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Introduction

1. The report of the Industrial Development Board on its sixth session is presented to the General Conference in accordance with Article 9.4 (c) of the Constitution. The summary records of the Board (IDB.6/SR.1-8), where details of the proceedings are contained, form an integral part of the present report.

2. The following decisions of the Board reproduced in annex I, are of relevance to the provisional agenda and background information for the fourth session of the Conference:

- IDB.6/Dec.2 Special Programme for Industrial Development in the Arab Countries
- IDB.6/Dec.3 Special Programme for the Industrial Development of Asia and the Pacific
- IDB.6/Dec.4 Regional Co-operation Programme for the Industrial Recovery of Latin America and the Caribbean
- IDB.6/Dec.6 Industrialization of the least developed countries
- IDB.6/Dec.7 UNIDO Environment Programme
- IDB.6/Dec.8 Integration of women in industrial development
- IDB.6/Dec.10 Programmes and activities financed by special trust funds
- IDB.6/Dec.11 Economic co-operation among developing countries
- IDB.6/Dec.12 Technical assistance to Namibia
- IDB.6/Dec.13 Technical assistance to the South African national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity
- IDB.6/Dec.14 Evaluation activities of UNIDO
- IDB.6/Dec.23 Evaluation of the objectives and functions of UNIDO in view of recent changes and developments in the world

3. The sixth session of the Board was held at UNIDO Headquarters, Vienna International Centre, from 28 May to 1 June 1990 (8 plenary meetings - see IDB.6/SR.1-8).

I. ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Participation

4. The following 51 of the 53 members of the Board were represented at the session: Algeria, Argentina, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Cameroon, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Ghana, Greece, Guinea, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Italy, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, Nigeria, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Spain, Sudan, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey,

Uganda, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Yugoslavia, Zaire.

5. The following 34 Member States of UNIDO also participated in the session: Afghanistan, Albania, Bolivia, Burundi, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Canada, Cape Verde, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Czechoslovakia, Ecuador, Guatemala, Ireland, Israel, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Luxembourg, Malta, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Romania, Sweden, Thailand, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Zimbabwe.

6. The Holy See participated as observer.

7. The permanent observer of Palestine also participated.

8. The following United Nations bodies were represented: United Nations Development Programme, United Nations Office at Vienna.

9. The following specialized agencies were represented: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, International Labour Organisation.

10. The following other intergovernmental organizations were represented: Arab Industrial Development and Mining Organization, Arab Union for Cement and Building Materials, Commonwealth Secretariat, European Community, Latin American Economic System, League of Arab States, Organization of African Unity.

11. The following non-governmental organizations were represented: International Association of Crafts and Small and Medium-sized Enterprises, International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, International Federation of Automatic Control, International Federation of Business and Professional Women, International Organization of Consumers Unions, International Organization of Experts, Society of Chemical Industry, Women's International Democratic Federation, World Assembly of Small and Medium Enterprises.

Opening of the session

12. The sixth session of the Board was declared open by the President of the fifth session, E. A. Al-Nowaiser (Saudi Arabia).

Officers of the sixth session

13. In accordance with rule 23 of its rules of procedure, the Board elected by acclamation O. LØNSMANN POULSEN (Denmark) as President; C. VALDIVIA SESMA (Cuba), V. CSERVENY (Hungary), A. TOFIGH (Iran, Islamic Republic of) as Vice-Presidents; and N. AYADI (Algeria) as Rapporteur.

Agenda for the sixth session

14. The Board adopted the following agenda:

1. Opening of the sixth session.
2. Election of officers.
3. Adoption of the agenda for the sixth session.

4. UNIDO policies and the annual report of the Director-General for 1989 on the activities of the Organization, with emphasis on:
 - (a) Special regional programmes:
 - (i) Special Programme for Industrial Development in the Arab Countries;
 - (ii) Special Programme for the Industrial Development of Asia and the Pacific;
 - (iii) Regional Co-operation Programme for the Industrial Recovery of Latin America and the Caribbean;
 - (b) Co-ordinating role of UNIDO;
 - (c) System of Consultations;
 - (d) Least developed countries;
 - (e) Environment activities;
 - (f) Integration of women in industrial development;
 - (g) UNIDO technical co-operation activities in 1989;
 - (h) Programmes and activities financed by special trust funds;
 - (i) Economic co-operation among developing countries;
 - (j) Technical assistance to the Namibian people;
 - (k) Technical assistance to the South African national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity.
5. Evaluation activities of UNIDO.
6. Industrial investment promotion.
7. Contribution of UNIDO to the preparation of an international development strategy for the fourth United Nations development decade.
8. Administrative matters (including co-ordination among Vienna-based organizations) and Headquarters agreement between UNIDO and the Republic of Austria.
9. Matters relating to intergovernmental, non-governmental, governmental and other organizations.
10. Operational activities for development.
11. Agency support costs.
12. Evaluation of the objectives and functions of UNIDO in view of recent changes and developments in the world.
13. Provisional agenda for the seventh session.

