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Introductory note

1. The decisions and resolutions adopted by the General Conference at its fifth regular session (1993) are reproduced in the present document.

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 and the relevant agenda item. Decisions and resolutions are, as far as possible, set out in the order of the agenda.

3. The present document should be read in conjunction with the summary records of the General Conference, where details of the proceedings are provided.
AGENDA OF THE FIFTH REGULAR SESSION

1. Opening of the fifth session.
2. Election of officers:
   (a) Election of the President;
   (b) Election of other officers.
3. Adoption of the agenda.
4. Organization of work.
5. Credentials of representatives in the Conference.
6. Elections to organs:
   (a) Industrial Development Board;
   (b) Programme and Budget Committee.
8. Priority areas in the medium-term plan, 1992–1997:
   (a) Human resource development;
   (b) Development and transfer of technology;
   (c) Industrial rehabilitation;
   (d) Small- and medium-scale industries;
   (e) Environment, energy and sustainable industrial development, including follow-up to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development.
   (a) Mobilization of financial resources for industrial development, including:
      (i) Industrial investment promotion;
      (ii) Industrial Development Fund;
      (iii) Guidelines for special trust fund projects;
      (iv) The external debt and industrial development;
   (b) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries;
   (c) Integration of women in industrial development.
10. The regional dimension:
    (a) Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa;
    (b) Special Programme for Industrial Development in the Arab Countries;
    (c) Special Programme for the Industrial Development of Asia and the Pacific;
    (d) Regional Cooperation Programme for the Industrial Recovery of Latin America and the Caribbean;
    (e) Industrialization of the least developed countries;
    (f) Technical assistance to the Palestinian people.
11. The future policy framework of UNIDO and its organizational structure:
    (a) Studies and research:
       (i) New concepts and approaches for cooperation in industrial development in conformity with Article 2 (c) of the Constitution;
       (ii) Evaluation of the objectives and functions of UNIDO in view of recent changes and developments in the world;
    (b) The coordinating role of UNIDO;
    (c) Technical cooperation activities of UNIDO (including contribution to international efforts to mitigate the consequences of the Chernobyl accident);
    (d) Organizational and staff structure;
12. Policy forums:
    (a) Reports of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its fourth and fifth special sessions, ninth, tenth and eleventh regular sessions;
    (b) System of Consultations.
13. Policy management: Evaluation activities of UNIDO.
14. Programme support:
    (a) Matters related to intergovernmental, non-governmental, governmental and other organizations;
    (b) Headquarters agreement between UNIDO and the Republic of Austria;
    (c) Personnel matters:
       (i) United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund;
       (ii) Women in the Secretariat;
    (d) Financial matters:
       (i) Scale of assessments of Member States;
       (ii) Financial situation of UNIDO;
       (iii) Financial regulations;
       (iv) Working Capital Fund;
       (v) Appointment of External Auditor;
    (e) Computerization programme.
16. Date and place of the sixth session.
17. Closure of the fifth session.
DECISIONS

GC.5/Dec.1 ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT

The General Conference elected by acclamation Mr. P. Mandeng AMBASSA (Cameroon) President of the Conference at its fifth session.

1st plenary meeting
6 December 1993

GC.5/Dec.2 ELECTION OF THE VICE-PRESIDENTS

The General Conference elected the following Vice-Presidents of the Conference at its fifth session: Mr. C. MAGARIÑOS (Argentina); Ms. T. M. MACHADO QUINTELLA (Brazil); Mr. O. LØNSMANN POUlsen (Denmark); Mr. T. ARIWIBOWO (Indonesia); Mr. F. AL-GHAIIS (Kuwait); Mr. A. BYRT (Poland); Mr. D. PISKOUNOV (Russian Federation); Mr. T. E. MUSTAFA (Sudan); Ms. F. OK (Turkey).

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The General Conference adopted the agenda of its fifth session as contained in document GC.5/13/Rev.1.

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GC.5/Dec.4 ORGANIZATION OF WORK

The General Conference:

(a) Decided to cover agenda items 7 to 15 in the plenary in the form of a general debate, which should focus in particular on the theme “Industrial development in the changing global situation and the future policy framework of UNIDO”;

(b) Also decided to establish, in accordance with rule 44 of its rules of procedure, one Main Committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. C. H. A. Plug (Netherlands), on which each Member participating in the Conference might be represented;

(c) Further decided to refer agenda items 7 to 15 to the Main Committee for a more focused debate aimed at the preparation of a consensus draft decisions and resolutions for submission to the plenary and requested the Chairman of the Main Committee, in accordance with decision GC.5/Dec.11, to submit a written report on its work to the Conference on Thursday, 9 December 1993.

1st plenary meeting
6 December 1993

GC.5/Dec.5 APPOINTMENT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

The General Conference appointed the following Members to serve on the Credentials Committee: Austria, Brazil, China, Côte d’Ivoire, Mauritius, Russian Federation, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago and United States of America.

1st, 3rd and 5th plenary meetings
6, 7 and 8 December 1993

GC.5/Dec.6 CREDENTIALS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FIFTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

The General Conference approved the report of the Credentials Committee on the credentials of representatives to the fifth session of the General Conference as reflected in summary record GC.5/SR.7, paragraphs 16 to 36.

7th plenary meeting
9 December 1993

GC.5/Dec.7 ELECTION OF TWENTY-SEVEN MEMBERS TO THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD

The General Conference, in pursuance of Article 9.1 of the Constitution, elected the following twenty-seven members to the Industrial Development Board to hold office until the close of the seventh regular session of the Conference in 1997:

(a) Eighteen members from States in Lists A and C of Annex I to the Constitution: Algeria, Argentina, Côte d’Ivoire, Cuba, Ecuador, Egypt, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Lebanon, Mexico, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Philippines, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Uganda, Zambia;

(b) Seven members from States in List B of Annex I to the Constitution: Austria, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey;

(c) Two members from States in List D of Annex I to the Constitution: Poland, Russian Federation.

