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2010/1
UNDP budget estimates for the biennium 2010-2011

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note of* the functions, management results, indicators and resource requirements in the budget estimates for the biennium 2010-2011, as contained in document DP/2010/3;
2. *Approves* the presentation of activities and associated costs reflected in document DP/2010/3 which are in line with the classifications of activities and associated costs approved in decision 2009/22;
3. *Approves* gross regular resources in the amount of \$903.4 million, representing the total biennial support budget, 2010-2011, as presented in document DP/2010/3;
4. *Approves* regular resources in the amount of \$77.5 million to cover the costs of Special Purpose activities as described in paragraphs 83 to 112 in DP/2010/3 to include \$72.4 million of General Assembly-mandated activities and \$5.1 million for capital investments;
5. *Welcomes* the proposed strategic investments in the biennial support budget, 2010-2011, as expressed in paragraph 17 of DP/2010/3, and *requests* UNDP to update the Executive Board on the progress of implementation of those investments;
6. *Endorses* the proposal of the Administrator to grant exceptional authority, during 2010-2011, to access up to an additional 30 per cent (\$17.4 million) of the \$58.0 million in net regular resources earmarked for United Nations-mandated security costs, and *decides* that UNDP will limit the use of those funds to new and emerging security mandates, as defined in the United Nations Department of Safety and Security directives, and will report to the Executive Board on the use of those funds in its annual review of the financial situation;
7. *Requests* UNDP to include, in its middle-income countries strategy, referred to in decision 2010/3 on programming arrangements, an assessment of the appropriate base capacity for country offices in middle-income countries and in net contributor countries;
8. *Recalls* decision 2009/22 and *requests* UNDP to apply its provisions in follow-up activities identified in the road map to an integrated budget;
9. *Notes* the efforts made by UNDP to strengthen the results framework of the biennial support budget, and *encourages* UNDP to continue to improve the indicators to be 'specific, measurable, attainable, relevant and time-bound', and to link inputs and expected results in a more explicit manner;
10. *Recalls* decision 2008/1, in which the Executive Board implicitly decided that future budgets for management activities should, to the extent possible, aim at progressive decrease as a proportion of total resources and *notes with some concern* the increase in 2010-2011;
11. *Welcomes* the volume reductions in management costs for 2010-2011, and *requests* UNDP to present the Executive Board with information on achieving further efficiency gains, and to offset, to the extent possible, cost increases to statutory regular resources in future budgets;

12. In that regard, *welcomes* the Administrator's initiative to chart a pathway forward to make the organization an ever more responsive, relevant and efficient organization and leader of the United Nations development system, and *also welcomes* her intention to undertake an in-depth review of UNDP as regards several critical organization-wide initiatives, as described in DP/2010/3 paragraph 18, including on human resources management, and *looks forward* to the engagement of the Executive Board;

13. *Requests* UNDP to take into full account the comments and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, including the need to appropriately differentiate between efficiency gains and savings, as described in paragraph 16 of DP/2010/4;

14. *Takes note of* the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions regarding a consolidated overview of regular resources and other resources, and *requests* UNDP to give a better overview of the total amount of the budget, in particular with regard to the harmonized functions;

15. *Welcomes* the increase in cost recovery and *encourages* UNDP to seek further improvements in transparency and increases in the proportion of the biennial support budget covered by cost recovery income;

16. *Requests* UNDP to include, in future budgets, information on the actual utilization of funds during the previous biennium, in a format similar to that of the resource plan and *also requests* UNDP to continue the process of increasing the transparency and accountability of the budget;

17. *Notes with appreciation* that UNDP, UNFPA and the United Nations Children's Fund, as set out in the road map, will jointly review existing cost definitions and classifications of activities and associated costs, including those related to cost recovery, and in that regard emphasizes the need to explore cost recovery broadly, including both fixed and variable indirect costs;

18. *Also requests* UNDP to continue to assess and provide adequate funding and personnel for its critical oversight functions, including ethics, evaluation, and audit and investigations;

19. *Looks forward* to receiving from UNDP a proposed integrated budget for the period commencing 2014.

22 January 2010

2010/2

Joint information note of UNDP, UNFPA and the United Nations Children's Fund on the road map to an integrated budget

The Executive Board

1. *Welcomes* the presentation of the joint information note of UNDP, UNFPA and the United Nations Children's Fund on the road map to an integrated budget;

2. *Recalls* its decisions 2009/22 and 2009/26 and emphasizes that all the elements contained in those decisions are to be addressed in the follow-up actions;

3. *Urges* UNDP and UNFPA to adhere to the proposed time frames of the road map and to keep the Executive Board informed of progress;
4. *Decides* to include the corrigendum of the results matrix of the UNFPA biennial support budget, 2010-2011(DP/FPA/2009/10/Corr.1), in the biennial support budget.

22 January 2010

2010/3

Midterm review of programming arrangements, 2008-2011

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note of* the report on the midterm review of the programming arrangements, 2008-2011 (DP/2010/5), and the two major areas addressed therein: (a) increasing flexibility and responsiveness to programme country needs; and (b) further rationalizing the programming arrangements framework in the context of the cost classifications approved by the Executive Board in its decision 2009/22;
2. *Approves* the extension of the programming arrangements framework by two additional years (2012-2013) to cover the period 2008-2013, subject to the provisions of the present decision, with the objective of aligning it to the extended strategic plan programming cycle and the joint UNDP, UNFPA and United Nations Children's Fund 'road map' towards an integrated budget in 2014 and onwards;
3. *Approves* the classification of activities and associated costs proposed in document DP/2010/5, paragraph 42 (b) subject to review as provided in paragraph 4, below;
4. *Requests* UNDP to submit to the Executive Board for consideration a second review of the programming arrangements framework at the second regular session 2011, and to include, with the option to implement in 2012 and based on the midterm review, concrete, actionable proposals to improve the operational results of the strategic plan, 2008-2013, with respect to:
 - (a) Possible improvement of the criteria to support the TRAC-1 calculation methodology;
 - (b) Improved support to least developed countries/low-income countries within the resources envelope of the programming arrangements;
 - (c) A strategy for improved support to middle-income countries in accordance with General Assembly resolutions 63/223 and 64/208, and the need to further balance the principles of universality and progressivity;
 - (d) Options for reallocating the fixed lines identified in document DP/2010/5, annex 1;
 - (e) Scaling up support to countries affected by conflicts and natural disasters, including in response to sudden crisis, conflict prevention, disaster risk reduction and early recovery;
 - (f) Integrating the programme activities of the United Nations Capital Development Fund through the establishment of a specific allocation;

5. *Decides* that, in cases of emergency, the Administrator may, in agreement with the government concerned, divert funds from approved activities and uncommitted funds, which have already been allocated to the country, for emergency relief and rehabilitation operations in line with the UNDP strategic plan, 2008-2013, to be reported to the Executive Board at its subsequent session;
6. *Looks forward to* a management proposal on an integrated resource framework to be presented in accordance with paragraph 19 of decision 2010/1;
7. *Requests* UNDP to consult with the Executive Board on a regular basis to inform Members States of progress made in implementing the present decision and to take their views into full consideration.

22 January 2010

2010/4

Oral report of the Administrator on the implementation of the UNDP gender strategy and action plan

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note of* the oral report on the implementation of the UNDP gender equality strategy, as requested in decision 2006/3;
2. *Recalls* resolution 63/311 on system-wide coherence;
3. *Recognizes* the importance of mainstreaming gender equality as reflected in the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for the development of the United Nations system (A/RES/62/208), and in the UNDP strategic plan, 2008-2013;
4. *Welcomes* the efforts of UNDP in research, the generation of knowledge and training on the impacts of climate change and the economic and financial crisis on women and men, and *encourages* UNDP to contribute to similar efforts on stocktaking of the Millennium Development Goals in the lead-up to the 2010 High-level Plenary Meeting;
5. *Welcomes* the recent investments in gender advisory capacities and *requests* the Administrator to ensure that the gender equality strategy is translated by the regional and thematic bureaux into multi-year gender action plans for their respective regions or thematic areas;
6. *Welcomes* the development and implementation of the UNDP 'gender marker' tool to better assess the gender equality impact of programme resource allocations and expenditure in response to Executive Board decision 2006/3, and *requests* UNDP to keep the Executive Board informed of progress through the annual report of the Administrator and future oral reports on the implementation of the gender equality strategy;
7. *Welcomes* the continuing work of the Gender Steering and Implementation Committee, chaired by the Administrator, to review results in gender mainstreaming and in the achievement of gender equality, and *requests* the Administrator to maintain senior management commitment to ensuring that UNDP makes every possible effort to maximize its achievement of gender equality results;

8. *Urges* the Administrator to identify further measures, including evaluating the position and mandate of the gender team in the Bureau for Development Policy, to raise the profile of the UNDP gender policy and increase the attention given to its implementation;

9. *Reiterates* its request to the Administrator to provide an oral report annually to the Executive Board on the implementation of the Gender Equality Strategy, as set forth in DP/2005/7, for the remainder of the period of the Strategic Plan, at its first regular session each year.

22 January 2010

2010/5

Implementation of the UNCDF cost recovery policy

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note of* the report on the implementation of the UNCDF cost recovery policy (DP/2010/6);

2. *Recommends* that UNCDF adopt the cost classification categories that it approved for UNDP in decision 2009/22;

3. *Notes with appreciation* the continued focus of UNCDF on the least developed countries, and *further encourages* the UNCDF management to intensify its efforts in addressing new and emerging challenges facing the least developed countries;

4. *Welcomes* the efforts of UNCDF in improving its management practices, and *encourages* further enhancement of these efforts.