14. Adoption of the report of the sixth session.
15. Closure of the sixth session.

Organization of work

15. The Board adopted a proposal by the President to improve the utilization of available conference-servicing resources (see annex I, decision IDB.6/Dec.1).
16. The Board decided to set up informal in-session consultations with the aim of facilitating the drafting of decisions, and entrusted Vice-President V. Cserveny (Hungary) to chair those consultations (IDB.6/SR.2, paras. 1-2).

II. UNIDO ACTIVITIES IN 1989 AND EARLY 1990

17. The debate on item 4 (UNIDO policies and the annual report of the Director-General for 1989 on the activities of the Organization) and its sub-items (a) to (k) (see sections A-L below) is reflected in the summary records IDB.6/SR.1 to IDB.6/SR.4 and IDB.6/SR.5, paragraphs 1 to 57.

A. UNIDO policies and the annual report of the Director-General for 1989 on the activities of the Organization

18. The Board had before it the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10) and an addendum to the Report containing an update for the period January to March 1990 (IDB.6/10/Add.1). On the proposal of the President the Board took note of the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10) and in particular chapter I on policy issues, as well as the update of the Annual Report for the period January to March 1990 (IDB.6/10/Add.1) (see IDB.6/SR.8, paras. 1-2).

B. Special regional programmes

(i) Special Programme for Industrial Development in the Arab Countries

19. The Board had before it a progress report by the Director-General on the Special Programme for Industrial Development in the Arab Countries (IDB.6/7 and Corr.1). The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.6/L.8) and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.2 (see annex I).

(ii) Special Programme for the Industrial Development of Asia and the Pacific

20. The Board had before it a progress report by the Director-General on the Special Programme for the Industrial Development of Asia and the Pacific (IDB.6/8). The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President. (IDB.6/L.1) and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.3 (see annex I).

(iii) Regional Co-operation Programme for the Industrial Recovery of Latin America and the Caribbean

21. The Board had before it a progress report by the Director-General on the Regional Co-operation Programme for the Industrial Recovery of Latin America and the Caribbean (IDB.6/11). The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.6/L.2) and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.4 (see annex I).

C. Co-ordinating role of UNIDO

22. The Board had before it the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10, chap. VI) and a note by the Director-General on the draft cross-organizational programme analysis of the United Nations system on industrial development (IDB.6/13).

D. System of Consultations

23. The Board had before it the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10, chap. III, paras. 1-16), a report by the Director-General on Consultations held in 1989 and plan for technical co-operation follow-up activities (IDB.6/12), proposals by the Director-General on a programme of Consultations for the biennium 1992-1993 (IDB.6/6), the report on the Consultation on the Food-processing Industry with Emphasis on Fruit and Vegetable Processing (ID/366), the report on the First Consultation on the Electronics Industry (ID/367), the report on the First Consultation on Small- and Medium-scale Enterprises including Co-operatives (ID/368) and the report on the Third Consultation on the Capital Goods Industry with Emphasis on Rural Transport Equipment (ID/370). The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.6/L.16) and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.5 (see annex I).

E. Least developed countries

24. The Board had before it the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10, chap. IV, paras. 9-14) and an addendum to the Report containing an update for the period January to March 1990 (IDB.6/10/Add.1, paras. 4-11). The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.6/L.3) and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.6 (see annex I).

F. Environment activities

25. The Board had before it the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10, chap. II, paras. 179-185) and a UNIDO environment programme proposed by the Director-General (IDB.6/3). The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.6/L.12) and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.7 (see annex I).

G. Integration of women in industrial development

26. The Board had before it the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10, chap. IV, paras. 25-31) and an addendum to the Report containing an update for the period January to March 1990 (IDB.6/10/Add.1, paras. 26-29). The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.6/L.11) and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.8 (see annex I).

H. UNIDO technical co-operation activities in 1989

27. The Board had before it the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10), a note by the Secretariat on UNIDO technical co-operation activities in 1989 (IDB.6/18) and a list of technical co-operation projects approved and/or operational in 1989 (IDB.6/CRP.1). The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.6/L.4) and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.9 (see annex I).