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** Twenty-seven States whose term of office expires at the close of the seventh regular session of the General Conference in 1997 (see decision GC.5/Dec.7 of 9 December 1993).
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GC.5/Dec.8 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 sixth regular session of the Conference in 1995:

(a) Fifteen members from States in Lists A and C of Annex I to the Constitution: Argentina, Benin, Brazil, China, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Madagascar, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Trinidad and Tobago, United Republic of Tanzania;

(b) Nine members from States in List B of Annex I to the Constitution: Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Switzerland, 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, Hungary, Russian Federation.

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The General Conference:

(a) Considered the annual reports on the activities of UNIDO for 1991 and 1992 and took note with appreciation of efforts made by the Director-General to follow up previous decisions on the content and format of such reports;

(b) Invited the Director-General to present the information contained in future annual reports of UNIDO as succinctly as possible, with a particular focus on the quality of UNIDO services;

(c) Requested the Director-General to preface future annual reports with a brief introduction, summarizing his evaluation of work done over the past year and outlining strategies proposed for the coming one.

7th plenary meeting 9 December 1993

GC.5/Dec.10 SYSTEM OF CONSULTATIONS

The General Conference:

(a) Endorsed Industrial Development Board decisions 108.9/Dec.9 and 108.11/Dec.19; and in particular

(b) Requested the Director-General to further seek ways of enhancing the efficiency, effectiveness and impact of international industrial consultations in the overall process of industrial development and cooperation. In doing so, continued regard should be paid to the recommendations of the relevant in-depth evaluation, in order to ensure that the System meets present-day needs of developing countries and that it is cost-effective. Special attention should also be given to the improvement of coordination and interaction with other relevant programmes.

7th plenary meeting 9 December 1993

GC.5/Dec.11 HEADQUARTERS AGREEMENT BETWEEN UNIDO AND THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA

The General Conference:

(a) Took note of the information provided in the report by the Director-General (GC.5/24);

(b) Requested the Director-General to submit the agreement with the Republic of Austria concerning the Headquarters of UNIDO to the Industrial Development Board for approval and for reporting thereon to the General Conference at its sixth session.

7th plenary meeting 9 December 1993

GC.5/Dec.12 UNITED NATIONS JOINT STAFF PENSION FUND

The General Conference:

(a) Took note of the information contained in the report by the Director-General on issues related to the pension system (GC.5/22), including the recommendations of the International Civil Service Commission to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session;

(b) Upon the recommendation of the Industrial Development Board contained in decision 108.11/Dec.32, decided to elect the following two members and two alternate members of the UNIDO Staff Pension Committee for the biennium 1994-1995:

Members:  
Mr. A. Aziria (Algeria)  
Mr. J. Kramer (Netherlands)

Alternate members:  
Mr. J. García Torres (Peru)  
Mr. S. Szilvós (Hungary);

(c) 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 sixth session.

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The General Conference:

(a) Recalled its decision GC.4/Dec.14 on the scale of assessments of Member States for the biennium 1992-1993;
(b) Took note of Industrial Development Board decision IDB.11/Dec.23, paragraphs (b) and (c);

(c) Decided to establish a scale of assessments for the regular budget expenditures of UNIDO for the fiscal period 1994–1995 based on the annex to document GC.5/28/Add.1, to be adjusted, if necessary, in conformity with any amendments approved by the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session and further adjusted for differences in the membership between the United Nations and UNIDO by the application to the United Nations rates of assessment of a coefficient to be calculated by the Secretariat.

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GC.5/Dec.14 FINANCIAL SITUATION OF UNIDO

The General Conference:

(a) Recalled Industrial Development Board decision IDB.11/Dec.30;

(b) Took note of the report of the Director-General on the financial situation of UNIDO (GC.5/26) containing information concerning the status of assessed contributions, advances to the Working Capital Fund, cash flow analyses for the years 1993 and 1994, the regular budget performance report and the revised appropriations for 1992–1993;

(c) Urged those Member States that had not yet paid their assessed regular budget contributions, including advances to the Working Capital Fund, for the bienniums 1986–1987 to 1992–1993 to do so without delay;

(d) Decided to approve the adjustments to the 1992–1993 scale of assessments as described in paragraphs 9 to 13 of document IDB.11/6, to be further adjusted if necessary in conformity with related decisions to be taken by the United Nations General Assembly at its forty-eighth session;

(e) Also decided to approve the temporary suspension of financial regulations 4.2(b) and 4.2(c), with respect to the 1990–1991 biennium so as to allow the non-budgetary (temporary) allocation of the unutilized balances of $8,746,822 as reported in document PBC.9/7, statement II.B. to strengthen the statutory cash resource base of the Organization, it being understood that that did not constitute a precedent.

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GC.5/Dec.15 FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

The General Conference:

(a) Recalled its resolution GC.4/Res.23 and Industrial Development Board decision IDB.10/Dec.10;

(b) Took note of the report submitted by the External Auditor on Programme and Budget Committee (PBC.8/14) on the proposed paragraphs (d) and (e) of financial regulation 4.1 and in particular his conclusion that the actual implementation of any new operational budget expenditure flexibility system should best be postponed until the evolving new situation in respect of the successor arrangements of the United Nations Development Programme could be assessed more accurately in all its aspects;

(c) Requested the Director-General to keep the matter under review and, if deemed necessary, report on developments through the Programme and Budget Committee and the Industrial Development Board to the General Conference;

(d) Accordingly decided to delete the proposed paragraphs (d) and (e) of financial regulation 4.1 referred to in its resolution GC.4/Res.23.

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GC.5/Dec.16 WORKING CAPITAL FUND

The General Conference:

(a) Took note of Industrial Development Board decision IDB.11/Dec.26;

(b) Decided that the level of the Working Capital Fund and the authorized purposes of the Fund for the 1994–1995 biennium should remain the same as those for the 1992–1993 biennium, i.e. as stipulated in Conference decision GC.2/Dec.27, paragraph (b);

(c) Urged Member States to pay their outstanding assessed contributions as soon as possible to facilitate reimbursement to the Working Capital Fund.

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GC.5/Dec.17 APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL AUDITOR

The General Conference decided to appoint the President of the Federal Court of Audit of Germany as the External Auditor for UNIDO for a period of two years beginning on 1 July 1994, under the terms of reference specified in article XI (and annex) of the Financial Regulations of UNIDO. The travel and costs related to the work of the External Auditor are to be borne by the UNIDO regular budget.

