects originally identified: promotion of investments at regional level, biotechnology and agro-industry;
- (ii) The completion of the preparatory studies for the additional projects;
- (iii) The submission of new projects;

(c) To urge donor countries and international financial institutions to energetically pursue the promotion of the projects, so as to ensure adequate financing of those projects in such a way that financial resources, technical cooperation and technology transfer are effectively channelled towards the countries of the region, taking particular account of the new economic and political conditions

4/ Decided by the Industrial Development Board at its fourth special session.

accruing from the structural realignment undertaken by the majority of the countries concerned;

(d) To take the action necessary to ensure that the Regional Programme:

- (i) Reinforces national capabilities to implement the technical cooperation projects;
- (ii) Has a real effect on the economies of all countries of the region;
- (iii) Takes into account the industrialization priorities and recommendations set out in the Regional Plan of Industrialization adopted by the SELA Conference, as well as the priorities identified by the countries of the Caribbean subregion;
- (iv) Coordinates the implementation activities of the Regional Programme with SELA, the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean and other regional and subregional organizations;
- (v) Contains mutually-related projects, while at the same time remaining consistent with the above-mentioned priorities;
- (vi) Strengthens the processes of regional integration by means of economic and technical cooperation among developing countries (ECDC/TCDC);

2. Expresses its appreciation to the donor countries that financed the projects for subcontracting and automation of the capital goods industry, and urges them to intensify and pursue their valuable support; at the same time appeals to other donor countries to ensure, through their contributions, the success and the development of the Regional Programme;

3. Appeals to international financial institutions, particularly the World Bank and the Inter-American Development Bank, to lend their full support to the Programme, and thus to ensure the provision of financial resources which will facilitate the effective implementation of the Programme at national, subregional and regional levels;

4. Further requests the Director-General to submit to the Industrial Development Board at its tenth session a detailed report on the implementation of the measures referred to in the present resolution.

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GC.4/Res.7 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE
PALESTINIAN PEOPLE

The General Conference,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 45/183 of 21 December 1990 on assistance to the Palestinian people,

Taking note of its resolution GC.3/Res.13 and Industrial Development Board decision IDB.7/Dec.17,

Affirming that the Israeli occupation and in particular the Israeli settlements in the Palestinian territory occupied since 1967, including Jerusalem, are hindering the basic requirements for the development of the Palestinian national economy, including the industrial sector,

Expressing its hope that the Palestinian people, free from occupation, will be able to, inter alia, utilize all their national resources for the development of their economy, including the industrial sector,

1. Takes note of the report of the Director-General on technical assistance to the Palestinian people (GC.4/14/Rev.1);

2. Calls for immediate repeal of all Israeli restrictions against the Palestinian national economy including the industrial sector;

3. Calls upon the Israeli occupation authorities to give staff and experts of UNIDO access to the occupied Palestinian territory;

4. Requests the Director-General to increase UNIDO assistance to the Palestinian people in close cooperation with the Palestine Liberation Organization;

5. Also requests the Director-General to report to the General Conference at its fifth session and to the Industrial Development Board at its next session on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.

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GC.4/Res.8 SECOND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT
DECADE FOR AFRICA

The General Conference,

Recalling its resolution GC.3/Res.10 and United Nations General Assembly resolution 44/237 that proclaimed 1991-2000 the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa (IDDA),

Taking note of the report of the Director-General on the Second IDDA (GC.4/10 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1),

Taking note in particular of the recommendations of the tenth meeting of the Conference of African Ministers of Industry contained in its resolution 1(X) on the adoption of the programme for the Second IDDA,

Recalling resolution 1991/81 of the Economic and Social Council on the Second IDDA,

Bearing in mind that the first IDDA had not fully attained the expected results,

Recognizing the low level of industrial development in Africa and in view of the important role of UNIDO in the process of industrialization of developing countries,

1. Decides to adopt the programme for the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa (1991-2000) covering the national, subregional and

regional components contained in document CAMI.10:ICE/1991/6/Vol.1 and Vol.2 and to declare it to be a top priority programme of UNIDO;

2. Decides to allocate the sum of \$8.6 million for the Second IDDA in the programme and budgets for the biennium 1992-1993;

3. Recommends the adoption of the programme to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session, through the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session for 1992, and if possible, to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session;

4. Requests the Director-General to adjust the work programme of the Organization in order to provide greater support to African countries and organizations in their efforts to implement the programme for the Second IDDA;