I. Programmes and activities financed by special trust funds

28. The Board had before it the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10, chap. VIII, paras. 22-28), a report by the Director-General on programmes and

activities financed by special trust funds (IDB.6/16) and lists of ongoing or completed special trust fund projects, 1 January 1987 to 31 March 1990 (IDB.6/CRP.2). The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.6/L.15) and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.10 (see annex I).

J. Economic co-operation among developing countries

29. The Board had before it the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10, chap. IV, paras. 15-24) and an addendum to the Report containing an update for the period January to March 1990 (IDB.6/10/Add.1, paras. 12-25). The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.6/L.7) and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.11 (see annex I).

K. Technical assistance to Namibia

30. The Board had before it the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10, chap. II, para. 21) and an addendum to the Report containing an update for the period January to March 1990 (IDB.6/10/Add.1, para. 2). The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.6/L.5) and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.12 (see annex I).

L. Technical assistance to the South African national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity

31. The Board had before it the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10, chap. II, para. 22) and an addendum to the Report containing an update for the period January to March 1990 (IDB.6/10/Add.1, para. 3). The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.6/L.6) and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.13 (see annex I).

III. EVALUATION ACTIVITIES OF UNIDO

32. The Board had before it the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10, chap. V) and a report by the Director-General on evaluation activities of UNIDO (IDB.6/2). The debate on the subject is reflected in summary record IDB.6/SR.6, paragraphs 3 to 28. The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.6/L.9) and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.14 (see annex I).

IV. INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT PROMOTION

33. The Board had before it the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10, chap. III, paras. 37-47) and a progress report by the Director-General on industrial investment promotion activities of UNIDO (IDB.6/9). The debate on the subject is reflected in summary record IDB.6/SR.7, paragraphs 29 to 76. The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.6/L.13) and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.15 (see annex I).

V. CONTRIBUTION OF UNIDO TO THE PREPARATION OF AN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FOR THE FOURTH UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT DECADE

34. The Board had before it a progress report by the Director-General on the contribution of UNIDO to the preparation of an international development strategy for the fourth United Nations development decade (IDB.6/5). The debate on the subject is reflected in summary record IDB.6/SR.7, paragraphs 1 to 25. The Board considered a draft

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DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD AT ITS SIXTH SESSION*

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decision submitted by the President (IDB.6/L.18) and a proposed amendment (IDB.6/SR.8, paras. 50-51) and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.16 (see annex I).

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (INCLUDING CO-ORDINATION AMONG VIENNA-BASED ORGANIZATIONS) AND HEADQUARTERS AGREEMENT BETWEEN UNIDO AND THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA

35. The Board had before it a report by the President of the fifth session of the Industrial Development Board on co-ordination of the administrative activities of Vienna-based organizations within the United Nations system (IDB.6/20), a note by the Secretariat on issues related to the United Nations common system and the International Civil Service Commission (IDB.6/22), and reports by the Director-General on a Headquarters agreement between UNIDO and the Republic of Austria (IDB.6/17) and on space requirements at the Vienna International Centre (IDB.6/14). The debate on these subjects is reflected in summary record IDB.6/SR.7, paragraphs 77 to 95. The Board considered two draft decisions submitted by the President (IDB.6/L.17 and L.20) and adopted decisions IDB.6/Dec.17 and IDB.6/Dec.18 (see annex I). For a statement made in connection with the adoption of decision IDB.6/Dec.18, see summary record IDB.6/SR.8, paragraph 54.

VII. MATTERS RELATING TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL, NON-GOVERNMENTAL, GOVERNMENTAL AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

36. The Board had before it two notes by the Director-General containing information on intergovernmental organizations not in the United Nations system (IDB.6/15 and Add.1) and on applications from non-governmental organizations for consultative status (IDB.6/4). The debate on the subject is reflected in summary record IDB.6/SR.6, paragraphs 1 and 2, and IDB.6/SR.7, paragraphs 96 to 99. The Board considered recommendations of the Bureau that were submitted orally by the President and adopted decisions IDB.6/Dec.19 and IDB.6/Dec.20 (see annex I).

VIII. OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR DEVELOPMENT

37. The Board had before it United Nations General Assembly resolution 44/211 on the comprehensive triennial policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system and a note by the Director-General on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 44/211 (IDB.6/19). The debate on the subject is reflected in summary record IDB.6/SR.7, paragraphs 26 to 28. The Board

had before it a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.6/L.19) and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.21 (see annex I).