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The General Conference:

(a) Recalled its resolution GC.5/Res.18 on the future policy framework of UNIDO;

(b) Considered Industrial Development Board decisions IDB.11/Dec.24 and IDB.11/Dec.43 and the adjusted proposals of the Director-General for the programme of work for the 1994–1995 biennium and the corresponding total resource requirements by major programme to be financed from the regular and operational budgets as contained in document GC.5/14/Rev.1 and Corr.1;

(c) Approved the programme and budgets for 1994–1995 as contained in document GC.5/14/Rev.1 and Corr.1;

(d) Appropriated, on the basis of an exchange rate of US$ 1 = AS 12.90, a total amount of $299,320,200 for the regular budget of the Organization in 1994–1995 as reflected in the following table:
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**Note:** The amounts presented in the table are to be adjusted in accordance with the adjustment formula presented at the end of the present decision to take account of exchange rate variations during the biennium.

(e) Decided that the foregoing net requirements should be financed from payments of contributions by Member States under the provisions of financial regulation 5.5(e), amounting to $196,310,300 at an exchange rate of US$ 1 = A$ 12.90 for the purpose of the operational budget for the biennium 1994-1995 to be financed from voluntary contributions and such other income as might be provided for in the financial regulations.

(f) Approved estimates of expenditure totalling $35,050,000 at an exchange rate of US$ 1 = A$ 12.90 for the purpose of the operational budget for the biennium 1994-1995 to be financed from voluntary contributions and such other income as might be provided for in the financial regulations.

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**Adjustment formula in US dollars**

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**Subtotal - Appropriations**

26,133,400 + (2,621,108,800 /R)

**Estimated income**

- Operational Support Services: 23,800 + (2,905,000 /R)
- Joint and Common Services: 1,663,200 + (349,337,200 /R)
- Administration: 172,700 + (29,015,370 /R)
- Miscellaneous: 716,500 + (11,335,910 /R)

**Subtotal - Estimated Income**

2,576,200 + (392,693,810 /R)

**TOTAL NET REQUIREMENTS**

23,557,200 + (2,228,514,990 /R)

**Note 1:** The net requirements shown above assume a ratio of 12 per cent in US dollars and 88 per cent in Austrian schillings at an exchange rate of US$1 = A$ 12.90.

**Note 2:** R represents the average United Nations exchange rate for Austrian schilling to US dollar which will be experienced during 1994-1995.

**Note 3:** The estimates expressed at the United Nations accounting rate of exchange for December 1993 of US$1 = A$ 12.00 are: (i) net requirements $209,266,800; and (ii) operational budget $37,383,700.

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The General Conference:

(a) Recalled Industrial Development Board decision IDB.11/Dec.27 concerning the establishment of a unified conference service under United Nations administration;

(b) Urged the Director-General to finalize with the United Nations as soon as possible the arrangements for the transfer of administrative responsibility for conference services from UNIDO to the United Nations Office at Vienna effective 1 January 1995;

(c) Notwithstanding financial regulation 4.3(b), authorized the Director-General, upon finalization of those arrangements, to implement the necessary adjustments within the net resource allocations of those programmes affected and included in the programme and budgets, 1994-1995 approved by the General Conference in its decision GC.5/Dec.18;

(d) Requested the Director-General to report on the implementation of the present decision to the General Conference at its sixth session through the Industrial Development Board.

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The General Conference decided that its sixth session should be held in Vienna from 4 to 8 December 1995.

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RESOLUTIONS

GC.5/Res.1  PRIORITY AREAS, COMMON ELEMENTS AND PROGRAMMING INSTRUMENTS IN THE MEDIUM-TERM PLAN

The General Conference,
Taking note of the medium-term plan, 1994-1999, as proposed in document IDB.10/5,
Taking into account the full support by Member States for the structural reform process of UNIDO,
Considering that the process of reform will require a transitional period before fully achieving its objectives,

1. Requests the Director-General to ensure the compatibility of activities within the medium-term plan with the policy framework of UNIDO outlined in document GC.5/23 and endorsed by the General Conference in resolution GC.5/Res.18;

2. Consequently requests the Director-General to further enhance the quality management system in conformity with the relevant paragraphs on funds mobilization and quality management of document GC.5/23;

3. Stresses that all UNIDO programmes and projects should be consistent with the relevant quality concepts described in Industrial Development Board decision IDB.9/Dec.7, in particular paragraph (k);

4. Calls upon the Member States to support the revitalization of UNIDO by providing the Organization with additional extrabudgetary resources;

5. Invites the Director-General to enhance cooperation and communication with multilateral and bilateral development cooperation institutions, with a view to increasing their support for the industrialization of developing countries;

6. Further requests the Director-General to report on the implementation of the present resolution, in particular paragraph 2 above, to the General Conference at its sixth session through the Industrial Development Board.

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GC.5/Res.2  HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

The General Conference,
Recalling its resolution GC.4/Res.15 and Industrial Development Board decision IDB.10/Dec.3,
Reiterating the vital importance of the development of human resources on a sound and integrated basis for the promotion and acceleration of the industrialization process in the developing countries,

1. Fully endorses Board decision IDB.11/Dec.3;

2. Also requests the Director-General:

(a) To address in particular the needs of managerial training and human resource development in the areas of technology and management, quality control and productive techniques;

(b) To strengthen institutions in developing countries to enhance their capacity for national execution of development cooperation projects;

(c) To assist in the assessment of changing skill requirements and in strengthening the capacities of industry, especially industrial associations for human resource development;

3. Further requests the Director-General to report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Conference at its sixth session through the Industrial Development Board.

