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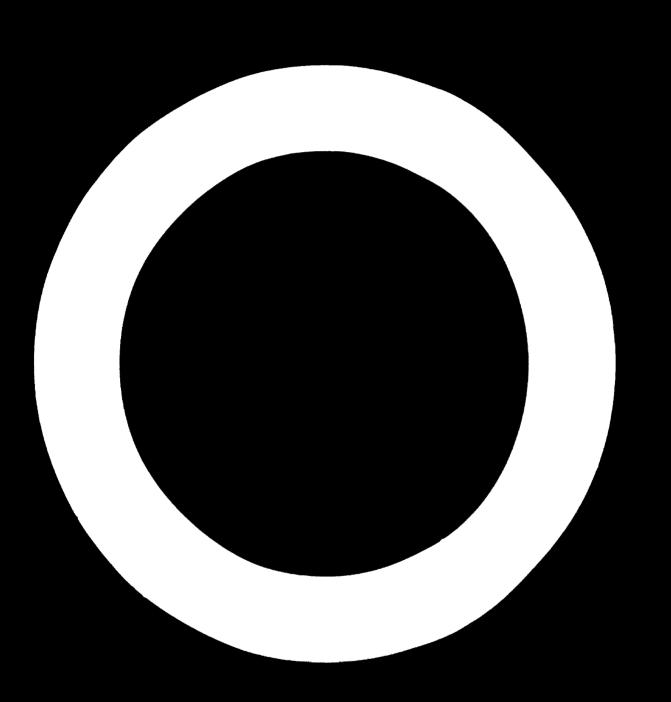
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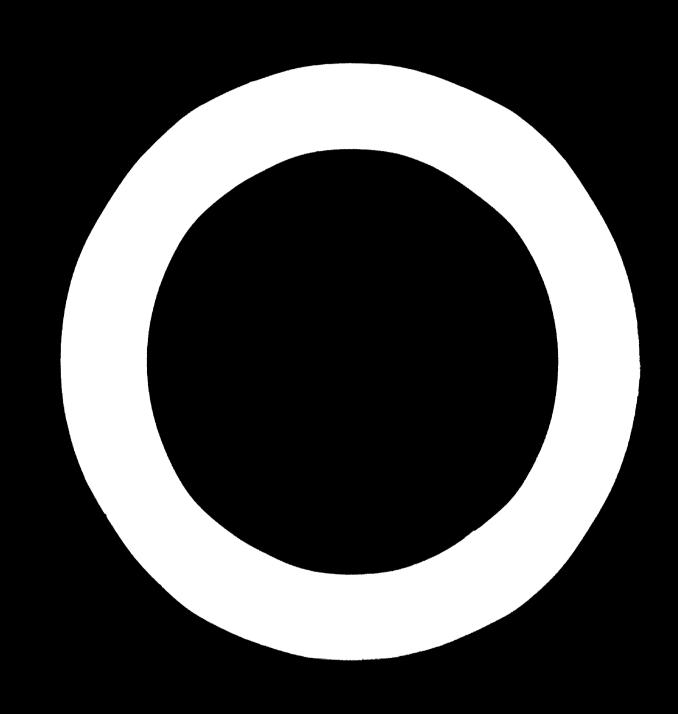
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UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Inter-regional Project of the Governments of Latin America

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I. BACKGROUND AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION

A. Justification for the Project

1. Introduction

Within the framework of the Second Development Decade the International Development Strategy and its objectives are stated in Resolution 2626 (XXV). The Strategy incorporates an arrangement for review and appraisal of progress. "Appropriate arrangements are necessary to keep under systematic scrutiny the progress towards achieving the goals and objectives of the Decade — to identify shortfalls in their achievement and the factors which account for them and to recommend positive measures, including new goals and policies as needed." (International Development Strategy, p.26)

The Committee for Development Planning states further that
"it cannot be over-emphasized that what development implies for the
developing countries is not simply an increase in productive capacity
but major transformation in their social and economic structures"

(Towards Accelerated Development, p.5). In this context, the
measurement of performance must not be confined to the collection of
statistical information, such as per capita production, but should
encompass the evaluation of the statistical information in the light
ef developmental objectives. In short, it can be stated that review
and appraisal in the context of the International Development Strategy
programme should include,

- (1) statistical measurement of the performance of an economy;
- (2) the evaluation of information in the light of development objectives and
- (3) the identification of developmental problems.