22 January 2010

2010/6

UNIFEM budget estimates for the biennium 2010-2011

The Executive Board,

1. *Takes note of* the functions, management results, indicators and resource requirements in the UNIFEM budget estimates for the biennium 2010-2011 (DP/2010/7);

2. *Notes with appreciation* the progress made by UNIFEM in improving the results-based format of the biennial support budget and in this regard *welcomes* the observations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (DP/2010/5);

3. *Notes with appreciation* the efforts made by UNIFEM to increase the number of government contributors to regular resources from 49 to 101 between 2007 and 2009, and *encourages* UNIFEM to share its successful outreach approach with other United Nations funds and programmes;

4. *Approves* gross resources in the amount of \$39.8 million representing the total biennial support budget for 2010-2011 funded from regular resources; noting that the estimated \$7.1 million income from support costs shall be used to offset the gross regular resources appropriation, resulting in an estimated 'net' regular resources appropriation of \$32.7 million;

5. *Approves* the amount of \$1.6 million from regular resources to cover United Nations-mandated security costs, and \$0.6 million for costs related to the adoption of the international public sector accounting standards and enhancement of the Atlas system, as described in the budget estimates;
6. *Decides* that the appropriated amount shall be used to achieve the results specified in the functions identified in the budget estimates;
7. *Requests* UNIFEM to monitor the levels of income from all sources, particularly other resources, and, because of the unpredictability of other resources, to use prudence in planning staffing increases;
8. *Requests* the Executive Director to continue to improve the method of budgeting in collaboration with UNDP, UNFPA and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), with a view to presentation by each organization of a single, integrated budget that includes all the budgetary categories of UNIFEM to complement the next strategic plan and, in that regard, *requests* a joint preliminary briefing note on steps taken and progress achieved at the second regular session 2011, and a joint report at the annual session 2012;
9. *Also requests* the Executive Director to collaborate with UNDP, UNFPA and UNICEF to achieve greater harmonization in the UNIFEM biennial support budget, 2012-2013, and, at the second regular session 2010, to submit a joint report on:
 - (a) improved results focus and enhanced linkages with the management results of the strategic plan; and
 - (b) further harmonized budget methodologies, including the attribution of costs between programme and support budgets, and determine a common method for the treatment of similar cost items across and within respective budgets and funding frameworks, taking into account the differences in the business models of UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF and UNIFEM;
10. *Further requests* the Executive Director to improve the UNIFEM biennial support budget, 2012-2013, as a step towards a single, integrated budget for UNIFEM, by
 - (a) improving the linkages between resources and results;
 - (b) providing summary explanations of any proposed budgetary changes and their attribution to volume and to nominal and statutory changes; and
 - (c) providing information on cost recovery by describing how projected cost recoveries from extrabudgetary resources are calculated, including updated information on UNIFEM variable and fixed indirect costs to allow for appropriate analysis of the cost-recovery rate.
11. *Stresses* the need to provide information on actual financial performance in the reporting on the annual financial review in a format similar to that of the resource plan in the biennial support budget.

22 January 2010

2010/7**UNOPS budget estimates for the biennium 2010-2011***The Executive Board*

1. *Takes note* of the UNOPS budget estimates for the biennium 2010-2011 (DP/2010/9), and of the use of the harmonized approach to results-based budgeting employed therein;
2. *Endorses* the targeting of resources towards the strategic objectives and results identified in the UNOPS strategic plan, 2010-2013;
3. *Approves* the net revenue target of \$5 million for the period 2010-2011;
4. *Agrees* to suspend until 31 December 2011 financial rules 109.01, 109.02, 109.03, 109.05, 121.01 (c), 121.01 (d) and 121.01 (f), as well as financial regulations 21.01, 21.06 and 21.07, and *also agrees* to automatically reinstate the above-mentioned financial regulations and rules on 1 January 2012;
5. *Recalls* its decision 2008/35 on the governance structure of UNOPS, and *notes* the subsequent desire of Member States to establish a separate segment for UNOPS during sessions of the Executive Board, and to change the name of the Executive Board to include UNOPS in its title, as a consequence of decision 2008/35;
6. *Takes note* of communications received from the Executive Director of UNOPS and the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs, at the request of the Bureau of the Executive Board, on procedural and substantive aspects of a potential name change;
7. *Requests* the Executive Director of UNOPS to obtain the views and approval of the United Nations Secretary-General with respect to this matter, and to *provide* this information to the Executive Board by mid-February 2010, together with information on the scope and context of the governance structure of UNOPS;
8. *Decides* to hold an informal meeting of the Executive Board, on the information provided in paragraph 7, two weeks after transmission of the information to Board members;
9. *Decides further* that if, within two weeks of the informal meeting mentioned in paragraph 8, no member of the Executive Board expresses any objection, the name of the Executive Board should be changed to include 'UNOPS' in its title; and that references to 'UNOPS' should be included with references to 'fund or programme' in the functions of the Executive Board as set forth in paragraph 21 of the annex of General Assembly resolution 48/162 of 20 December 1993, and that a recommendation for the change in name be transmitted by the Executive Board to the General Assembly, through the Economic and Social Council.

22 January 2010

2010/8**Joint report of the Administrator of UNDP and the Executive Director of UNFPA to the Economic and Social Council***The Executive Board*

1. *Takes note* of the joint report of the Administrator of UNDP and the Executive Director of UNFPA to the Economic and Social Council (E/2010/5);

2. *Recalls* its decision 2009/3 on the report of the Administrator of UNDP and the Executive Director of UNFPA to the Economic and Social Council (E/2009/5);
3. *Reiterates* the importance of the full implementation of General Assembly resolution 62/208 on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system;
4. *Commends* the progress made by UNDP and UNFPA in contributing to the implementation of the triennial comprehensive policy review;
5. *Welcomes* the efforts of UNDP and UNFPA to include in the report to the Economic and Social Council a more qualitative assessment and analysis of results achieved, progress made and difficulties encountered, as well as lessons learned, and *requests* further such progress in future reports;
6. *Requests* UNDP and UNFPA to continue to improve their results-oriented reporting in other relevant reports to the Executive Board;
7. *Also requests* UNDP and UNFPA to include in future reports recommendations to further improve the implementation of the triennial comprehensive policy review;
8. *Decides* to transmit the above-mentioned report (E/2010/5) to the Economic and Social Council, along with a summary of the comments and guidance provided by delegations at the present session;
9. *Also requests* the Administrator of UNDP and the Executive Director of UNFPA, in consultation with the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund, to consider ways of further improving and rationalizing their reporting, taking into account relevant resolutions of the Economic and Social Council, including Economic and Social Council resolution 2008/2, and to prepare a paper in 2010, containing options on this matter, for the consideration of the Executive Board.

22 January 2010

2010/9

Reports on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors, 2006-2007

The Executive Board,

With respect to UNDP:

1. *Takes note of* the report on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors, 2006-2007 (DP/2010/11);
2. *Recognizes* the progress made by UNDP in addressing the 'top 11' audit priorities in 2008-2009;
3. *Notes* the progress made in addressing the recommendations of the Board of Auditors (A/63/5/Add.1);
4. *Encourages* UNDP to continue investing in the strategic recruitment and professional training of staff and sustaining the improvements made in recent years to address underlying audit risks.

With respect to UNFPA:

5. *Takes note of* the report on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors, 2006-2007 (DP/FPA/2010/15) and the further action planned by UNFPA in implementing the recommendations of the United Nations Board of Auditors for 2006-2007.

With respect to UNOPS:

6. *Takes note of* the report on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors, 2006-2007 (DP/2010/14);

7. *Acknowledges* the progress made to date.

With respect to UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS:

8. *Encourages* UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS, in future reports, to pay close attention to high-priority recommendations, and *requests* UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS to continue to include, in the annex to future reports, full citations of the audit recommendations and the actions taken, including, where applicable, the audit recommendations that have not been accepted.

22 January 2010

2010/10

Update on the UNFPA policy on indirect cost recovery

The Executive Board

1. *Recalls* its decision 2007/15 on the review of the UNFPA policy on indirect cost recovery;

2. *Takes note of* the report on the review of the implementation of the UNFPA policy on indirect cost recovery (DP/FPA/2010/16);

3. *Reiterates* that regular resources, because of their untied nature, are the bedrock of contributions to UNFPA, and that regular resources should not subsidize the support costs of projects and programmes funded by other resources;

4. *Recalls* its decision 2009/26 on the estimates for the UNFPA biennial support budget, 2010-2011, which requested the Executive Director to improve the UNFPA biennial support budget, 2012-2013, as a step towards a single, integrated budget, including by providing information on cost recovery that describes how project cost recoveries from extrabudgetary resources are calculated, including updated information on UNFPA variable indirect costs to allow for appropriate analysis of the cost-recovery rate;

5. *Notes with appreciation* that the issue of cost recovery is included in the road map presented at this session, to achieve the objectives outlined in decisions 2009/22 and 2009/26, including the goal of a single, integrated budget;

6. *Also notes with appreciation* that UNDP, UNFPA and the United Nations Children's Fund, as set out in the road map, will jointly review existing cost definitions and classifications of activities and associated costs, including those related to cost recovery, and, in that regard, *emphasizes* the need to explore cost recovery broadly, including both fixed and variable indirect costs.