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GC.5/Res.3  DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY

The General Conference,
Recalling its resolution GC.4/Res.13 and Industrial Development Board decisions IDB.9/Dec.10 and IDB.11/Dec.20,
Emphasizing the important role of the development, access to and transfer of technology to developing countries in promoting and accelerating their industrial development process,

Stressing the need to increase the dissemination of information on new technologies, on potential sources for investment and technological cooperation and the promotion of technological information,

Further stressing the need to strengthen cooperation with all international agencies in the field of industrial technological information to enable developing countries to have wider access to information sources,

1. Requests the Director-General to promote in the implementation of UNIDO activities, inter alia:

(a) The increase of technology flow, including environmentally friendly technologies, to developing countries;

(b) The development and use of indigenous scientific and technical capacity through the training of the developing countries' scientific and engineering human resources and the strengthening of national institutions;

(c) The implementation of an efficient technological management in developing countries as an instrument to increase industrial productivity and competitiveness;

2. Further requests the Director-General:

(a) To continue his efforts to monitor and evaluate new and emerging technologies that might be beneficial to the developing countries;

(b) To examine constraints in the access to and transfer of technology, with a view to identifying remedies through cooperation with other relevant organizations;
(c) To provide information services to industry to facilitate the widest possible access of developing countries to technological information on industrial subsectors and to strengthen the functions of the Industrial and Technological Information Bank accordingly;

3. Requests the international community, particularly the industrialized countries, to promote on a fair basis the transfer of technology to developing countries and to enhance financially and technologically, through multilateral and bilateral assistance, the technological capabilities of developing countries;

4. Further requests the Director-General to report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Conference at its sixth session, through the Industrial Development Board.

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GC.5/Res.4 INDUSTRIAL REHABILITATION

The General Conference,

Recalling Industrial Development Board decisions IDB.9/Dec.2 and IDB.11/Dec.2 on UNIDO policies,

Reaffirming the increasing importance of industrial rehabilitation and modernization in accelerating industrial development, in particular in developing countries,

Recognizing the increasing role of the private sector in industrial development and the need for UNIDO to take into consideration supporting the development of the private sector in its programmes and projects,

1. Approves the revised UNIDO programme for industrial rehabilitation and modernization as contained in document GC.5/12/Rev.1, paragraphs 23 to 26, including the subprogramme on advisory services and assistance for privatization;

2. Requests the Director-General, in the implementation of this programme:

(a) To cooperate with regional organizations in assisting developing countries in industrial rehabilitation and modernization;

(b) To take into consideration the activities of relevant organizations in the field of privatization and to cooperate with them;

3. Further requests the Director-General to present to the General Conference at its sixth session a report on the implementation of the present resolution, through the Industrial Development Board.

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GC.5/Res.5 SMALL- AND MEDIUM-SCALE INDUSTRIES

The General Conference,

Recalling Industrial Development Board decision IDB.11/Dec.2 on UNIDO policies,

Recognizing the importance of small- and medium-scale industries for, inter alia, employment creation, rural industrialization and poverty alleviation, and export growth as well as their contribution to creating efficient, interlinked industrial systems,

1. Approves the UNIDO programme for small- and medium-scale industries contained in document GC.5/11;

2. Requests the Director-General to present to the General Conference at its sixth session a report on the implementation of the UNIDO programme on small- and medium-scale industries, through the Industrial Development Board.

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GC.5/Res.6 ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY AND SUSTAINABLE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INCLUDING FOLLOW-UP TO THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

The General Conference,


Further recalling the requests of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development to the United Nations specialized agencies to integrate the concept of sustainable development into their programmes and projects,

Recognizing the relationship between the objective of ecologically sustainable industrial development and the conservation and optimal use of natural resources, including energy, in industrial processes,

1. Requests the Director-General to take into consideration in implementing the UNIDO environment programme the need:

(a) To enhance the transfer of cleaner production technologies and techniques to developing countries under most favoured nations arrangements;

(b) To promote the capacity of developing countries to develop and produce such technologies and techniques;

(c) To promote technical cooperation among developing countries in environment-related matters;

(d) To further enhance in-house analytical capacity in the field of environment and energy;

(e) To disseminate information on environmental risks associated with industrial processes and technology, and measures for protection against such risks;

2. Also requests the Director-General to take appropriate measures to comply with all relevant recommendations of Agenda 21 and seek a leading role for UNIDO in their implementation;

3. Further requests the Director-General in this context to take into account in implementing UNIDO energy activities the need of developing countries:

(a) To utilize better their own energy resources in order to increase their industrial production;
(b) To develop their capacity to produce energy-related technologies for industrial development;

(c) To focus on the provision of energy for rural industries;

4. Requests the Director-General to present to the General Conference at its sixth session a report on the implementation of the present resolution through the Industrial Development Board.

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GC.5/Res.7 INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT PROMOTION

The General Conference,

Recalling its resolution GC.4/Res.17 and Industrial Development Board decisions IDB.9/Dec.11 and IDB.11/Dec.21,

Noting with concern that foreign direct investment flow to developing countries remains at a low level and that its full potential is yet to be realized,

Recognizing the continuous efforts by developing countries to implement economic restructuring programmes and to introduce the necessary changes in their legislation in order to attract foreign direct investment,

1. Invites relevant international and financial institutions to cooperate fully and more intensively with UNIDO in the field of industrial investment promotion;

2. Requests the Director-General to continue:

(a) To expand and strengthen all relevant industrial investment promotion activities of UNIDO to further the industrial development of developing countries, particularly the least developed;

(b) To make efforts to develop regional investment promotion activities and mobilize resources for implementing such activities;

(c) To strengthen the flow of information and data on industrial investment between industrial and financial sectors of developed and developing countries through, inter alia, a network between UNIDO and national focal points;

(d) To strengthen cooperation with international and financial institutions in the field of industrial investment promotion in the developing countries;

(e) To improve the programme of assistance rendered by the Industrial Promotion Services to the delegates of developing countries and to mobilize additional resources for that purpose;

(f) To cooperate with interested parties with a view to mobilizing additional extra-budgetary resources to support investment promotion programmes for countries with economies in transition;

3. Also requests the Director-General to further seek ways of enhancing the efficiency, effectiveness and the impact of the programme, with due regard to the recommendations of the relevant in-depth evaluation and relevant paragraphs of document GC.5/23, in particular paragraphs 46 and 76;

4. Appeals to Member States and international and financial organizations to mobilize additional contributions for this programme;

5. Further requests the Director-General to report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Conference at its sixth session through the Industrial Development Board.