5. Requests the Director-General to ensure, in the implementation of the medium-term plan, 1992-1997, and in the drafting of all future plans for consideration by the policy-making organs of UNIDO during the Decade, that account be taken of both the Second IDDA and Africa's efforts to promote subregional and regional economic integration and cooperation and to enhance the capacity of UNIDO to assist African countries upon request in the following activities:

(a) Industrial planning and setting up of institutional support;

(b) Project identification, preparation, implementation and monitoring;

(c) Preparation, evaluation and negotiation of specifications, bids and contracts;

(d) Production, marketing and distribution in relation to key consumer, intermediate and capital goods, especially in the subregional and regional context;

(e) Procurement and adaptation of technology, plant management and consultancy services;

6. Requests the Director-General, in cooperation with the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) and the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity (OAU), to give high priority to the mobilization of external financial resources for the execution of programmes for the Second IDDA; further requests the Director-General to organize investment promotion meetings, solidarity meetings and Consultations on industrial financing with particular reference to the programme for the Second IDDA and to accord priority to African countries in the implementation of programmes and operations relating to industrial promotion;

7. Requests the Director-General, in cooperation with the Executive Secretary of ECA and the Secretary-General of OAU, to intensify efforts aimed at providing African intergovernmental organizations with the necessary assistance in strengthening the role of the industrial sector in the implementation of the Second IDDA at the subregional level;

8. Requests the Director-General to involve existing African regional institutes and

organizations in the implementation and monitoring of the programme for the Second IDDA;

9. Calls on the Director-General to ensure that the activities of the Second IDDA are harmonized with those of the Second United Nations Transport and Communications Decade for Africa;

10. Appeals to African countries and to African intergovernmental organizations, particularly financial institutions, to take the necessary measures to ensure the successful implementation of the programme for the Second IDDA and to give priority to the mobilization of their own financial resources for the implementation and monitoring of the programme;

11. Also appeals to the international community, particularly bilateral and multilateral funding institutions, to increase significantly their contributions to the industrial sector in African countries, so as to ensure successful and sustained implementation of the programme;

12. Urges international financial institutions, particularly the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund and the African Development Bank, to ensure full support to the Second IDDA programme and effective implementation of the programme at the national and subregional levels;

13. Calls upon institutions of the private sector, at all levels, to accord high priority to the programme for the Second IDDA, considering that their full participation would lead to greater economic integration;

14. Further appeals to the United Nations Development Programme to allocate, under its fifth cycle (1992-1996), adequate resources for supporting the activities of the regional and country programmes for Africa;

15. Requests the Director-General, in cooperation with the Executive Secretary of ECA and the Secretary-General of OAU, to undertake follow-up actions for promoting national, subregional and regional activities in support of the programme and jointly submit a report on the implementation of the programme to the General Conference at its fifth session through the Industrial Development Board.

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GC.4/Res.9 POLICIES FOR THE INDUSTRIALIZATION
OF THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

The General Conference,

Recalling its resolution GC.3/Res.11 and Industrial Development Board decision IDB.7/Dec.15,

Noting with concern the lack of progress in the industrialization of the least developed countries during the 1980s and the risks to the prospects of industrialization in the 1990s,

Noting further that the least developed countries are particularly constrained in the development of their national economies and in ensuring an adequate standard of living for their population,

Emphasizing that increased UNIDO technical assistance to the least developed countries, especially in developing, expanding and modernizing the economic base, will contribute to improving the development of the industrial, scientific and technological base,

Recalling the Paris Declaration and Programme of Action of the Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries held in Paris from 3 to 14 September 1990,

1. Takes note of the proposals for an industrial action plan for least developed countries contained in document GC.4/40;

2. Takes note of the progress report by the Director-General on the industrialization of the least developed countries (GC.4/38);

3. Calls upon the Director-General to continue to accord highest priority to the least developed countries in programmes of the Organization including, in particular, the use of funds from the Special Industrial Services programme, the Industrial Development Fund and other resources available to UNIDO in order to assist in the implementation of the Paris Declaration and the Programme of Action of the Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries;

4. Requests the Director-General to develop and strengthen in consultation with the Governments of the least developed countries, as well as relevant international organizations, including the United Nations Development Programme, key priority sectors in the medium-term plan of UNIDO, within the context of the overall implementation of the Paris Declaration and Programme of Action of the Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries;

5. Expresses appreciation to one Member State for its specific contribution to the Industrial Development Fund for the implementation of the industrial action plan for the 1990s and urges donor countries to increase their financial contributions, inter alia, to that fund for that purpose;

6. Appeals to the international community, especially the developed countries, multilateral financing institutions and direct private investors, to increase their financial and technological support to the least developed countries for the implementation of the Programme of Action of the Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries;

7. Requests the Director-General to report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Conference at its fifth session.