22 January 2010

2010/11**UNDP response to the financial and economic crisis: promoting the Global Jobs Pact***The Executive Board*

1. *Recalls* the letter of 9 February 2007 signed by the Administrator of UNDP and the Director-General of the International Labour Organization to strengthen their collaboration and partnership in support of United Nations actions to reduce poverty and create additional decent jobs;
2. *Welcomes* resolution 2009/L.24 of the Economic and Social Council, which requests the specialized agencies, funds and programmes of the United Nations to take the Global Jobs Pact into account in their policies and programmes;
3. *Requests* UNDP to continue to give priority to the recommendations contained in the Global Jobs Pact, in collaboration with the International Labour Organization, and to integrate the Global Jobs Pact into its operational activities when implementing the UNDP strategic plan, 2008-2013;
4. *Requests* the Administrator to identify and implement actions to strengthen inter-agency cooperation and coordination at the country level, in consultation with programme countries, which can appropriately incorporate the Global Jobs Pact into operational activities, and enhance thematic ties with the Global Social Protection Floor;
5. *Further requests* UNDP to include a progress report in the annual report of the Administrator outlining the initiatives it has undertaken to implement the present decision.

22 January 2010

2010/12**Overview of decisions adopted by the Executive Board at its first regular session 2010***The Executive Board*

Recalls that during its first regular session 2010, it:

Item 1**Organizational matters**

Elected the following members of the Bureau for 2010:

President: H.E. Mr. John Ashe (Antigua and Barbuda)

Vice-President Mr. Farid Jafarov (Azerbaijan)

Vice-President Mrs. Claude Lemieux (Canada)

Vice-President H.E. Mr. Atoki Ileka (Democratic Republic of the Congo)

Vice-President Mr. Muhammad Ayub (Pakistan)

Adopted the agenda and work plan for its first regular session 2010 (DP/2010/L.1);

Adopted the report of the second regular session 2009 (DP/2010/1);

Adopted the annual work plan for 2010 (DP/2010/CRP.1);

Approved the tentative work plan for the annual session 2010;

Agreed to the following schedule for the remaining sessions of the Executive Board in 2010:

Annual session 2010: 21 June to 2 July 2010 (Geneva);

Second regular session 2010: 30 August to 3 September 2010.

UNDP segment

Item 2

Financial, budgetary and administrative matters

Adopted decision 2010/1 on the UNDP budget estimates for the biennium 2010-2011;

Took note of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the UNDP budget estimates for the biennium 2010-2011 (DP/2010/4).

Item 3

Programming arrangements (UNDP)

Adopted decision 2010/3 on the midterm review of programming arrangements, 2008-2011.

Item 4

Gender in UNDP

Adopted decision 2010/4 on the oral report of the Administrator on the implementation of the UNDP gender strategy and action plan.

Item 5

Country programmes and related matters

Approved the following country programmes:

Africa: Uganda

Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States: Romania

Latin America and the Caribbean region: Argentina and Guatemala

Approved the following regional programme:

Arab States: Regional programme document for the Arab States.

Item 6

United Nations Capital Development Fund

Adopted decision 2010/5 on the implementation of the United Nations Capital Development Fund cost recovery policy.

Item 7
United Nations Development Fund for Women

Adopted decision 2010/6 on the United Nations Development Fund for Women budget estimates for the biennium 2010-2011;

Took note of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the United Nations Development Fund for Women budget estimates for the biennium 2010-2011 (DP/2010/4).

UNOPS segment

Item 8
United Nations Office for Project Services

Adopted decision 2010/7 on the United Nations Office for Project Services budget estimates for the biennium 2010-2011;

Took note of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the United Nations Office for Project Services budget estimates for the biennium 2010-2011 (DP/2010/10).

Joint segment

Items 2 and 11
Financial, budgetary and administrative matters (UNDP and UNFPA)

Adopted decision 2010/2 on the joint information note of UNDP, UNFPA and the United Nations Children's Fund on the road map to an integrated budget.

Item 9
Report to the Economic and Social Council

Adopted decision 2010/8 on the joint report of the Administrator of UNDP and the Executive Director of UNFPA to the Economic and Social Council.

Item 10
Recommendations of the Board of Auditors

Adopted decision 2010/9 on the reports of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors, 2006-2007.

Item 13
Other matters

Adopted decision 2010/11 on the UNDP response to the financial and economic crisis: promoting the Global Jobs Pact.

UNFPA segment

Item 11

Financial, budgetary and administrative matters

Adopted decision 2010/10 on the update on the UNFPA policy on indirect cost recovery.

Item 12

Country programmes and related matters

Approved the following country programme documents:

Africa: Uganda;

Latin America and the Caribbean: Guatemala.

Joint meeting

Held a joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP on 15 and 18 January 2010, which addressed the following topics: (a) 'delivering as one': strengthening country-level response to gender-based violence, and presentation by the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania on the one United Nations country programme document; (b) climate change; and (c) recovering from economic and financial crisis: food security and safety nets; and (d) stocktaking on the Millennium Development Goals.

Also held the following informal briefings:

Informal briefing on the independent review of the UNDP evaluation policy.

22 January 2010

2010/13

Annual report of the Administrator on the strategic plan: performance and results for 2009

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note of* the annual report of the Administrator on the UNDP strategic plan: performance and results for 2009 (DP/2010/17);
2. *Welcomes* the enhanced focus on results as well as the enhanced analytical information provided on challenges, opportunities and remedial action in the annual report and *requests* UNDP to further strengthen its efforts in this regard in future reports including improved communication and dissemination of activities, performance and results;
3. *Stresses* the importance of championing and supporting national capacity to achieve the internationally agreed goals, including the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) in particular; and in this regard requests the management of UNDP to make further efforts in building the capacity of UNDP to deliver on its results and improve its results management, evaluation and reporting on its capacity-developing efforts;

4. *Encourages* UNDP to integrate gender equality and capacity development results throughout its annual report of the Administrator and *calls upon* UNDP to continue to improve performance on these cross-cutting issues;
5. *Encourages* UNDP to strengthen its support to conflict and crisis prevention in accordance with its mandate, and in this regard *requests* UNDP to provide an informal session on the BCPR review at its next regular session in September 2010;
6. *Welcomes* the UNDP business action plan and looks forward to regular updates in the Executive Board;
7. *Encourages* UNDP to strengthen its strategic partnerships in climate change;
8. *Welcomes* the inclusion of challenges and lessons learned for future directions in the annual report of the Administrator and *requests* UNDP to include in its future annual reports, starting in 2011, concrete steps to address the challenges and build on lessons learned and recommendations;
9. *Endorses* the decision for a combined midterm review, including the annual report for 2010 of the UNDP strategic plan, to be submitted to the Board at its annual session 2011, and *welcomes* this opportunity to sharpen the strategic direction and to undertake a thorough review of the results framework with the aim of making improvements in 2011 and defining further improvements to be made during the remaining years of the strategic plan period;
10. *Emphasizes* the importance of regular discussions of substantive policy issues related to the mandate of UNDP in the Executive Board UNDP/UNFPA, on the basis of reports prepared by the Administrator of UNDP for this purpose;
11. *Requests* the Administrator of UNDP to provide informal briefings on the four main thematic areas of the strategic plan before the first regular session of 2011, in light of the midterm review of the strategic plan during the annual session of 2011;
12. *Notes with concern* that some developing countries, including those that have been hardest hit by the financial and economic crisis and those affected by conflict and natural disasters, are lagging behind in achieving the MDGs by 2015 and, in this regard, *requests* the Administrator to ensure that programme activities are designed, implemented and adequately resourced to address the challenges of developing countries, particularly the specific needs and challenges of Africa.;
13. *Recalling* its decisions 2008/15 and 2008/14, which, inter alia, urged UNDP to give top priority to achieving the MDGs and eradicating poverty and, in acknowledging the catalytic role of UNDP in this regard, *calls upon* the Administrator to further intensify efforts to accelerate progress towards the achievement of the MDGs by 2015, in particular in programme countries, and to report on developments at its annual sessions;
14. *Recognizes* the growing and significant contribution towards the achievement of the MDGs through South-South and triangular cooperation and *requests* the Administrator of UNDP to continue to provide greater support to South-South and triangular cooperation with a view to deepening collaboration towards improved development results;
15. *Recognizes* that highly qualified staff is key for UNDP to achieve its objectives as outlined in its strategic plan, and notes the value of a balanced and diverse representation among UNDP management and staff;

16. *Welcomes* the intergovernmental meeting of programme country pilots held in Kigali, Rwanda, in October 2009 and in Hanoi, Vietnam in June 2010, takes note with appreciation of the Kigali and Hanoi Declarations.

1 July 2010

2010/14

Funding commitments to UNDP and its funds and programmes for 2010 and onwards

The Executive Board

1. *Stresses* the importance of a stable, predictable base of regular (“core”) resources for UNDP;
2. *Reaffirms* the principles of national ownership and leadership, and *stresses* the importance of enhancing the coherence of the United Nations development system;
3. *Notes* with concern that contributions to UNDP regular resources decreased from US\$ 1.1 billion in 2008 to US\$1 billion in 2009 and, thus, that UNDP has not been able to meet its 2009 funding target for regular resources set out in its strategic plan, covering the period 2008-2013;
4. *Further notes* with concern that according to current projections, contributions to UNDP regular resources may decrease further in 2010 and remain, at this point, highly unpredictable for the year 2011;
5. *Welcomes* efforts by the Administrator to mobilize regular resources and *urges* UNDP to further mobilize these resources and to continue to broaden the number of contributing countries;
6. *Recognizes* the importance of demonstrating and communicating development results;
7. *Recalls* General Assembly resolution 62/208 on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system and *reiterates* that regular resources, by their untied nature, form the bedrock of UNDP finances;
8. *Acknowledges* the role of other (“non-core” or “earmarked”) resources to UNDP as a supplement to the regular resource base of UNDP and that these resources have been increasing, *emphasizes* that other resources should always support coherence and national ownership of programme countries, and *notes* with concern that other resources continue to exceed regular resources of UNDP;
9. *Requests* all countries that have not yet done so to make contributions to regular resources for 2010; and *encourages* Member States to announce pledges, on a multi-year basis if feasible, and payment schedules, and to adhere to such pledges and payment schedules thereafter.