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GC.5/Res.8 INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FUND AND OTHER VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS: GUIDELINES FOR SPECIAL TRUST FUND PROJECTS

The General Conference,


Recognizing the key role of the Industrial Development Fund as an important instrument for financing technical cooperation activities of UNIDO,

Affirming the importance of UNIDO trust fund schemes in supplementing traditional technical cooperation programmes in favour of developing countries,

1. Encourages Member States and other contributors:

(a) To increase their pledging policies to ensure that the desirable annual funding level of $50 million be reached as soon as possible;

(b) To review their pledging policies in order to increase their contributions to the general-purpose convertible segment of the Fund so that a minimum annual level of $10 million be achieved as soon as possible;

(c) To consider providing umbrella contributions for financing preparatory assistance activities of large-scale projects and programmes and/or as freely programmable contributions towards related medium-term programme frameworks;

2. Requests the Director-General:

(a) To prepare comprehensive policy guidelines for all projects funded from funds administered by UNIDO, as stated in document GC.5/29;

(b) To report on the results of the in-depth evaluation on special trust fund projects, as requested by the Industrial Development Board in decisions IDB.5/Dec.12 and IDB.6/Dec.14, taking into account the new organizational and staff structure of UNIDO as set out in document GC.5/23;

3. Further requests the Director-General to strengthen the capability of the Organization in the field of resource mobilization and management of voluntary contributions;
4. Finally requests the Director-General to report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Conference at its sixth session through the Industrial Development Board.

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**GC.5/Res.9**  
THE EXTERNAL DEBT AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

The General Conference,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 47/198 on international debt crisis and development,

Recalling its resolution GC.4/Res.22 and Industrial Development Board decision IDB.10/Dec.16,

Noting with concern that the debt and debt-service problems of some lower- and middle-income developing countries affect their industrial development efforts and economic growth,

Stressing the necessity of a supportive international economic environment for industrial development, including an open and transparent multilateral trading system,

Emphasizing the importance for developing countries to continue their efforts in economic reform, stabilization and structural adjustment programmes in order to promote a favourable economic environment for industrial development,

1. Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Director-General on the external debt and industrial development contained in documents GC.5/6 and GC.5/6/Add.1;

2. **Requests** the Director-General:

(a) To ensure that in the planning, formulation and implementation of UNIDO activities the debt problems of developing countries be considered in connection with the priorities of developing countries;

(b) To improve, in cooperation with Member States and with the competent international and financial institutions and regional organizations, the present methods of industrial financing and to apply, within the sphere of competence of UNIDO, innovative approaches and proposals for projects that take into account, inter alia, debt servicing burdens and that are aimed at attenuating the negative effects of external debt on industrial development;

(c) To promote financial contributions to the Industrial Development Fund, to rehabilitate and increase the competitiveness of industry of the highly indebted developing countries;

3. Further requests the Director-General to report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Conference at its sixth session through the Industrial Development Board.

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**GC.5/Res.10**  
ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

The General Conference,

Recalling its resolution GC.4/Res.11 and Industrial Development Board decisions IDB.9/Dec.8 and IDB.11/Dec.16,

Stressing that the UNIDO programme for economic and technical cooperation among developing countries continues to be a valuable instrument within the technical cooperation activities of the Organization for promoting rational and efficient use of human, material, financial and technological resources available in developing countries,

Further stressing that the effectiveness of industrial economic and technical cooperation among developing countries depends on the support of all Member States,

1. **Requests** the Director-General:

(a) To seek information from developing countries regarding their needs and capabilities in the field of industrial development with a view to identifying more fully the potential for and promoting specific economic and technical cooperation among developing countries;

(b) To increase UNIDO support for economic and technical cooperation among developing countries in the field of industrial development through, inter alia, increased cooperation with regional intergovernmental organizations as well as regional commissions in the respective regions;

(c) To continue to mobilize funds with a view to increasing the financing of industrial economic and technical cooperation among developing countries;

(d) To continue his efforts to increase the utilization of experts, services and equipment from developing countries in technical cooperation projects of UNIDO;

(e) To ensure the maximum utilization of other relevant activities of UNIDO, including consultation meetings and investment forums for promoting industrial economic and technical cooperation among developing countries;

2. Further requests the Director-General to report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Conference at its sixth session through the Industrial Development Board.

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**GC.5/Res.11**  
INTEGRATION OF WOMEN IN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

The General Conference,

Recalling its resolution GC.4/Res.12 and Industrial Development Board decision IDB.11/Dec.17,
Further recalling the programme and plan of action for the integration of women in industrial development, 1990-1995,

Taking note of the progress report of the Director-General on the matter contained in document GC.5/10,

Reaffirming the importance of the integration of women in industrial development in the context of the UNIDO response to sustainable development, as called for in Agenda 21,

1. Requests the Director-General:

(a) To ensure that gender considerations are integrated into all activities of UNIDO and to enhance the implementation of the relevant programme;

(b) To contribute to the preparations for the Fourth World Conference on Women: Action for Equality, Development and Peace, to be held at Beijing, China, in 1995, by highlighting issues related to women in industrial development;

(c) To secure, within existing resources from the regular budget as well as from extrabudgetary resources, the necessary funds for the implementation of the programmes and plan of action for the integration of women in industrial development;

2. Encourages Member States to intensify their efforts to strengthen programmes, projects and promotional activities aimed at the integration of women in industrial development;

3. Further requests the Director-General to report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Conference at its sixth session through the Industrial Development Board.

