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(RESUMED SIXTH SESSION)

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## INTRODUCTION

1. The sixth session of the ACC Consultative Committee on Programme and Operational Questions (CCPOQ) was reconvened at the headquarters of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) in Geneva on 25 and 26 July 1995 in order to consider, *inter alia*, the draft report of the Secretary-General to the General Assembly on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities within the United Nations system. At the request of the Chairperson, the Director of the Division for Policy Coordination and Economic and Social Council Affairs, Department for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development of the United Nations Secretariat, chaired the meeting in her absence. The agenda for the reconvened session is contained in annex I, list of participants in annex II.

## WORK OF CCPOQ

### A. Action taken and decisions adopted

2. CCPOQ endorsed the proposed programme budget for 1996-1997 of the Subcommittee on Nutrition for submission to the ACC Consultative Committee on Administrative Questions (Financial and Budgetary Questions) (CCAQ(FB)), (paras. 7-10).

### B. Summary of discussions

#### 1. Triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development within the United Nations system

3. The representative of the United Nations Secretariat introduced the draft report. He recalled that it had been agreed that the report would focus on the policy recommendations to be submitted to the General Assembly, on the basis of the interim analysis submitted to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1995 (E/1995/98) and the Council's discussions thereon. The report would be accompanied by addenda containing (a) an update of the interim analysis, essentially taking account of further inputs received from recipient countries, and (b) comprehensive statistical data on operational activities for development for the year 1993 (E/1995/76/Add.2). The representative noted that, in accordance with the Secretary-General's approach to an agenda for development, the proposed policy recommendations addressed functional rather than structural issues and might need to be modified to reflect the final recommendations and decisions adopted by the Council.

4. Committee members expressed general satisfaction with the style and contents of the draft report, which was viewed as a comprehensive and manageable package. The focus on functional directives was endorsed; in particular, the inclusion of policy recommendations on the regional dimension in operational activities was welcomed. It was agreed that the number of recommendations could

be reduced by combining some recommendations and transforming others into statements of action to be taken by the United Nations system.

5. The Committee proceeded to review the draft in detail. After extensive consideration of the various issues and recommendations it contained, a number of proposals on the aim and substance of the system-wide action being envisaged were incorporated into a revised draft. The Committee welcomed the revised version, which took full account of the views expressed in the discussions.

6. In addition, the Committee noted that a number of institutional issues had emerged from the discussions; it agreed to return to them at a subsequent session.

2. ACC Subcommittee on Nutrition: 1996-1997 programme budget

7. The Secretary of the ACC Subcommittee on Nutrition (SCN) presented the proposal made by the Subcommittee at its twenty-third session (Washington, D.C., 12-16 June 1995) for a \$1,070,000 core budget for 1996-1997 (ACC/1995/POQ/CRP.22 and Add.1). He drew attention to the distinction - made for the first time - between the core SCN budget, based on an agreed assessment of member organizations, and a supplementary budget, which would finance extra activities as and when voluntary funds became available.

8. It was recalled that, although the report of the Subcommittee on its twenty-third session would not be submitted to CCPOQ until its seventh session (to be held in New York, 19-22 September 1995), the draft budget was being considered at the current resumed session of CCPOQ because it had to be approved by CCAQ(FB) at its eighty-second session, to be held in August 1995.

9. Referring to the proposed core budget, the United Nations Development Programme advised that it was not yet able to confirm its proposed contribution for 1996-1997, while the World Health Organization advised that it would confirm its proposed contribution at the eighty-second session of CCAQ(FB) to be held in August 1995.

10. With those provisos, CCPOQ endorsed the proposed budget of the Subcommittee on Nutrition for approval by CCAQ(FB).

Annex I

AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system: report of the Secretary-General.
3. Subcommittee on Nutrition: proposed programme budget for 1996-1997.
4. Any other business.

Annex II

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