30 June 2010

2010/15**Annual report on evaluation***The Executive Board*

1. *Takes note of* the annual report on evaluation in UNDP (DP/2010/19);
2. *Requests* UNDP to address the issues raised by independent evaluations and take action to ensure implementation and monitoring of the management responses;
3. *Notes with concern* the continuing and serious challenge of the coverage, compliance, quality and use of decentralized evaluations and in this regard requests UNDP, as a matter of priority, to strengthen decentralized evaluation capacity and increase its use in line with decision 2010/16 on the independent review of the UNDP evaluation policy and the management response;
4. *Welcomes* the timely completion of the assessments of development results so as to improve their value in the planning of new country programmes, the enhanced national participation and the use of national expertise in these assessments;
5. *Requests* UNDP to support national evaluation capacity development;
6. *Also requests* UNDP to address the issues raised by the assessments of development results concerning cross-cutting issues such as capacity development and gender mainstreaming: (a) lack of integration of gender specific aspects in the development activities, (b) adequate allocation of resources, and (c) weak coordination with the other UN agencies dealing with gender;
7. *Approves* the programme of work proposed by the Evaluation Office for 2010-2011 and *welcomes* its clear linkages with the UNDP strategic plan, 2008-2011.

30 June 2010

2010/16**Independent review of the UNDP evaluation policy and the management response***The Executive Board*

1. *Welcomes* the independent review of the UNDP evaluation policy (DP/2010/20) and reiterates the importance of the evaluation policy for the organization;
2. *Takes note of* progress made, as well as issues and challenges in the implementation of the evaluation policy, as highlighted in the independent review;
3. *Welcomes* the management response to the independent review of the evaluation policy;
4. *Requests* UNDP to intensify its efforts to strengthen oversight and support for decentralized evaluation in order to increase the coverage, compliance, quality as well as use, and in this regard, emphasizes the importance of senior management commitment and accountability, in particular of regional bureaux directors;
5. *Emphasizes* the importance of embedding the effort to improve decentralized evaluation in the overall efforts of UNDP to enhance results-based management;
6. *Requests* UNDP to ensure that all country, regional and global programme documents come with costed and budgeted evaluation plans that cover the full range

of intended contributions to development outcomes and that are designed to inform programme adjustments and development of new programmes;

7. *Further requests* that in the case of country programmes the evaluation plans are budgeted no later than at the time of adoption of the country programme action plan;

8. *Requests* also that UNDP ensures the evaluation work plan of the Evaluation Office is costed and that this cost is incorporated into the Biennial Support Budget (BSB) function related to evaluation;

9. *Further emphasizes* the importance of enhancing the evaluability of UNDP programmes as a prerequisite for effective programme design, continuous monitoring with national partners and evaluation;

10. *Underlines* the need to enhance the ownership and leadership of programme countries in evaluation and in this regard requests UNDP in collaboration with the other members of the United Nations Evaluation Group (UNEG) to clarify its roles in national evaluation capacity development;

11. *Welcomes* the increase in evaluation capacity of country offices in 2009 and requests UNDP to further decrease the high number of country offices counting with no or insufficient monitoring and evaluation capacities;

12. *Requests* UNDP to enhance participation in joint evaluations of UNDAF outcomes by government and contributing United Nations organizations while retaining an assessment of the distinctive UNDP contribution to the shared outcomes;

13. *Welcomes* the improvement in the submission of management responses to decentralized evaluations and encourages UNDP to further improve the submission and tracking of management responses to improve learning, accountability and transparency on evaluation follow-up and to share management responses with partner governments and other programme partners;

14. *Requests* UNDP to submit for approval at the first regular session 2011 of the Executive Board, a revised UNDP evaluation policy reflecting the following elements of the management response:

(a) Institutionalization of the independence of the Evaluation Office including the recruitment of the Director and Evaluation Office staff, relationships between the Director and other senior managers of UNDP, and the approval of the programme of work and the budget of the Evaluation Office;

(b) Strengthening country-level approaches and national involvement in independent and decentralized evaluations;

(c) Introduction of costed and budgeted evaluation plans as the compliance requirement for decentralized evaluation;

(d) Appropriate measures for proactive and strategic use of independent and decentralized evaluations by the senior management of UNDP; and

(e) Clarification of the roles of UNDP and the Evaluation Office, including UNEG, in national evaluation capacity development;

15. *Requests* the Evaluation Office to commission a further independent review of the UNDP evaluation policy to be presented to the Executive Board in 2013 covering inter alia:

(a) The degree to which the roles and responsibilities laid out in the 2007 programme and operations policies and procedures and the new Handbook on planning, monitoring and evaluating for development results have been fully and effectively implemented;

(b) The degree to which adoption of approaches advocated in the new *Handbook* have strengthened results-based management and decentralized evaluation at the country level;

(c) The degree to which independence of the Evaluation Office has been institutionalized;

(d) The degree to which the policy has been implemented and has made a positive contribution in the associated funds and programmes of UNDP; and

(e) Whether an effective approach to strengthening national ownership, and capacity building, has been identified and is being implemented.

30 June 2010

2010/17

Reports of the Ethics Offices of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note of* the report of the Ethics Office of UNDP on its activities for 2009 (DP/2010/26), the ethics activities outlined in the UNFPA report on audit and oversight activities in 2009, and the 2009 UNOPS annual report of the Executive Director;

2. *Recognizes* the progress made in establishing the respective Ethics Offices and their valuable contributions to the operations of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS, and *encourages* the management of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS to include their respective heads of Ethics Offices in appropriate senior management meetings as observers, to encourage high standards of conduct and prevent institutional conflicts of interest;

3. *Requests* UNDP, UNFPA, and UNOPS to keep the Executive Board informed of progress in achieving their action plans, including evidence of impact and achievement;

4. *Encourages* the Ethics Offices to use feedback on the training provided to ensure that the training interventions continue to be effective and appropriate for UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS personnel, and that they represent a good investment of resources;

5. *Also encourages* the Ethics Offices to continue to enhance their briefings, training and counselling services for management and staff;

6. *Recalls* its decision 2008/37 and its provisions with respect to avoiding conflicts of interest in the appointment of key oversight officers, and, in this regard, *requests* that the respective Ethics Offices of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS be designated as the responsible unit within each organization to review potential

conflicts of interest for senior appointees who will perform control functions that are not covered by the appointment vetting processes of the Secretary-General;

7. *Requests* the management of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS to continue to provide the necessary human and financial resources to support their respective Ethics Offices to carry out their work effectively, with priority given to continuing to build the skills and capacity of the UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS staff within the Ethics Offices;

8. *Requests* the Administrator of UNDP and the Executive Directors of UNFPA and UNOPS to: (a) appoint the heads of their respective Ethics Offices based on demonstrated abilities and experience in the relevant fields; (b) ensure that pre-appointment review for conflicts of interest is conducted by an independent entity; (c) limit the term of appointment to five full years, exceptionally renewable once, for a maximum of five years; and (d) bar re-entry into their respective organizations;

9. *Requests* the Ethics Offices of UNFPA and UNOPS to submit reports to the Executive Board at future annual sessions.

30 June 2010

2010/18

Report on results achieved by the United Nations Capital Development Fund in 2009

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the report on results achieved by the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) and *expresses* its appreciation of the strong programmatic and operational results achieved by UNCDF in 2009;

2. *Welcomes* the concrete and scalable contributions by UNCDF towards localizing the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) in the least developed countries, by providing investment capital and technical assistance to promote local development and promote inclusive microfinance services that benefit poor households and small and micro enterprises; and *calls upon* UNCDF to include in future annual reports to the Executive Board more in-depth analysis on how UNCDF activities contributes to the achievement of the MDGs at the local level, including lessons learned and challenges faced;

3. *Encourages* UNCDF to continue its efforts to mobilize contributions to its regular resources or multi-year thematic contributions necessary to implement the UNCDF investment plan 2008-2011 which would allow UNCDF to sustain its services and investment support and expand to more least developed countries;

4. *Also encourages* UNCDF to make further efforts to increase and expand contributions to its regular resources, as well as to other resources, from Member States in a position to do so and other development partners;

5. *Welcomes* the efforts of UNCDF in improving its management practices and encourages further enhancement of these efforts, also *welcomes* the efforts of UNCDF to maintain strong programmatic quality while the programme portfolio grows in response to increasing demand from least developed countries.

1 July 2010

2010/19**United Nations Volunteers — Report of the Administrator***The Executive Board*

1. *Takes note of* the annual report of the Administrator on the United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme (DP/2010/28);
2. *Acknowledges the* achievements by UNV in support of programme countries and United Nations organizations in their efforts towards peace and development, including the Millennium Development Goals, environmental sustainability, and gender mainstreaming;
3. *Takes particular note of* the growth in the scale and scope of the UNV Online Volunteering service, and *encourages* UNV to continue its efforts to innovate and diversify volunteer modalities, and to increase gender balance in its assignments;
4. *Welcomes* the engagement of UNV with programme countries to build their capacity to manage national volunteer systems, including policy development, legislation and support for implementation;
5. *Encourages* UNV to continue working through the United Nations Country Teams to integrate volunteerism into programming, recognizing that national and international volunteers are an integral part of United Nations assistance;
6. *Recognizes* that the Special Voluntary Fund for UNV is supporting research and piloting of innovations that demonstrate the impact of volunteerism on peace and development;
7. *Reiterates* the role of UNV as the focal point to mark the tenth anniversary of the International Year of Volunteers in 2011, as requested by General Assembly resolution 63/153;
8. *Decides* that a presentation be made to the Executive Board at its annual session 2011 on planning for the tenth anniversary of the International Year of Volunteers in 2011 in its role as focal point, and on the fortieth anniversary of UNV.