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GC.5/Res.12 SECOND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DECADE FOR AFRICA

The General Conference,


Taking note of the recommendations of the tenth and eleventh meetings of the Conference of African Ministers of Industry contained in its resolutions 1(X) and 1(XI) on the programme of the Second IDDA,

Further taking note of the Mauritius Declaration on Africa's Accelerated Industrial Recovery and Development in the context of the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa (1993-2002) and beyond, adopted by the Conference of African Ministers of Industry at its eleventh meeting,

Bearing in mind the low level of industrial development in Africa and recognizing the important role which UNIDO can play in the process of its rapid industrialization,

1. Requests the Director-General:

(a) To provide African countries assistance in formulating industrial sector policies with a view to creating an enabling environment for increased industrial investment, and in the formulation of policies, procedures and guidelines for enhancement of initiatives for private sector development;

(b) In cooperation with the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa, to give high priority to the development of the African private sector and facilitate its involvement in the implementation of the programme for the Second IDDA;

(c) To ensure appropriate staffing for the implementation of the programme for the Second IDDA;

2. Urges multilateral development finance and bilateral aid institutions to give high priority to increased investment in the industrial sector as a means of encouraging foreign private investment in the industrial sectors in Africa;

3. Decides to give full support to all parts of the programme for the Second IDDA, and in doing so, give particular attention:

(a) To programme and project identification, preparation, implementation and monitoring;

(b) To preparation, evaluation and negotiation of bids and contracts;

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

(d) To procurement, adaptation and development of technology, plant management and consultancy services;

(e) To industrial strategies and policies and setting up of institutional support, including development of sustainable institutional capability for industrial services and support to local enterprises in cooperation with local chambers of commerce and representatives of industry groups and associations;

(f) To comprehensive development of small- and medium-scale industries;

(g) To the assessment and determination of appropriate interrelationships between environmental and ecological needs and industrial growth and priorities in African countries;

4. Further requests the Director-General, in cooperation with the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa and the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity:

(a) To continue to give high priority to the mobilization of external financial resources for the execution of programmes for the Second IDDA;

(b) To continue to intensify their cooperation in providing to African intergovernmental organizations the necessary assistance in strengthening the role of the industrial sector in the implementation of the subregional component of IDDA within the framework of the African Economic Community;
5. Requests the Director-General to present to the General Conference at its sixth session a report on the measures called for in the present resolution, through the Industrial Development Board.

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GC.5/Res.13 SPECIAL PROGRAMME FOR INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE ARAB COUNTRIES

The General Conference,

Recalling its resolution GC.4/Res.5 and Industrial Development Board decisions IDB.10/Dec.12 and IDB.11/Dec.12,

Recognizing the emerging needs of the Arab region to enhance its industrial capacities and develop its human resources with a view to promoting industrial development, particularly in the least developed Arab countries, as well as to strengthen industrial regional cooperation,

Emphasizing the role of UNIDO in the attainment of these objectives and the mobilization of the required resources and expressing its appreciation for the achievements of UNIDO in this regard,

1. Requests the Director-General to orient the Special Programme activities in the Arab countries towards the following priority areas:

(a) Human resource development;
(b) Development of national and regional technological capacities;
(c) Upgrading the competitiveness of industrial products;
(d) Standardization and quality control;
(e) Industrial management information;
(f) Food security through the development of agro-industries;
(g) Promotion of the private sector, industrial rehabilitation and investment activities;
(h) Sustainable industrial development through energy conservation and environment protection;

2. Also requests the Director-General:

(a) To secure, in addition to the allocations in the regular budget, the funds necessary for the Special Programme;
(b) To enhance the management and capabilities of the Arab countries programme, in particular through appropriate staffing of the unit administering the Programme;
(c) To strengthen cooperation with the specialized Arab organizations in planning activities of the Special Programme for Industrial Development in the Arab Countries;
(d) To extend his assistance to the forthcoming meeting of the Arab Ministers of Industry, to be held at Rabat, Morocco, in June 1994;

3. Further requests the Director-General to report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Conference at its sixth session through the Industrial Development Board.

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GC.5/Res.14 SPECIAL PROGRAMME FOR THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OF ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

The General Conference,

Recalling its decision GC.4/Dec.12 and Industrial Development Board decisions IDB.9/Dec.5 and IDB.11/Dec.10,

Taking note of the Tehran Declaration on Strengthening Regional Cooperation for Technology-led Industrialization in Asia and the Pacific, adopted by the Sixth Regional Meeting of Ministers of Industry and Technology of Asia and the Pacific (Tehran, 28-29 June 1992),

Further taking note of the report of the Director-General on the implementation of the Special Programme as contained in document GC.5/10,

1. Urges Member States to support programmes and projects that are regional or subregional in character through voluntary contributions within the Industrial Development Fund, trust funds and other sources;

2. Requests the Director-General, in the implementation of the Special Programme:

(a) To cooperate with the countries concerned in the formulation of new programmes and projects that enhance intercountry cooperation in the areas set out in General Conference resolution GC.3/Res.18 and decision GC.4/Dec.12, bearing in mind the aspect of economic and technical cooperation among developing countries as well as the special needs of the least developed countries in the region are duly incorporated;
(b) To continue to secure sufficient funds from all possible sources for the effective implementation of ongoing programmes and projects as well as new ones to be formulated in accordance with subparagraph (a) above;
(c) To strengthen the management and capabilities of the Special Programme, inter alia, through appropriate staffing of the corresponding unit;
(d) To increase efforts to promote investment in the industrial sector in countries of the region, taking into account the measures adopted by those countries to facilitate and promote investment;
(e) To strengthen contacts and coordination with multilateral and bilateral development institutions in the implementation of the Programme;
(f) To organize, within available resources, in cooperation with the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific and interested regional organizations and Governments, a regional
meeting in 1995 to consider UNIDO activities and measures to promote industrialization in the region;

3. Further requests the Director-General to report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Conference at its sixth session through the Industrial Development Board.

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GC.5/Res.15 REGIONAL COOPERATION PROGRAMME FOR THE INDUSTRIAL RECOVERY OF LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

The General Conference.

Recalling its resolution GC.4/Res.6 and Industrial Development Board decision IDB.11/Dec.11,

Underlining the high priority given to regional industrialization by the Latin American Economic System (SELA) during the regional consultation and coordination meeting held at Caracas from 6 to 8 October 1993, previous to the fifth session of the General Conference of UNIDO,

Stressing the particular need of the Regional Programme to promote industrial development in the Central American, Caribbean and other economically less developed countries in the region,

1. Requests the Director-General:

(a) To make fully effective the implementation of the Regional Programme with the first five approved projects and to continue its work on additional projects to be agreed upon between Member States of the region and UNIDO;

(b) To enhance the quality of the projects identified and formulated under the Regional Programme, inter alia, through appropriate staffing of the corresponding unit;

(c) To keep the countries of the region fully informed, through the Permanent Missions, on the status of implementation of the Programme and projects, including the financing requirements and other actions needed for their execution;

(d) To organize, in the 1994-1995 biennium from existing resources in the Programme, a regional meeting with national counterparts, and to report at that meeting on the progress made in the Regional Programme and to present his proposals for future reorientation;

2. Also requests the Director-General to submit to the General Conference at its sixth session through the Industrial Development Board a report on the implementation of the present resolution.