IX. AGENCY SUPPORT COSTS

38. The Board had before it a report by the Director-General on successor arrangements for agency support costs (IDB.6/21-PBC.6/14). The debate on the subject is reflected in summary records IDB.6/SR.1-4; IDB.6/SR.5, paragraphs 1-57; IDB.6/SR.6, paragraphs 29-105. After extensive consultations with a number of delegations the President proposed, as a compromise, the text of a draft letter to be sent by him to the President of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) reflecting the discussions on the subject and enclosing the relevant summary records. In the context of that issue, the Board considered a procedural draft decision proposed orally by the President authorizing him to forward the letter to the President of the UNDP Governing Council. The Board, with a minor amendment to the letter (IDB.6/SR.8, paras. 67-68), adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.22 (see annex I). For a statement made in connection with the adoption of the decision, see summary record IDB.6/SR.8, paragraph 71.

X. EVALUATION OF THE OBJECTIVES AND FUNCTIONS OF UNIDO IN VIEW OF RECENT CHANGES AND DEVELOPMENTS IN THE WORLD

39. The Board had before it a statement by the Group of 77 contained in document IDB.6/1/Rev.2/Add.1/Corr.1. The debate on the subject is reflected in summary records IDB.6/SR.1 to IDB.6/SR.5. The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.6/L.14) and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.23 (see annex I).

XI. PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE SEVENTH SESSION

40. The Board considered a list of items for the provisional agenda of its seventh session contained in Board decision IDB.6/S.3/Dec.2, and adopted decision IDB.6/Dec.24 (see annex I).

XII. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT AND CLOSURE OF THE SIXTH SESSION

41. The Board considered the draft report (IDB.6/L.10) and adopted the report as a whole, on the understanding that the Rapporteur would be entrusted with the task of finalizing the report (see IDB.6/SR.8, paras. 77-79).

42. On 1 June 1990, the Board closed its sixth session.

IDB.6/Dec.1 IMPROVED UTILIZATION OF
AVAILABLE CONFERENCE-SERVICING
RESOURCES

The Industrial Development Board, with the aim of utilizing the available conference-servicing resources to the maximum extent possible, decided to suspend with immediate effect rule 32 of its rules of procedure relating to the quorum, for the meetings of its sixth session only and provided no substantive decisions were taken at those meetings.

1st plenary meeting
28 May 1990

IDB.6/Dec.2 SPECIAL PROGRAMME FOR INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT IN THE ARAB
COUNTRIES

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Recalled its decision IDB.5/Dec.26 on the Special Programme for Industrial Development in the Arab Countries;

(b) Recalled General Conference resolution GC.3/Res.9, in particular paragraph 2, on economic and technical co-operation among developing countries;

(c) Observed the slow and very uneven industrial growth in the Arab countries, especially in the least developed among them;

(d) Realized the need for the Arab countries to develop their human, financial and natural resources, and to direct them towards the achievement of industrial development objectives;

(e) Appreciated the importance of strengthening the relations between UNIDO and specialized Arab organizations, in particular the Arab Industrial Development and Mining Organization (AIDMO), given the role they play in catalyzing, promoting and accelerating industrial development in the Arab countries;

(f) Took note of the progress report by the Director-General on the activities carried out for the preparation of the Special Programme for Industrial Development in the Arab Countries (IDB.6/7 and Corr.1);

(g) Decided:

(i) That the Special Programme should be initially financed through the redeployment of resources within the regular budget, and be supported by the Industrial Development Fund, trust funds and other resources;

(ii) That the Special Programme should cover, inter alia, the following priority areas:

- Agro-industries and agro-based industries;
- Development of human resources;
- Development of technological functions and capacities;
- Industrial rehabilitation;

- Engineering, consulting and industrial information;
- Building materials and tools industry;
- Metallurgical and petrochemical industries;

(h) Urged the Member States of UNIDO and the international institutions concerned with industrial development to support the Special Programme;

(i) Requested the Director-General to include the Special Programme in the next biennium budget 1992-1993 and to submit a report in that regard to the General Conference at its fourth session.

8th plenary meeting
1 June 1990

IDB.6/Dec.3 SPECIAL PROGRAMME FOR THE
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OF
ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Recalled its decision IDB.5/Dec.23 and General Conference resolution GC.3/Res.18 on the Special Programme for the Industrial Development of Asia and the Pacific;

(b) Took note of the progress report by the Director-General on the activities carried out for the preparation of the Special Programme (IDB.6/8);

(c) Requested the Director-General to submit a progress report on the implementation of the preparatory phase of the Special Programme and recommendations for follow-up action to the General Conference at its fourth session;

(d) Also requested the Director-General to report on the progress achieved in planning programmes in the priority areas outlined in paragraph 3 of General Conference resolution GC.3/Res.18 and, in that context, to report also on the progress made in establishing a special account within the Industrial Development Fund for that purpose as envisaged in paragraph (d) of Board decision IDB.5/Dec.23.