30 June 2010

2010/20**Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Development Fund for Women***The Executive Board*

1. *Takes note of* the annual report of the Executive Director (DP/2010/29) and its results-based focus;
2. *Recognizes* United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) support to programme countries as they advance agreed development priorities, including the Millennium Development Goals, by assisting national partners to link progress on the Goals with efforts to implement the Beijing Platform for Action and the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women;
3. *Requests* UNIFEM to include in its future reports more elements related to the analysis of results achieved, lessons learned and remaining challenges;

4. *Welcomes* the midterm review of the strategic plan as an opportunity to sharpen the strategic direction and to undertake a thorough review of the results framework with the aim of making improvements in 2011 and defining remaining improvements to be made during the remaining period of the strategic plan;

5. *Notes* the ongoing General Assembly discussions regarding the creation of a new gender entity and *requests* UNIFEM to take all necessary and timely actions to ensure that the modalities agreed to by the General Assembly regarding transitional arrangements are completed within the deadline agreed upon by the General Assembly.

30 June 2010

2010/21

Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Office for Project Services

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the annual report of the Executive Director (DP/2010/30) and the wide-ranging contributions to the operational results of the United Nations and its partners, often in the most challenging environments;

2. *Welcomes* the improved financial position of the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) and the increased professionalism of its services and personnel;

3. *Welcomes* the full replenishment of operational reserves and accrual for all end-of-service liabilities, marking the restoration of the financial sustainability of the organization and reconfirming the viability of its self-financing business model;

4. *Welcomes* the strengthening of strategic partnerships and contribution to results, and *encourages* the Executive Director, while bearing in mind the core mandate of UNOPS and with the aim to enhance United Nations coherence, to further enhance engagements as a service provider to various actors in the development, humanitarian and peacekeeping arena, including the United Nations, governments, intergovernmental institutions, international and regional financial institutions, foundations, private sector and non-governmental organizations;

5. *Encourages* the Executive Director to continue efforts aimed to integrate national capacity development in its operations;

6. *Welcomes* the efforts of the Executive Director towards attaining a greater degree of transparency and accountability, and in particular the complete public disclosure of project data, including information on all contracts awarded and payments made, irrespective of the amount.

29 June 2010

2010/22

Reports of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS on internal audit and oversight

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note of:* (a) the UNDP report on internal audit and investigations (DP/2010/31) and the corresponding management response; (b) the report on

UNFPA internal audit and oversight activities in 2009 (DP/FPA/2010/20) and the corresponding management response; and (c) the activity report for 2009 of the Internal Audit and Investigations Group of the United Nations Office for Project Services (DP/2010/32) and the corresponding management response;

2. *Takes note of:* (a) the annual report of the Audit Advisory Committee of UNDP; (b) the annual report of the Audit Advisory Committee of UNFPA; and (c) the annual report of the Strategy and Audit Advisory Committee of UNOPS;

3. *Welcomes the* ongoing focus on key and recurrent management issues and on risk-based audit planning;

4. *Welcomes the* compliance of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS with decisions 2008/37 and 2009/15 on the disclosure of internal audit reports, including on the reporting of disclosure activities in their respective annual reports;

5. *Requests the* Administrator of UNDP and the Executive Directors of UNFPA and UNOPS to submit a coordinated conference room paper to the Executive Board at its second regular session 2011, outlining the implications of the emerging demand for greater information disclosure of the internal audit reports of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS, including options for responding to the need for relevant information;

With regard to UNDP,

6. *Expresses its* continuing support to strengthening the internal audit and investigation functions of UNDP, and *welcomes the* information in the report and the variety of strategic subjects covered by the work of the Audit Advisory Committee, which contribute to stronger accountability and oversight in UNDP;

7. *Welcomes the* multi-year trend analysis of internal audit issues over the five-year period, 2005-2009, and *requests* continuing reporting in this regard in future reports;

8. *Acknowledges the* UNDP contributions to greater coherence in the internal audit practices of the United Nations system;

9. *Notes the* significant increase in complaints requiring investigation and *requests* UNDP to ensure appropriate and timely capacity for investigation;

10. *Notes that the* number of audit recommendations that remain outstanding after more than 18 months has remained relatively stable, and *requests* UNDP to maintain its follow-up efforts for implementing those recommendations, and, in particular, those within its scope of control requiring assistance from within the organization or an improved alignment of resources;

11. *Notes with* concern the increasing proportion of findings in project management, in particular in country offices, and *takes note of* ongoing efforts to address systemic weaknesses at all levels, including in the areas of supervision, corporate practices and training, and *requests* management to continue to address these issues with a view to demonstrating improvements in the next report;

12. *Welcomes the* continuing trend of declining financial exposure in audits for projects executed by non-governmental organizations and/or national governments, and, in this regard, *urges* UNDP to sustain its efforts, as well as to ensure the timely submission of audit reports;

13. *Requests* the Office of Audit and Investigations to include in its next annual report, information on the adequacy of resources available for audit and investigations;

With regard to UNFPA,

14. *Notes* the commitment of UNFPA to the continued strengthening of its accountability and assurance process, and *urges* the Executive Director to continue to: (a) improve the implementation of an internal control framework in line with internationally recognized best practices, taking into account the need for consistency with the international public sector accounting standards; (b) implement enterprise risk management; and (c) fill vacant posts in the Division for Oversight Services to ensure appropriate audit and investigation coverage;

15. *Recalls* decisions 2006/13 and 2008/13, and *requests* UNFPA to complement its future annual reports on audit and oversight issues by providing summarized information on: (a) key findings with multi-year comparisons of trends in audit causes; (b) unresolved audit findings by year, category and priority levels; (c) findings that have remained unresolved for 18 months or more; and (d) the most significant recurrent oversight issues and recommendations to address them;

16. *Looks forward to* an assessment of the adequacy of human and financial resources for audit and investigation purposes in the next report by the Division for Oversight Services;

17. *Notes* the significant increase in complaints requiring investigation, *requests* UNFPA to take the necessary action to achieve an appropriate alignment of related resources to ensure appropriate and timely capacity for investigation, and *urges* UNFPA to establish a fraud detection and prevention programme to minimize financial losses;

18. *Welcomes* the continuing priority of UNFPA to address findings relating to the national execution modality by addressing the operational risks and weaknesses identified in the audit reports, with particular attention given to the capacity-building of country offices and implementing partners, and *requests* UNFPA to ensure adequate supervision and controls to address weaknesses, especially local programme and project monitoring, outstanding balances and timely submission of national execution audit plans and reports, and to inform the Executive Board of progress in this regard;

19. *Recalls* the oversight policy and the internal audit charter and *reiterates* that the Division for Oversight Services has full, free and unrestricted access to any and all UNFPA records, physical properties and personnel relevant to any functions of UNFPA under review, and *reiterates* that all employees are obliged to assist the Division in fulfilling its role;

20. *Reiterates* that the Division for Oversight Services is independent and that its Director has the final say on audit reports issued by the Division and has the independence to report directly to the Executive Board on all engagements conducted by the Division for Oversight Services, and *suggests* that future reports be entitled the Report of the Director of the Division for Oversight Services on internal audit and oversight activities;

21. *Requests* UNFPA to strengthen compliance with institutional policies, procedures and financial regulations and rules and to adopt an appropriate segregation of duties with regard to financial transactions, including procurement;

22. *Welcomes* the improved tracking by the Division for Oversight Services of the implementation of audit recommendations, *requests* that future reports summarize the number of audit recommendations by priority level and *urges* UNFPA to accelerate the implementation of outstanding recommendations;

With regard to UNOPS,

23. *Welcomes* the increased internal audit coverage in 2009, the broadening of the focus of work beyond compliance to include performance-based auditing, and the improvements made in tracking the implementation of recommendations;

24. *Takes note of* ongoing work to establish a structured, organization-wide risk management system, and *looks forward to* learning more about the system when it is established;

25. *Notes* the recurrent audit findings in the areas of human resources, project and programme management, procurement and finance; and *also notes* that the lack of written procedures and the significant increase in the lack of compliance with UNOPS policies and procedures are the most common causes of findings;

26. *Notes*, in this regard, that the management of UNOPS has revised or adopted new policies to address various audit recommendations, including the individual contractor agreement policy, *urges* continued effort by UNOPS to address audit findings, and *looks forward to* improvements in findings in future reports;

27. *Takes note of* the continuing decrease in the percentage of qualified audit opinions for project audits in 2009, compared with 2008 and 2007, and *requests* that information on the financial impact of audit findings be incorporated in future reports.

1 July 2010

2010/23

Report of the Executive Director for 2009: progress and achievements in implementing the UNFPA strategic plan

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note of* the documents that make up the report of the Executive Director for 2009: DP/FPA/2010/17 (Part I), DP/FPA/2010/17 (Part I, Add.1) and DP/FPA/2010/17 (Part II);

2. *Welcomes* the achievements and progress delineated in the report of the Executive Director for 2009 and *takes note of* the inclusion of baselines and targets in response to decision 2009/16, along with the update on the strategic plan development and management results indicators;

3. *Encourages* UNFPA to continue to improve its results-oriented reporting to the Executive Board and *looks forward to* progress in this regard in the annual reports starting from 2011, including better demonstration of its contribution to achieved outcomes;

4. *Welcomes* the inclusion of challenges and lessons learned for future directions in the annual report of the Executive Director, and *requests* UNFPA to include in its future annual reports, starting from 2011, concrete steps to address the challenges and build on lessons learned and recommendations;
5. *Welcomes* the midterm review of the strategic plan as an opportunity to sharpen the strategic direction and to undertake a thorough review of the results framework with the aim of making improvements in 2011 and defining remaining improvements to be made in the strategic plan for 2014-2017;
6. *Welcomes* the continued efforts of UNFPA in providing disaggregated data by sex, age, location and income;
7. *Commends* UNFPA for its commitment and continued efforts in meeting the targets of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and other internationally agreed development goals, especially the health-related Millennium Development Goals, and *calls* upon the Executive Director to further intensify efforts in programme countries that are having problems in meeting those goals and targets;
8. *Emphasizes* the importance of regular discussions of substantive policy issues related to the mandate of UNFPA in the Executive Board, on the basis of reports prepared by the Executive Director of UNFPA for this purpose;
9. *Requests* the Executive Director of UNFPA to provide briefings on the three main thematic areas of the strategic plan before the first regular session of 2011, in the light of the midterm review of the strategic plan during the annual session 2011;
10. *Requests* the Executive Director to submit, at the annual session 2011 of the Executive Board, a consolidated annual report for 2010 that includes the midterm review of the extended strategic plan, 2008-2013.