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GC.5/Res.16 INDUSTRIALIZATION OF THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

The General Conference.

Recalling the Paris Declaration and Programme of Action of the Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries,

Further recalling its resolutions GC.4/Res.9 and GC.4/Res.10 and Industrial Development Board decision IDB.11/Dec.13,

Noting with deep concern the lack of progress in the industrialization of the least developed countries, particularly in Africa,

Taking note of the conclusions of the Second Ministerial Symposium on the Industrialization of the Least Developed Countries held at Yaoundé, from 3 to 10 December 1993 (annexed to the present resolution),

1. Urges Member States to make new or increase their financial contributions to the Industrial Development Fund for the implementation of the Industrial Action Programme for the Least Developed Countries (PI/114);

2. Appeals to the international community, especially the developed countries, regional and international financial institutions and direct private investors, to strengthen their financial and technological support for the development of the priority sectors included in the Industrial Action Programme for the Least Developed Countries;

3. Requests the Director-General, within the framework of the overall revitalization of UNIDO and its prioritization and structural reform as contained in document GC.5/23, to continue to accord highest priority to the UNIDO least developed countries programme, including the use of funds from the Special Industrial Services programme, the Industrial Development Fund and other sources available to UNIDO in order to assist in the implementation of the Industrial Action Programme for the Least Developed Countries;

4. Further requests the Director-General to take appropriate measures to implement the conclusions and recommendations of the Second Ministerial Symposium on the Industrialization of the Least Developed Countries (Yaoundé, 3-10 December 1993);

5. Also requests the Director-General to present a report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Conference at its sixth session through the Industrial Development Board.

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Annex

CONCLUSIONS OF THE SECOND MINISTERIAL SYMPOSIUM ON THE INDUSTRIALIZATION OF THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

1. The symposium considered the working paper prepared by the UNIDO Secretariat, Financing the Industrial Action Programme for the LDCs: A Challenge for the 1990s (PPD.254(SPEC.)), and found it to be comprehensive and relevant. The delegates considered the major findings in the paper to be in conformity with the experiences of the least developed countries with respect to industrialization. In view of the crucial role of industry, the delegates expressed concern at the stagnation of the industrial sector over the past decade when its contribution to gross domestic product remained constant at approximately 8 per cent and they also expressed concern at the declining share of the sector in the official development assistance of bilateral and multilateral institutions.
2. It was stressed that the 47 least developed countries (29 in Africa, 4 in Arab States, 13 in Asia and the Pacific, and 1 in Latin America and the Caribbean) comprised 500 million people who constitute a formidable number of producers and consumers, having the potential to increase global gross domestic product substantially. It was in the interest of the world economy that industrialization efforts in the least developed countries be vigorously promoted.

3. It was pointed out that the least developed countries were implementing major structural adjustment programmes which involved, among others, reducing the size of the public sector, rationalizing the various regulatory institutions, liberalizing the trade regime, and promoting the private sector. These changes, while auguring well for the future, entailed extreme difficulties in the short term, particularly in respect of rehabilitation of existing industries, development of new industries because of lack of adequate funding, inadequate infrastructure development resulting from competing demand for limited resources, and the collapse of many industries now facing competition after many years of protection.

4. The delegates emphasized that it is of utmost importance that support for industry, particularly adequate resource allocation, be reinforced by national, regional, and international bodies.

5. The delegates noted that the first Ministerial Symposium on the Industrialization of the Least Developed Countries, held in Vienna in November 1991, had laid down the foundation of the strategy for industrialization in the least developed countries and reaffirmed their commitment to the Industrial Action Programme for the Least Developed Countries (PI/114). They were of the opinion that the paper presented in the second Symposium addressed the crucial issue of financing industrialization in the least developed countries and endorsed the conclusions and recommendations of the working paper as a basis for the formulation of national and international strategies in the field of financing for industry.

6. The participating countries presented statements on their national strategies for industrial financing and also expressed their appreciation of the participation of financing institutions, particularly the Inter-American Development Bank and the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries Fund for International Development.

The Symposium:

(a) Noted with grave concern the diminishing share of financial resources directed to the industrial sector in the least developed countries;

(b) Recognized the vacuum created by the deterioration of national development finance institutions in many of the least developed countries;

(c) Stressed the continuing need for national development finance institutions with new operating modalities, whilst acknowledging the inadequacies of these institutions in the past;

(d) Recognized the potential for improved mobilization of domestic savings;

(e) Emphasized the need for adequate access by the least developed countries to the international capital markets and official development finance of multilateral and bilateral institutions and for ensuring the continuous inflow of resources from these institutions to the least developed countries;

(f) Emphasized the urgent need for implementation of the recommendations as contained in 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;

(g) Suggested removal of existing obstacles to the flow of financial resources to the least developed countries;

(h) Suggested that appropriate mechanisms be developed to ease the debt burden including giving high priority to debt cancellation;

(i) Emphasized the importance of enhanced industrial competitiveness, as a condition for integrating the economies of the least developed countries into the world manufacturing system;

(j) Reaffirmed the paramount importance of small- and medium-scale industries as a major component in the industrial development of their countries;

(k) Expressed concern about the severity of conditionality required by creditors, considering that this is a major factor in restricting the access of small- and medium-scale industries to credit;

(l) Recognized the particular need for improving national capacities in project identification, formulation, monitoring, and implementation;

(m) Further recognized the necessity of formulating and implementing industrial policies that create an enabling environment for private sector development;

(n) Recognized the need to take measures with a view to encouraging subregional and regional economic integration;

(o) Emphasized the importance of adequate access to credit for women entrepreneurs, particularly in view of the major role played by them in the small- and medium-sized industries sector;

(p) Recognized the particular capability of UNIDO to provide complementary services to both lenders and borrowers of finance for industry;