8th plenary meeting
1 June 1990

IDB.6/Dec.4 REGIONAL CO-OPERATION PROGRAMME
FOR THE INDUSTRIAL RECOVERY OF
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Reaffirmed the provisions of General Conference resolution GC.3/Res.17 on the Regional Co-operation Programme for the Industrial Recovery of Latin America and the Caribbean;

(b) Recalled General Conference resolution GC.3/Res.6 on external debt and industrial development;

(c) Emphasized that the Latin American Economic System (SELA) accorded priority to regional industrialization and, in that connection, had called for the convening of the

Regional Conference on New Industrialization Policies to be held at Sao Paulo (Brazil) from 27 to 30 November 1990;

(d) Requested the Director-General:

- (i) To initiate the implementation of and to seek financing for the five already identified projects of the Regional Programme and submit to the States of the region for their consideration additional projects in priority areas already identified. Those additional projects ought to form a set that, in terms of the quality and number of its component elements, would lead to a broad-based and comprehensive Regional Programme;
- (ii) To inform, on an ongoing basis, the Governments of the region through their Permanent Missions regarding the progress of each of the projects during the stages of project formulation, the search for financing and project implementation in order that the States of the region might suggest such adjustments as they deem necessary;
- (iii) To take into account the recommendations of the 1990 Regional Conference on New Industrialization Policies to be organized by SELA and, in the same way, to consider the guidelines that may be drawn up by both SELA and the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, as well as those suggested by the UNIDO Country Directors and the Regional Adviser, for the smooth operation of the Regional Programme;
- (iv) In accordance with resolution GC.3/Res.17, to submit a full and detailed report on the Regional Programme, in which the biennial programming activities by project, identification of the existing and potential financing sources and the allocation of resources obtained are clearly specified in order to review and widen the portfolio of projects;
- (v) To assign, for the implementation of the Regional Programme, an appropriate number of full-time professionals and administrative support personnel to the co-ordination machinery, without involving any additional expense to the Organization;
- (vi) To allocate additional resources through redeployment, as far as circumstances allow, for the execution of the Regional Programme, taking into account the limited amounts that had been made available to it up to the time of the adoption of the present decision;

(vii) To take the necessary administrative and budgetary steps, within available resources, so that the representatives of the national counterpart agencies might participate in the regional meetings to review the Regional Programme during the period 1990 to 1991;

(e) Also requested the Director-General to submit a full and detailed report on the execution of each of the measures requested in the present decision, through the Board at its eighth session, to the General Conference at its fourth session.

8th plenary meeting
1 June 1990

IDB.6/Dec.5 SYSTEM OF CONSULTATIONS

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Recalled General Conference resolution GC.3/Res.2 on the evaluation of the System of Consultations;

(b) Reaffirmed that the main purpose of the System of Consultations is to be an instrument through which UNIDO is to serve as a forum for developed and developing countries in their contacts and consultations concerning the industrialization of developing countries;

(c) Further reaffirmed that the System of Consultations, as an important and established activity of UNIDO, is a valuable framework for identifying problems associated with the industrialization of developing countries, for considering ways and means of accelerating their industrialization, and for contributing to closer industrial co-operation among Member States, in accordance with the Lima Declaration and Plan of Action on Industrial Development and Co-operation (ID/CONF.3/31, chap. IV);

(d) Approved the conclusions and recommendations of the 1989 Consultations (cf. ID/366, ID/367, ID/368, ID/370) and requested the Director-General to proceed with the implementation of the proposed plan of follow-up action for technical co-operation activities (IDB.6/12, annex);

(e) Also approved the programme of Consultations proposed for the biennium 1992-1993 (IDB.6/6, chap. I);

(f) Decided to postpone consideration of possible topics for the 1994-1995 Consultations until the 1992 (ninth) session of the Board and asked the Director-General to consult regional groups as to their priorities regarding the choice of subjects for Consultations in their respective regions;

(g) Requested the Director-General - in order to avoid duplication of effort, to improve the administration of allocated resources and increase the efficiency of the activities under the System of Consultations - to ensure the strengthening of both internal co-ordination within UNIDO and external co-ordination with the relevant regional organizations in the preparations for, and follow-up to, the Consultations scheduled;

Environment and Development, participation which should be in full compliance with General Assembly resolution 44/228;

- (v) To present to the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development at its meeting in August 1990, an outline for UNIDO's contribution to the Conference;

(g) Also requested the Director-General to ensure that the UNIDO environment programme be:

- (i) Flexible enough to accommodate eventual recommendations agreed upon by consensus resulting from the above-mentioned Conference;
- (ii) In line with the priorities of the medium-term plan of UNIDO, 1990-1995 (GC.3/17);
- (iii) Complementary, and not conditional to UNIDO policies and priorities;

(h) Further requested the Director-General to report on the implementation of the present decision to the General Conference at its fourth session including the UNIDO contribution to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development.