25 June 2010

2010/24

Report on contributions by Member States and others to UNFPA and revenue projections for 2010 and future years

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the report on contributions by Member States and others to UNFPA and revenue projections for 2010 and future years (DP/FPA/2010/18);
2. *Welcomes* the increase in the 2009 regular income level of UNFPA and *also welcomes* the contributions made by programme countries;
3. *Emphasizes* that regular resources are the bedrock of UNFPA and essential to maintaining the multilateral, neutral and universal nature of its work, and *encourages* UNFPA to further mobilize these resources and continue to broaden the number of contributing countries, while also continuing to mobilize supplementary resources for its thematic funds and programmes;
4. *Recognizes* that sustaining and improving the UNFPA funding level will require countries that are in a position to do so to increase their contributions during the period of the UNFPA strategic plan, 2008-2013;

5. *Encourages* all countries that are in a position to do so to make contributions early in the year and to make multi-year pledges;

6. *Emphasizes* that UNFPA needs strong political support and increased financial support, as well as increased and predictable core funding, in order to enhance its assistance to countries to fully integrate the agenda of the International Conference on Population and Development into national development strategies and frameworks and to achieve the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals.

25 June 2010

2010/25

Request by the United Republic of Tanzania to present a draft common country programme document to the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP

The Executive Board

Recalling its decisions 2001/11 and 2006/36 on the programming approval process,

1. *Notes* the request of the United Republic of Tanzania to present a draft common country programme document incorporating a common narrative with agency-specific components, results frameworks and related resource requirements for UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP;

2. *Notes further* that the draft common country programme document will be submitted for discussion by the respective agencies during the first regular session 2011 and for approval of the respective agency component during the annual session 2011;

3. *Decides* to consider the draft common country programme document of the United Republic of Tanzania on an exceptional basis;

4. *Decides further* that the revised common country programme document will be posted on the websites of the respective organizations no later than six weeks after the discussion, and a hard copy of the revised document will be provided, upon request, to Executive Board members by the secretariat;

5. *Stresses* that, in line with Executive Board decisions 2001/11 and 2006/36, the agency component of the common country programme document will be approved on a no-objection basis, without presentation or discussion, unless at least five members have informed the secretariat in writing before the meeting of their wish to bring the common country programme document before the Executive Board.

23 June 2010

2010/26

Biennial report on evaluation

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the biennial report on evaluation (DP/FPA/2010/19) and the corresponding management response;

2. *Welcomes* the actions of UNFPA to strengthen its human resources throughout the organization in order to implement the evaluation policy, and the commitment to invest in staff expertise for evaluation, including in results-based management, evaluation design, methodologies, implementation and conduct;
3. *Emphasizes* that building lessons learned into future policies, programmes and operations is essential, and *stresses* the importance of implementing the system to ensure a systematic response to and follow-up of decentralized evaluation recommendations and to disseminate lessons learned;
4. *Recognizes* that evidence-based methodologies are a necessary condition for the evaluability of programmes and projects, and, in that regard, *welcomes* the commitment of UNFPA to develop guidelines on evidence-based programming in 2010, as requested in decision 2009/18;
5. *Underlines* the need to enhance the ownership and leadership of programme countries in evaluation activities, and, in this regard, *requests* UNFPA, in compliance with General Assembly resolution 62/208, to collaborate with other United Nations institutions to optimize the capacity-building of implementing partners;
6. *Recalls* decisions 2008/12 and 2009/18, *requests* that the biennial evaluation plan include decentralized and centralized evaluations, and *reiterates* its request that the evaluation plan relate to the existing strategic plan of UNFPA to enable the Division for Oversight Services to provide reasonable assurance on the findings of evaluations, including lessons learned and the impact on programmes;
7. *Welcomes* the priority of UNFPA to conduct end-of-cycle country programme evaluations in the current biennium during the penultimate year of the country programmes, and, in that regard, *looks forward* to seeing end-of-cycle country programme evaluations and budgeted country programme evaluation plans being presented together with the country programme documents from the annual session 2011 of the Executive Board;
8. *Stresses* the importance of involving the participation of national counterparts and, where relevant, United Nations partners, in improving the design and implementation of programming and in strengthening the evaluability of country programmes, including attention to meaningful indicators, baseline data and the means to verify progress;
9. *Acknowledges* the steps taken by UNFPA to strengthen oversight and support for decentralized evaluation in order to increase its coverage, compliance and quality, as well as its use, and, in this regard, *emphasizes* the importance of the further commitment of senior management to intensify these efforts;
10. *Reiterates* that, in accordance with the oversight policy and the internal audit charter, the Division for Oversight Services has access to all documents in UNFPA, *expresses* concern regarding the low submission rates for evaluations to the Division of Oversight Services, and *requests* UNFPA to comply with policies and procedures and submit all evaluations and corresponding management responses as a matter of priority, through the development of a database allowing the monitoring of compliance;
11. *Notes* the findings of the 2009 evaluation quality assessment in the report, including the decline in the proportion of evaluations meeting standards for

evaluating programme relevance and impact, and *welcomes* the commitment of UNFPA to address weaknesses in evaluation quality in order to improve evidence-based programming;

12. *Reiterates* its request that future biennial reports on evaluation address, inter alia, findings and recommendations of evaluations, analysis of the factors affecting quality, and the follow-up to evaluations conducted by UNFPA;

13. *Welcomes* the intention of UNFPA to improve the compliance rate of evaluation reports posted on its website, as requested in decision 2009/18, and *requests* easy access to these reports;

14. *Reiterates* that the Director of the Division for Oversight Services has the independence to report directly to the Executive Board on all engagements conducted by the Division for Oversight Services;

15. *Notes* the relevance of the findings of evaluations for the preparation of the midterm review of the strategic plan in 2011;

16. *Welcomes* the initiative of UNFPA management in developing a matrix to monitor the response of the organization to the biennial report on evaluation, and *requests* that the response be considered in the context of the midterm review of the strategic plan;

17. *Decides* to discuss the thematic evaluations of UNFPA in the Executive Board, starting with the evaluation of UNFPA humanitarian response at the second regular session 2010;

18. *Looks forward* to the review of the UNFPA evaluation policy at the annual session 2012 of the Executive Board, including an assessment of the adequacy of human and financial resources allocated to evaluation.

25 June 2010

2010/27

Overview of decisions adopted by the Executive Board at its annual session 2010

The Executive Board

Recalls that during its annual session 2010, it:

Item 1

Organizational matters

Approved the agenda and work plan for its annual session 2010 (DP/2010/L.2 and DP/2010/L.2/Corr.1);

Approved the report of the first regular session 2010 (DP/2010/15);

Agreed to the following schedule of future sessions of the Executive Board in 2010:

Second regular session 2010: 30 August to 3 September 2010;

Adopted the tentative work plan for the second regular session 2010 of the Executive Board.

UNDP segment

Item 2

Annual report of the Administrator

Adopted decision 2010/13 on the annual report of the Administrator on the strategic plan: performance and results for 2009;

Took note of the report of UNDP on the recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit in 2009 (DP/2010/17/Add.1), and the statistical annex (DP/2010/17/Add.2).

Item 3

Funding commitments to UNDP

Adopted decision 2010/14 on the status of regular resources funding commitments to UNDP and its funds and programmes for 2010 and onwards.

Item 4

Evaluation

Adopted decision 2010/15 on the annual report on evaluation in UNDP;

Adopted decision 2010/16 on the independent review of the UNDP evaluation policy and the management response;

Took note of the evaluation of the regional programme for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States, 2006-2010 (DP/2010/22), and the management response (DP/2010/23).

Item 5

Human Development Report

Took note of the update on *Human Development Report* consultations (DP/2010/24).

Item 6

Country programmes and related matters

Took note of the first extension of the country programmes for Albania, Bangladesh, Cape Verde, Chad, Ghana, Guyana, Kyrgyzstan, Mauritania, Seychelles, South Africa, Ukraine and Viet Nam for a period of one year (DP/2010/25, table 1);

Took note of the six-month extension of the country programme for the United Republic of Tanzania (DP/2010/25, table 1);

Approved the second one-year extension of the country programme for Zimbabwe (DP/2010/25, table 2);

Approved the first two-year extension of the country programmes for Namibia, Nepal and Sierra Leone (DP/2010/25, table 2);

Took note of the following regional and draft country programme documents and the comments made thereon:

Africa

Draft country programme document for Swaziland (DP/DCP/SWZ/2);

Arab States

Draft country programme document for Iraq (DP/DCP/IRQ/1);

Draft country programme document for Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (DP/DCP/LBY/2);

Asia and the Pacific

Draft country programme document for Cambodia (DP/DCP/KHM/2);

Draft country programme document for China (DP/DCP/CHN/2);

Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States

Draft regional programme document for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States (DP/RPD/REC/2);

Draft country programme document for Azerbaijan (DP/DCP/AZE/2/Rev.1);

Draft country programme document for Belarus (DP/DCP/BLR/2 and Corr.1);

Draft country programme document for Georgia (DP/DCP/GEO/2/Rev.1);

Draft country programme document for Serbia (DP/DCP/SRB/1 and DP/DCP/SRB/1/Add.1)

Draft country programme document for Turkey (DP/DCP/TUR/2).