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GC.4/Res.10 INDUSTRIAL ACTION PROGRAMME FOR
THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

The General Conference,

Recalling its resolution GC.3/Res.11 that called for the development of a special strategy

for the industrialization of the least developed countries in the 1990s,

Recalling also the Paris Declaration and the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s adopted by the Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries held in Paris in September 1990 and endorsed by the United Nations General Assembly in its resolution 45/206,

Having considered Industrial Development Board decision IDB.7/Dec.15 that requested the Director-General to review and analyse, in consultation with the Governments of the least developed countries, as well as with relevant international organizations, including the United Nations Development Programme, key industrial development issues for the industrialization of least developed countries and prepare recommendations for national and international action as well as a work programme in the areas of UNIDO competence, for the least developed countries for the decade of the 1990s,

1. Takes note with appreciation of the progress report of the Director-General on industrialization of the least developed countries (GC.4/38), in particular concerning UNIDO's preparatory work for the Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries held in Paris as well as its contribution and follow-up to the Conference;

2. Expresses its gratitude to one Member State for its generous financial support to UNIDO's efforts in the formulation of an action plan and programme for the industrial development of the least developed countries;

3. Considers the industrial action plan for the least developed countries recommended by the experts' Workshop on Industrial Development in the Least Developed Countries held in Vienna, from 19 to 23 August 1991 (GC.4/40) as appropriate guidance to the least developed countries in the formulation of their industrial action programmes and to the international community in formulating cooperation programmes with the least developed countries;

4. Stresses that, without significant increase to the least developed countries of real resources, no development programme aimed at accelerating their industrialization would have a chance of being implemented;

5. Adopts the industrial action programme for the least developed countries approved by the ministerial Symposium on the Industrialization of the Least Developed Countries held in Vienna on 15 November 1991 (ID/WG.521/3/Rev.1(SPEC.)) as the basis for development and implementation of technical cooperation projects and programmes between UNIDO and the least developed countries in the 1990s to be carried out within the programme and budgets and medium-term plan adopted by the General Conference and within the financial resources made available to UNIDO, as well as in close cooperation with other relevant organizations and institutions both inside and outside the United Nations system.

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GC.4/Res.11 ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL
COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES

The General Conference,

Recalling its resolution GC.3/Res.9,

Further recalling Industrial Development Board decisions IDB.6/Dec.11 on economic cooperation among developing countries (ECDC), particularly its paragraphs (c), (d) and (e), and Board decision IDB.8/Dec.5 on technical cooperation among developing countries (ECDC/TCDC), especially its paragraphs (b), (c), (d) and (e),

Bearing in mind the need to develop and strengthen developing countries' capabilities for national execution of technical cooperation programmes and projects,

1. Requests the Director-General that in the implementation of ECDC/TCDC programmes the promotion and strengthening of the domestic capabilities of the recipient developing countries be ensured;

2. Requests the Director-General to have recourse, with the utmost expedition, to the greatest extent possible to experts, services and equipment from developing countries in technical cooperation projects of UNIDO in order to substantially increase - to a minimum of 25 per cent - the share of the total contract value and equipment purchased by the Organization from those countries, in the shortest possible time;

3. Urges the Director-General to programme a higher proportion of funds to ECDC/TCDC activities in the operational budget;

4. Decides to approve the proposed framework for the UNIDO-wide ECDC/TCDC programme contained in paragraph 12 of document GC.4/7, with the understanding that:

(a) Subparagraph 12(4) should be reformulated so as to avoid any conditionality for the promotion of increased investment flows;

(b) Subparagraph 12(9) should be understood in the light of the environment programme (IDB.6/3);

(c) Subparagraph 12(12) should be expanded so as to introduce additional guidelines reflecting the views expressed in chapter III of document GC.4/7;

5. Asks the Director-General to present a report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Conference at its fifth session.

11th plenary meeting
22 November 1991

GC.4/Res.12 INTEGRATION OF WOMEN IN
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

The General Conference,

Recalling its resolution GC.3/Res.15 and Industrial Development Board decision IDB.6/Dec.8 on the integration of women in industrial development,