8th plenary meeting
1 June 1990

IDB.6/Dec.8 INTEGRATION OF WOMEN IN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Reaffirmed the provisions of General Conference resolution GC.3/Res.15, particularly its endorsement of the UNIDO programme for the integration of women in industrial development 1990-1995 (GC.3/19, chaps. II-IV; GC.3/CRP.3);

(b) Took note of the Director-General's report on UNIDO activities aimed at the integration of women in industrial development as contained in the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10, chapter IV, paras. 25-31) and its update (IDB.6/10/Add.1, paras. 26-29);

(c) Noted with concern that the participation of women in UNIDO training activities remained very low;

(d) Emphasized the fact that there were vast opportunities to integrate women in UNIDO's technical co-operation activities which remained unexplored;

(e) Encouraged Member States to increase their contributions to extrabudgetary resources for financing projects aimed at integration of women in industrial development, bearing in mind that the implementation of the plan of action for the medium term 1990-1995 and the activities for the biennium 1990-1991 are largely dependent on the mobilization of extrabudgetary resources;

(f) Urged the Director-General to continue in-house co-ordination with the Unit for the Integration of Women in Industrial Development,

particularly with regard to the participation of women-in-development sectoral experts in programming and review missions of ongoing and pipeline projects, to ensure that the women component be taken into account in the formulation and implementation of all technical co-operation activities;

(g) Requested the Director-General to ensure the inclusion of gender-specific indicators in the design and implementation of activities in the areas defined in the medium-term plan, 1990-1995 (GC.3/17);

(h) Also requested the Director-General to continue to notify Member States of the need to include more women candidates for UNIDO training activities;

(i) Further requested the Director-General to present a report on the progress achieved in the implementation of the UNIDO programme for the integration of women in industrial development to the General Conference at its fourth session.

8th plenary meeting
1 June 1990

IDB.6/Dec.9 UNIDO TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION ACTIVITIES

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Took note of the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10) including its update (IDB.6/10/Add.1), and the note by the Secretariat on UNIDO technical co-operation activities in 1989 (IDB.6/18);

(b) Recalled paragraph (f) of decision GC.3/Dec.25 of the General Conference relating to the Industrial Development Fund and other voluntary contributions, in which Member States were encouraged to consider providing contributions for financing preparatory assistance activities of large-scale projects and programmes;

(c) Urged the Director-General to implement technical co-operation projects and also large-scale projects and programmes within the mandate of the Organization, and to ensure their quality, effectiveness and volume for the benefit of developing countries taking into account the urgency and seriousness of the economic and social problems of developing countries;

(d) Reiterated the importance of Area Programmes as the focal point within the Organization on technical co-operation activities and therefore urged the Director-General to take all measures towards strengthening them;

(e) Requested the Director-General to prepare a report on the measures necessary to ensure that, in the execution of technical co-operation projects in developing countries, the expert component costs are kept at an optimum ratio in relation to training and equipment costs;

(f) Further requested the Director-General to take appropriate measures to ensure that the annual list of technical co-operation projects to be submitted to the Board contain precise and up-to-date information, including additional information on global and interregional projects;

(h) Further requested the Director-General to finance on a more secure and foreseeable basis the follow-up activities of the System of Consultations.

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1 June 1990

IDB.6/Dec.6 INDUSTRIALIZATION OF THE
LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Recalled General Conference resolution GC.3/Res.11;

(b) Took note, with appreciation, of documents IDB.6/10 and Add.1, and in particular of the creation of the post of Co-ordinator for the least developed countries through redeployment, as well as the increase in the number of UNIDO Country Directors serving the least developed countries;

(c) Also took note of the UNIDO contribution "Industrial development of least developed countries in the 1980s and prospects for the 1990s" (A/CONF.147/PC/3/Add.13 - TD/B/AC.17/31/Add.13) to the Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, to be held in Paris from 3 to 14 September 1990, and requested the Director-General to ensure the active participation of UNIDO in that Conference;

(d) Requested the Director-General:

(i) To continue to accord highest priority to the least developed countries in the technical co-operation and all other programmes of the Organization;

(ii) To enhance the ability of the Co-ordinator for the least developed countries in the UNIDO Secretariat to take immediate and effective steps for the industrial rehabilitation and reconstruction necessary in the wake of natural disasters, including the visiting of a least developed country at the request of and in consultation with the least developed country concerned;

(iii) To continue his efforts to mobilize funds to assist the least developed countries in the promotion of their industrial sector;

(e) Urged donor countries to increase their financial contributions, *inter alia*, to the Industrial Development Fund, for technical assistance to the least developed countries in the field of industrial development;

(f) Requested the Director-General to report on the implementation of the present decision in the annual report for 1990 and to the General Conference at its fourth session.