Item 7

Report of the Ethics Offices of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS

Adopted decision 2010/17 on the report of the Ethics Office of UNDP for 2009.

Item 8

United Nations Capital Development Fund

Adopted decision 2010/18 on the report on results achieved by UNCDF in 2009.

Item 9

United Nations Volunteers

Adopted decision 2010/19 on the report of the Administrator on United Nations Volunteers.

Item 10

United Nations Development Fund for Women

Adopted decision 2010/20 on the annual report of the Executive Director of UNIFEM.

UNOPS segment

Item 11

United Nations Office for Project Services

Adopted decision 2010/21 on the annual report of the Executive Director of UNOPS.

Joint segment

Item 12

Internal audit and oversight

Adopted decision 2010/22 on the reports of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS on internal audit and oversight.

Item 13

Field visits

Took note of the following reports:

- (a) Report on the joint field visit to Rwanda (DP-FPA/2010/CRP.1);
- (b) Report on the UNDP/UNFPA field visit to the Syrian Arab Republic (DP/2010/CRP.2-DP/FPA/2010/CRP.1).

Items 6 and 16

Country programmes and related matters

Adopted decision 2010/25 on the request by the United Republic of Tanzania to present a draft common country programme document to the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP.

UNFPA segment

Item 14

Annual report of the Executive Director

Adopted decision 2010/23 on the report of the UNFPA Executive Director for 2009: progress and achievements in implementing the UNFPA strategic plan.

Item 15

Funding commitments to UNFPA

Adopted decision 2010/24 on the report on contributions by Member States and others, and revenue projections for 2010 and future years.

Item 16

Country programmes and related matters

Took note of the one-year programme extensions for Albania, Bangladesh, Cape Verde, Chad, Ghana, Mauritania, Myanmar, Somalia, South Africa, Ukraine and Viet Nam;

Took note of the six-month programme extension for the United Republic of Tanzania;

Approved the two-year programme extensions for Namibia, Nepal, Pakistan and Sierra Leone;

Approved the second one-year programme extension for Iran (Islamic Republic of);

Took note of the following draft country programme documents and the comments made thereon:

Africa

Draft country programme document for Swaziland (DP/FPA/DCP/SWZ/5)

Arab States

Draft country programme document for Iraq (DP/FPA/DCP/IRQ/1)

Draft country programme for the Occupied Palestinian Territory (DP/FPA/DCP/OPT/4)

Asia and the Pacific

Draft country programme document for Cambodia (DP/FPA/DCP/KHM/4)

Draft country programme document for China (DP/FPA/DCP/CHN/7)

Draft country programme document for the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DP/FPA/DCP/PRK/5)

Eastern Europe and Central Asia

Draft country programme document for Azerbaijan (DP/FPA/DCP/AZE/3)

Draft country programme document for Belarus (DP/FPA/DCP/BLR/1)

Draft country programme document for Georgia (DP/FPA/DCP/GEO/2)

Draft country programme document for Turkey (DP/FPA/DCP/TUR/5).

**Item 17
Evaluation**

Adopted decision 2010/26 on the biennial report on evaluation.

**Item 18
Other matters**

Held the following briefings and events:

UNDP

Briefing on the international assessment of the Millennium Development Goals;

Reception and opening of the photo exhibition: *Picture this: caring for the earth*;

UNFPA

Special event panel discussion on eradicating poverty: why sexual and reproductive health matters;

UNDP/UNFPA

Joint side event on humanitarian and emergency response;

UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS

Panel on the role of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS in capacity development and development effectiveness.

1 July 2010

2010/28

Expression of appreciation to Thoraya Ahmed Obaid, Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund, 2001-2010

The Executive Board

Noting with regret that Thoraya Ahmed Obaid will retire from her position as Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund, effective 31 December 2010;

Recognizing that she has effectively positioned the agenda of the International Conference on Population and Development in the centre of national and global development programmes and policy dialogue to ensure that every pregnancy is wanted, every birth is safe, every young person is free of HIV and AIDS, every girl, woman and young person is treated with dignity and respect, and that policies for poverty eradication are based on sound data;

Acknowledging the pivotal role played by Ms. Obaid in promoting understanding of the close interlinkages between the implementation of the agenda of the International Conference on Population and Development and the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals, particularly the importance of respect for the human rights of women and greater investments in education and health for the eradication of extreme poverty and hunger;

Further acknowledging Ms. Obaid's deep and abiding commitment to supporting and advocating gender equality and the empowerment of women, and giving voice to countless women, men and youth around the world to participate in enhancing their reproductive health and well-being;

Noting with admiration Ms. Obaid's strategic leadership in working with partners around the world to put culture at the service of the development agenda and in support of universal principles as well as promoting the recognition of the importance of change from within to ensure sustainable development;

Recalling her strong attachment to and support for national ownership and national leadership and for strengthening national capacity for national execution and the use of national systems in development cooperation;

Further recalling her strong commitment to South-South cooperation;

Commending Ms. Obaid for the strong resource mobilization efforts which have led to a remarkable increase in the resource base of UNFPA and the largest number of Member States contributing to the organization in the entire United Nations system;

Acknowledging the dynamic leadership role played by Ms. Obaid in the process to institutionalize United Nations reform and 'delivering as one' across the United Nations system, including in the critical area of business practices;

Recognizing with deep appreciation that as the Executive Director of UNFPA, Ms. Obaid has brought a human face to development, including through exercising high office with humility, compassion and professionalism, and, in so doing, personifying the highest values of the United Nations and winning the admiration of her staff and development partners around the world;

1. *Decides* to pay a special farewell tribute to Thoraya Ahmed Obaid by:

(a) *Recognizing* the commitment, dedication and vision she has shown in strengthening the role of UNFPA at global, regional and country levels and in deepening and expanding partnerships for development with governments and civil society, including parliamentarians, non-governmental organizations, faith-based organizations, academia, foundations and other private-sector entities;

(b) *Commending* her for her effective guidance and management of UNFPA from 2001 to 2010, and her dynamic leadership in promoting United Nations reform;

(c) *Expressing* its gratitude for her outstanding leadership in advancing the goals of the International Conference on Population and Development and other internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration;

2. *Extends* its warmest good wishes to Thoraya Ahmed Obaid for continued good health and success in all her future endeavours.

2 September 2010

2010/29

Annual review of the financial situation, 2009

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of documents DP/2010/35 and DP/2010/35/Add.1;

2. *Also notes* the decrease in regular resources, which are necessary for UNDP to fulfil its mandate, to preserve its multilateral, impartial and universal character, and to provide an adequate and secure regular funding base to support strategic and flexible management approaches focused on long-term effectiveness and sustainable development results;

3. *Recalls* the importance of funding predictability, since the timeliness of payments of contributions is essential to avoid liquidity constraints in regular resources;

4. *Urges* all Member States to support UNDP in reaching resource targets set out in the strategic plan and to commit, as early as possible, contributions to UNDP regular resources for 2010 and onwards, if possible through multi-year pledges;

5. *Urges* UNDP to prioritize and to ensure efficiency gains and savings, and *requests* the management of UNDP to continue to adjust expenditure plans in line with income forecasts and to allocate savings to programmes, and to continue to update the Executive Board regularly on such savings, as appropriate, on travel and other costs;

6. *Requests* that future reports on the annual review of the financial situation present the effects of exchange rate fluctuations on the regular resources of UNDP

and provide an overview of the steps taken to diminish their impact on the financial results.

2 September 2010

2010/30

Assistance to Myanmar — Note by the Administrator

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note of* the present document (DP/2010/36) and of the report submitted by the independent assessment mission to Myanmar, in particular the strategic challenges and recommendations mentioned therein;
2. *Requests* that the Administrator take account of and implement the findings of the independent assessment mission, as appropriate, under the Human Development Initiative;
3. *Recommends* that UNDP initiate, as soon as possible, within the full potential of the existing mandate, the design of programming activities from 2012 onwards, taking into account the recommendations of the independent assessment mission.

2 September 2010

2010/31

Annual statistical report on the procurement activities of United Nations system organizations, 2009

The Executive Board

1. *Notes with appreciation* the annual statistical report on the procurement activities of the United Nations system of organizations (DP/2010/38 and DP/2010/38/Corr.1);
2. *Welcomes* the data presentation and analysis contained therein, as well as the relevance of the thematic supplement;
3. *Welcomes* the trend of increasing procurement by United Nations organizations from suppliers supporting the Global Compact.

2 September 2010

2010/32

Joint report of UNDP, UNFPA and UNICEF on the road map to an integrated budget: cost classification and results-based budgeting

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note of* the analysis contained in document DP-FPA/2010/1-E/ICEF/2010/AB/L.10;
2. *Endorses* the cost definitions and classification of activities and associated costs as proposed in the above-mentioned document (DP-FPA/2010/1-E/ICEF/2010/AB/L.10), for application effective in the 2012-2013 biennium, with the following amendments:

- (a) Development activities: (a) programmes; (b) development effectiveness;

- (b) United Nations development coordination;
 - (c) Management: (a) recurring costs; (b) non-recurring costs;
 - (d) Special purpose: (a) capital investments; (b) services for other United Nations organizations;
3. *Requests* additional written information, prior to the first regular session 2011, in the form of an informal note on the differences in the categorization of costs into cost classifications;
 4. *Requests* UNDP and UNFPA to present their 2012-2013 budget documents using these cost definitions and classifications;
 5. *Requests* UNDP and UNFPA, together with UNICEF, to reflect the new classifications in their financial statements and in their annual financial reviews presented in 2013 and onwards, to allow for a comparison between actual expenditures and budgets;
 6. *Requests* UNDP and UNFPA, together with UNICEF, to continue to work towards the presentation of a single integrated budget for each organization, starting in 2014, and to align the budgets with the results in the strategic plans of the organizations;
 7. *Requests* UNDP and UNFPA, together with UNICEF, to prepare an informal mock-up document to illustrate the format of the 2012-2013 budget, in line with decisions 2009/22 and 2009/26, that will ensure comprehensive, transparent linkages to the institutional and management results frameworks of the respective strategic plans, for discussion at the first regular session 2011, and *emphasizes* the need for regular consultations with the Executive Board, including on cost classification and results-based budgeting, prior to the first regular session 2011.