(q) Called for UNIDO to increase further its cooperation with financing institutions at national, regional and international levels;

(r) Urged UNIDO to intensify its efforts in building national capacities, particularly as regards human resource development and technological development for industry;

(s) Requested UNIDO to continue and expand its activities in the field of industrial information systems in order to provide the appropriate technical, economic and commercial intelligence for the least developed countries;

(t) Appreciated the efforts of the Director-General of UNIDO to reorient the activities and structure of the Organization in the light of changes in the world economy and, in particular, to respond to the demands of the least developed countries in their industrialization efforts.
GC.5/Res.17 CONTRIBUTION TO INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS TO MITIGATE THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE CHERNOBYL ACCIDENT

The General Conference,

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

Also recalling its resolution GC.4/Res.1 on UNIDO participation in international cooperation for Chernobyl that requested 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,

Taking note with appreciation of the activities of the United Nations Coordinator of International Cooperation for Chernobyl and the Inter-Agency Task Force, as well as welcoming the efforts of the Governments of Belarus, the Russian Federation and Ukraine to coordinate efforts in this field,

Also taking note with concern that the United Nations joint plan for Chernobyl could not yet be fully implemented due to the scarcity of financial resources,

Further taking note of the report of the Director-General on participation of UNIDO in international cooperation to study and mitigate the consequences of the Chernobyl accident, underlining the importance of UNIDO’s efforts to mobilize resources for the preparation of the industrial survey of Belarus, the Russian Federation and Ukraine affected by the Chernobyl accident,

1. Approves the Member States as well as international and financial institutions to give support to the international cooperation for Chernobyl, including the provision of financial resources for implementation of the priority projects defined in the report of the Director-General;

2. Requests the Director-General to continue to take appropriate measures in accordance with General Conference resolution GC.4/Res.1 and to reflect the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution in the Annual Report.

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GC.5/Res.18 FUTURE POLICY FRAMEWORK OF UNIDO - ORGANIZATIONAL AND STAFF STRUCTURE

The General Conference,

Recalling Industrial Development Board decision IDB.11/Dec.40,

Reaffirming the need to revitalize the Organization for the effective achievement of its constitutional mandates,

1. Approves the proposals of the Director-General on the future policy framework of UNIDO and its organizational and staff structure outlined in document GC.5/23;

2. Considers the need to pay due regard to the principle of equitable geographical distribution in the Secretariat, and in particular in the implementation of the new organizational and staff structure;

3. Urges all Member States to continue to extend their political, financial and technical support to the Organization in its process of revitalization;

4. Invites all relevant United Nations bodies, intergovernmental organizations and financial institutions to cooperate with UNIDO and support its activities in the field of industrial development;

5. Further requests the Director-General to submit a progress report to the Industrial Development Board at its twelfth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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GC.5/Res.19 WOMEN IN THE SECRETARIAT

The General Conference,

Recalling its decision GC.4/Dec.24 as well as Industrial Development Board decisions IDB.7/Dec.22 and IDB.8/Dec.18,

Taking note with appreciation of the Annual Report of the Director-General for 1992 (IDB.11/10) in which it is reported that the target of 25 per cent overall representation of women in the Professional category has been met,

Noting, however, that there has been no increase of women at the senior level,

1. Urges the Director-General to give special attention to the recruitment and promotion of women to reach the target set in Industrial Development Board decision IDB.7/Dec.22;

2. Further urges the Director-General to take steps to remedy the situation regarding representation of women at the senior level;

3. Approves the recommendation of membership States to encourage applications for vacancies from women and to nominate women candidates, particularly at the senior level.

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GC.5/Res.20 YAOUNDE DECLARATION

The General Conference

Adopts the following Declaration:

We, the Member States of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization,

Having met at Yaoundé from 6 to 9 December 1993 for the fifth session of the General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization,

Having considered the challenges and opportunities arising from the recent changes in the world situation particularly the strong trends
towards deregulation and restructuring which require appropriate responses in the field of industrial development.

Having concluded that UNIDO urgently needs to improve its capacity to make optimal use of available resources,

1. Unanimously approve a far-reaching reform programme to enable the Organization to better realize its objectives and strengthen its role as the central coordinating agency in the United Nations system for the promotion of the industrialization of developing countries;

2. Affirm that a reformed UNIDO should enhance the impact of its activities, ensure greater economy and efficiency, improve the quality of its programmes and performance and respond more effectively to specific demands of Member States;

3. Appreciate in this regard, the determination of the Director-General to bring about major changes in UNIDO's management and structure, including the introduction of improved measures for management and evaluation, on the basis of the principles of balance and efficiency, and encourage him further in this task;

4. Reiterate that the major means of achieving UNIDO's objectives of environmentally sustainable and equitable industrial development remain investment promotion, technology transfer, development of human resources and the creation of an enabling environment, both nationally and internationally, for industrial growth and competitiveness;

5. Emphasize that UNIDO should:
   (a) Give special attention to the industrialization of the least developed countries, which face particular constraints in their resources and infrastructure;
   (b) Accord high priority to the industrialization of Africa and to the realization of the objectives of the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa;

(c) Strengthen its capabilities to promote the restructuring, rehabilitation and privatization of industries, including those of economies in transition without prejudice to the needs of developing countries;

(d) Also strengthen its efforts to promote economic and technical cooperation among developing countries, increased participation of women in industrialization, and the development of small and medium enterprises;

(e) Continue to improve cooperation and coordination with other international organizations and financial institutions, particularly with a view to mobilizing additional resources for industrial development;

6. Hereby firmly commit ourselves in the light of the above to renewing our political and financial support to the revitalized UNIDO and call upon Member States which are in a position to do so and the international community to provide additional resources to support the reformed UNIDO, thereby contributing to an increased impact of the Organization's activities in recipient countries.

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GC.5/Res.21 EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE TO THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF CAMEROON

The General Conference,

Highly appreciative of the kind gesture of the Government of the Republic of Cameroon to host its fifth session at Yaoundé,

Places on record its gratitude to the Government of the Republic of Cameroon and the Cameroonian people for their generous hospitality and excellent arrangements for the Conference.

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