8th plenary meeting
1 June 1990

IDB.6/Dec.7 UNIDO ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Recalled United Nations General Assembly resolution 44/228 on the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development;

(b) Further recalled General Conference resolution GC.3/Res.16 on UNIDO contributions to environment and industrial development;

(c) Reaffirmed the basic principles contained in the above-mentioned resolutions, in particular:

(i) The promotion of the economic and social development as the essential factor for the protection of the environment;

(ii) The fostering of international co-operation and shared responsibility in environmental protection;

(iii) The need for international co-operation in the research and development of environmentally sound technologies, as well as the development of domestic technologies in developing countries, including access to and transfer of needed environmental technologies, on a non-commercial basis;

(d) Approved the proposed UNIDO environment programme and its activities as outlined in paragraphs 3 to 28 of document IDB.6/3;

(e) Took note that the programme would be funded through:

(i) Special-purpose contributions to the Industrial Development Fund;

(ii) Other sources of funds without adversely affecting net aid flow to the developing countries;

(f) Requested the Director-General:

(i) To strengthen in-house training in that field;

(ii) To consult with Member States in setting priorities for projects under the programme;

(iii) To continue close co-operation with other United Nations agencies on the United Nations System-wide Medium-term Environment Programme 1990-1995 and conclude a working arrangement between UNIDO and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP);

(iv) To ensure that a broad dialogue between Member States and the Secretariat determine the guidelines for UNIDO participation and contributions to the United Nations Conference on

Environment and Development, participation which should be in full compliance with General Assembly resolution 44/228;

- (v) To present to the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development at its meeting in August 1990, an outline for UNIDO's contribution to the Conference;

(g) Also requested the Director-General to ensure that the UNIDO environment programme be:

- (i) Flexible enough to accommodate eventual recommendations agreed upon by consensus resulting from the above-mentioned Conference;
- (ii) In line with the priorities of the medium-term plan of UNIDO, 1990-1995 (GC.3/17);
- (iii) Complementary, and not conditional to UNIDO policies and priorities;

(h) Further requested the Director-General to report on the implementation of the present decision to the General Conference at its fourth session including the UNIDO contribution to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development.

8th plenary meeting
1 June 1990

IDB.6/Dec.8 INTEGRATION OF WOMEN IN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Reaffirmed the provisions of General Conference resolution GC.3/Res.15, particularly its endorsement of the UNIDO programme for the integration of women in industrial development 1990-1995 (GC.3/19, chaps. II-IV; GC.3/CRP.3);

(b) Took note of the Director-General's report on UNIDO activities aimed at the integration of women in industrial development as contained in the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10, chapter IV, paras. 25-31) and its update (IDB.6/10/Add.1, paras. 26-29);

(c) Noted with concern that the participation of women in UNIDO training activities remained very low;

(d) Emphasized the fact that there were vast opportunities to integrate women in UNIDO's technical co-operation activities which remained unexplored;

(e) Encouraged Member States to increase their contributions to extrabudgetary resources for financing projects aimed at integration of women in industrial development, bearing in mind that the implementation of the plan of action for the medium term 1990-1995 and the activities for the biennium 1990-1991 are largely dependent on the mobilization of extrabudgetary resources;

(f) Urged the Director-General to continue in-house co-ordination with the Unit for the Integration of Women in Industrial Development,

particularly with regard to the participation of women-in-development sectoral experts in programming and review missions of ongoing and pipeline projects, to ensure that the women component be taken into account in the formulation and implementation of all technical co-operation activities;

(g) Requested the Director-General to ensure the inclusion of gender-specific indicators in the design and implementation of activities in the areas defined in the medium-term plan, 1990-1995 (GC.3/17);

(h) Also requested the Director-General to continue to notify Member States of the need to include more women candidates for UNIDO training activities;

(i) Further requested the Director-General to present a report on the progress achieved in the implementation of the UNIDO programme for the integration of women in industrial development to the General Conference at its fourth session.