2 September 2010

2010/33

Evaluation of the UNFPA humanitarian response

The Executive Board

1. *Recognizes* the critical role of UNFPA in emergency preparedness, humanitarian response, and transition and recovery, in particular in the areas of emergency maternal health care, sexual and reproductive health care, gender-based violence, and data collection and analysis;
2. *Requests* UNFPA to revise its 2006-2009 humanitarian response strategy, to be discussed by the Executive Board at the first regular session 2011, through an oral presentation, to guide efforts to mainstream UNFPA humanitarian response activities, while taking into account the findings of the thematic evaluation of the UNFPA humanitarian response and to consider the revised humanitarian response strategy in the context of the UNFPA midterm strategic plan;
3. *Requests* UNFPA to include, in its revised strategy, a humanitarian results framework that has clearly defined indicators, with associated baselines and targets, including for gender equality, that builds on the results framework of the UNFPA strategic plan;

4. *Encourages* UNFPA to ensure that any changes or clarification in the current organizational structure and in the roles and responsibilities of its humanitarian response will enable UNFPA to respond to humanitarian crises in an efficient and effective manner;

5. *Stresses* the importance of improving systems and procedures, including those related to standard operating procedures and surge capacity, as well as strengthening and implementing the monitoring and evaluation framework for UNFPA humanitarian response activities, and *further stresses* the need to strengthen the capacity of implementing and national partners;

6. *Encourages* UNFPA to continue to work with the relevant humanitarian clusters when responding to emergency humanitarian situations and to focus on the priorities set by the humanitarian clusters.

2 September 2010

2010/34

Overview of decisions adopted by the Executive Board of UNDP/UNFPA at its second regular session 2010

The Executive Board

Recalls that during its second regular session 2010, it:

Item 1

Organizational matters

Approved the agenda and workplan for the second regular session 2010 (DP/2010/L.3);

Approved the report of the annual session 2010 (DP/2010/33);

Agreed to the following schedule of sessions of the Executive Board in 2011:

Election of the Bureau for 2011: 12 January 2011

First regular session 2011: 31 January to 3 February 2011

Joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP: 4 and 7 February 2011

Annual session 2011: 6 to 17 June 2011 (New York)

Second regular session 2011: 6 to 9 September 2011

Adopted the tentative workplan for the first regular session 2011;

Reviewed the draft annual workplan for 2011.

UNDP segment

Item 2

Financial, budgetary and administrative matters

Adopted decision 2010/29 on the annual review of the financial situation, 2009.

Item 3

Country programmes and related matters

Adopted decision 2010/30 on assistance to Myanmar — note by the Administrator;

Approved the following final country programme documents on a no-objection basis, without presentation or discussion, in accordance with decision 2006/36:

Africa: Swaziland;

Arab States: Iraq and Libyan Arab Jamahiriya;

Asia and the Pacific: Cambodia, China and Pakistan;

Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States: Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Serbia, Turkey and the regional programme document for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States;

Approved the second one-year extension of the country programme for the Islamic Republic of Iran;

Took note of the following draft country programme documents and the comments made thereon:

Africa

Draft country programme document for Burkina Faso (DP/DCP/BFA/2);

Draft country programme document for Zambia (DP/DCP/ZMB/2);

Arab States

Draft country programme document for Somalia (DP/DCP/SOM/2);

Asia and the Pacific

Draft country programme document for the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DP/DCP/PRK/3);

Draft country programme document for Indonesia (DP/DCP/IDN/2);

Draft country programme document for Maldives (DP/DCP/MDV/2);

Latin America and the Caribbean

Draft country programme document for Chile (DP/DCP/CHL/2);

Draft country programme document for Uruguay (DP/DCP/URY/2).

UNOPS segment

Item 4

United Nations Office for Project Services

Adopted decision 2010/31 on the annual statistical report on the procurement activities of United Nations system organizations, 2009.

Joint segment

Item 5

Financial, budgetary and administrative matters

Adopted decision 2010/32 on the joint report of UNDP, UNFPA and UNICEF on the road map to an integrated budget: cost classification and results-based budgeting.

Item 6

Follow-up to the UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board meeting

Took note of the report on the implementation of the decisions and recommendations of the Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (DP/2010/39-DP/FPA/2010/26).

UNFPA segment

Item 7

Evaluation

Adopted decision 2010/33 on the evaluation of the UNFPA humanitarian response.

Item 8

Country programmes and related matters

Approved the following country programmes on a no-objection basis, without presentation or discussion, in accordance with decision 2006/36:

Africa: Swaziland;

Arab States: Iraq and the Occupied Palestinian Territory;

Asia and the Pacific: Cambodia, China and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea;

Eastern Europe and Central Asia: Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia and Turkey;

Took note of the following draft country programme documents and the comments made thereon:

Africa:

Draft country programme document for Burkina Faso (DP/FPA/DCP/BFA/7);

Draft country programme document for Zambia (DP/FPA/DCP/ZMB/7);

Arab States:

Draft country programme document for Somalia (DP/FPA/DCP/SOM/2);

Asia and the Pacific:

Draft country programme document for Indonesia (DP/FPA/DCP/IDN/8);

Draft country programme document for Maldives (DP/FPA/DCP/MDV/5);

Latin America and the Caribbean:

Draft country programme document for Uruguay (DP/FPA/DCP/URY/2).

Item 9

Other matters

Farewell ceremony for the UNFPA Executive Director

Adopted decision 2010/28 on the expression of appreciation to Thoraya Ahmed Obaid, Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund, 2001-2010.

Held the following informal briefings and consultations:

UNDP

Informal briefing on the UNDP response to the floods in Pakistan;

Informal briefing on UNDP internet initiatives;

Informal briefing on the UNDP Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery strategic review;

UNFPA

Informal briefing on the Secretary-General's global strategy for women's and children's health;

Informal briefing on the UNFPA response to the floods in Pakistan.

2 September 2010

**TENTATIVE WORKPLAN
EXECUTIVE BOARD OF UNDP/UNFPA
FIRST REGULAR SESSION 2011
(31 January to 7 February 2011, New York)**

<i>Day/Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Subject</i>
Wednesday, 12 January	TBD		Election of the Bureau of the Board for 2011
Monday, 31 January	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	1	ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of the agenda and workplan for the session • Adoption of the report of the second regular session 2010 • Adoption of the annual workplan 2011 of the Executive Board <p style="text-align: center;">UNDP SEGMENT</p> <p style="text-align: center;">STATEMENT BY THE ADMINISTRATOR</p>
	3 - 5 p.m.	2	GENDER IN UNDP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oral report of the Administrator on the implementation of the UNDP gender equality strategy and action plan (decisions 2009/6 and 2010/4)
		3	COUNTRY PROGRAMMES AND RELATED MATTERS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft common country programme document for the United Republic of Tanzania (decision 2010/25) • Approval of country programme documents
		<i>5:30 - 6 p.m.</i>	<i>Informal consultations on draft decisions</i>
Tuesday, 1 February	10 a.m.- 1 p.m.		<p style="text-align: center;">UNFPA SEGMENT</p> <p style="text-align: center;">STATEMENT BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR</p>
	3 - 5 p.m.	8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oral presentation on the midterm review of the UNFPA strategic plan COUNTRY PROGRAMMES AND RELATED MATTERS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft common country programme document for the United Republic of Tanzania (decision 2010/25) • Approval of country programme documents
			<i>5 - 6 p.m.</i>
Wednesday, 2 February	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	4	<p style="text-align: center;">UNDP SEGMENT (cont'd)</p> EVALUATION <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revised UNDP evaluation policy (decision 2010/16)

<i>Day/Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Subject</i>
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluation of UNDP contribution to prevention and recovery in countries affected by natural disasters and management response • Evaluation of UNDP contribution to strengthening national capacities for national development strategies and management response • Evaluation of UNDP contribution to environmental management for poverty reduction: the poverty-environment nexus and management response • Evaluation of UNDP contribution to decentralization and local governance and management response • Evaluation of UNDP regionalization process and management response
	3 - 5 p.m.	4	EVALUATION (cont'd)
	<i>5 – 6 p.m.</i>		<i>Informal consultations on draft decisions</i>
Thursday, 3 February	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	5	<p style="text-align: center;">JOINT SEGMENT</p> <p>REPORT TO THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report of the Administrator of UNDP and the Executive Director of UNFPA to the Economic and Social Council
		6	<p>RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD OF AUDITORS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reports of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors, 2008-2009
	3 - 6 p.m.	7	<p>FINANCIAL, BUDGETARY AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reports of UNDP and UNFPA on human resources management <p>OTHER MATTERS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Global Environment Facility: Note by Administrator on the proposed amendment to the Global Environment Facility instrument • Adoption of pending decisions <p>ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of the tentative workplan for the annual session 2011
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Friday, 4 February; Monday, 7 February			JOINT MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARDS OF UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF AND WFP