8th plenary meeting
1 June 1990

IDB.6/Dec.9 UNIDO TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION ACTIVITIES

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Took note of the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10) including its update (IDB.6/10/Add.1), and the note by the Secretariat on UNIDO technical co-operation activities in 1989 (IDB.6/18);

(b) Recalled paragraph (f) of decision GC.3/Dec.25 of the General Conference relating to the Industrial Development Fund and other voluntary contributions, in which Member States were encouraged to consider providing contributions for financing preparatory assistance activities of large-scale projects and programmes;

(c) Urged the Director-General to implement technical co-operation projects and also large-scale projects and programmes within the mandate of the Organization, and to ensure their quality, effectiveness and volume for the benefit of developing countries taking into account the urgency and seriousness of the economic and social problems of developing countries;

(d) Reiterated the importance of Area Programmes as the focal point within the Organization on technical co-operation activities and therefore urged the Director-General to take all measures towards strengthening them;

(e) Requested the Director-General to prepare a report on the measures necessary to ensure that, in the execution of technical co-operation projects in developing countries, the expert component costs are kept at an optimum ratio in relation to training and equipment costs;

(f) Further requested the Director-General to take appropriate measures to ensure that the annual list of technical co-operation projects to be submitted to the Board contain precise and up-to-date information, including additional information on global and interregional projects;

(b) Took note of the information on technical assistance provided to the South African national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity (OAU) contained in the Annual Report of UNIDO, 1989 (IDB.6/10) and its update (IDB.6/10/Add.1);

(c) Requested the Director-General:

- (i) To continue to increase technical assistance to the South African national liberation movements recognized by OAU, especially in the areas of industrial training, development of small-scale industries, and repair and maintenance of equipment;
- (ii) To submit a progress report on the implementation of the present decision to the General Conference at its fourth session.

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1 June 1990

IDB.6/Dec.14 EVALUATION ACTIVITIES
OF UNIDO

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Noted with interest the increasing role of systematic and long-term scheduled in-depth reviews of UNIDO Headquarters and field programmes in the decision-making process of the Organization;

(b) Urged the Director-General to strengthen the resources available to ensure effective and systematic in-depth evaluations and their follow-up;

(c) Requested the Director-General, two years after the completion of an evaluation, to outline in the annual report the actions which have been taken to implement the recommendations made;

(d) Recalled Board decision IDB.5/Dec.12, whereby the Director-General was requested to undertake further in-depth evaluations in five priority activities of the Organization;

(e) Urged the Director-General to undertake in-depth evaluations of the five activities of UNIDO requested in the aforesaid decision according to the plans indicated in paragraphs 8 to 14 of document IDB.6/2;

(f) Requested the Director-General to continue to develop UNIDO methodology and practices in its evaluation activities and to report on that issue to the General Conference at its fourth session.

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1 June 1990

IDB.6/Dec.15 INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT
PROMOTION

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Noted with great concern the trend of the decreasing flow of capital to the developing countries, aggravated by the excessive outflow of financial resources from developing countries;

(b) Emphasized the increasing importance of the industrial investment activities of UNIDO for the mobilization of financial and other resources for the industrial development of the developing countries;

(c) Reiterated General Conference resolution GC.3/Res.19, with special reference to its third preambular paragraph;

(d) Requested the Director-General to continue to promote the flow of investment to the developing countries, encouraging the establishment of institutions devoted to this purpose, subject to informing the Board beforehand, and the strengthening of existing institutions through the Industrial Investment Division, in accordance with Conference resolution GC.3/Res.19, paragraph 2, subparagraphs (a) and (f);

(e) Further requested the Director-General to continue to work on and to submit as soon as possible the study referred to in Conference resolution GC.3/Res.19, on the possibilities and different modalities for fostering regional investment promotion activities;

(f) Invited the Director-General to increase the participation of representatives of developing countries in the orientation programmes concerning investment promotion, as well as in the delegates' programme for developing countries of the Investment Promotion Service (IPS) offices;

(g) Further requested the Director-General to strengthen co-ordination with the United Nations regional commissions, the regional development banks and other organizations concerned with promoting investment at regional and international level, in order to identify and promote additional financial resources for developing countries;

(h) Invited the Director-General to report to the Board at its eighth session on the implementation of the actions called for in the present decision and on the results of the in-depth evaluation under way.

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1 June 1990

IDB.6/Dec.16 CONTRIBUTION OF UNIDO TO THE
PREPARATION OF AN INTERNATIONAL
DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FOR THE
FOURTH UNITED NATIONS
DEVELOPMENT DECADE

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Recalled its decision IDB.5/Dec.45 and General Conference resolution GC.3/Res.4 on the contribution of UNIDO to the preparation of an international development strategy for the fourth United Nations development decade;

(b) Reaffirmed that industrialization is an essential tool in the eradication of poverty and the promotion of income distribution through employment creation, transfer of technology and human resources and human skill development, while at the same time strengthening the country's external position;

(c) Took note of the progress report by the Director-General (IDB.6/5) on developments for the preparation of an international development