2. The Need for Review and Appraisal

During the course of econo ic development there is a persistent need for systematic review of progress towards goals and objectives associated with the developing country's national plan. Similar requirements are evident with regard to the United Nation's Second Development Decade and the International Development Strategy.

Equally important for developing countries are the needs for appropriate information upon which to base (1) future objectives, (ii) recommend new policy measures, (iii) provide a basis of comparison between activities in the given developing country with those in other developing countries (eg. employment generation in specific sectors, productivity and technology in key economic areas, etc.) and (iv) to anticipate future patterns of development and problems.

The types of planning and evaluation decisions which are related to these informational needs are most important to the economic success of any developing country. However, these decisions are frequently made without the appropriate information or, at least, with unreliable and incomplete data. This description is accurate for almost all developing countries but is particularly appropriate for those countries whichhave seldom made any attempts to create the necessary informational system.

3. Special Problems of Review and Appraisal Associated with Industry

Due to their inherent nature, industry and industrialisation pose special problems of an informational nature which could be tackled in the context of review and appraisal. Several of these peculiarities are briefly discussed below.

- In the minds of most government planners and economists, industry constitutes the most dynamic economic sector. Projections for growth, employment prospects, planning exercises, etc. are particularly sensitive to the assumptions made regarding industrial development. Frequently, these assumptions are merely guesses or are based on incomplete and unreliable data. In short, macro economic planning exercises are especially dependent upon the expected industrial performance and when the underlying information is inadequate, plans and projections are more distorted than is the case with inaccuracies in other economic sectors.
- There are several obvious industrial characteristics which make review and appraisal particularly important to this branch of the economy. Relative to other economic sectors there are a larger member of potential products, processee and skill requirements for labour and management. In general, the range for levels of productivity of labour and capital are much wider (among developing countries and between developing and developed countries) for industry. Basic changes in product technology also occur more frequently and rapidly in industry. Such problems as underutilisation of capital, bottlenecks in the chain of supply due to recduction breakdowns or balance of payments problems associated with luxury and/or capital imports most frequently reflect problems of an industrial nature.
- e) Current Status of Industrial Information Systems in Developing Countries.

Data regarding industrial performance is generally less adequate. then that for other activities. Some of the reasons for this are suggested in 3.b. above. In addition to these reasons, one may

cite the fact that industry is a relatively "young sector"
compared to others. Industrial growth in developing countries has
outstripped the creation of the institutional machinery for industry.
Data for purposes of industrial planning and evaluation have been
lacking as a result. Even in the more advanced of the developing
countries, previous review and appraisal has been haphasard and there
is little compatibility between data systems in different countries.
For illustration, only two examples are recorded here:

- (i) Identical products are defined quite differently in the data schemes of different developing countries. Thus, the product may be placed in the basic metals sector in one country and defined to be in the non metallic minerals sector in another. Comparisons of one country's performance with others become much more difficult.
- (ii) Products which have a large manufacturing content are sometimes defined as agricultural products and vice versa. Questions of balance of trade, the success of industrial export promotion, evaluations of tariff and quotas policies, etc. are therefore blurred.

B. Provisions for Government Follow-up

The results of the project should provide the Governments with the necessary information to take corrective steps to improve performance in the context of the International Development Strategy (see corrective measures, page 6). It should also provide the Governments with alternative methods of improving on national capabilities in the area of industrial review and appraisal.

C. Institutional Framework

The team will work in Daison with ECLA and maintain their base of operations in that institution. The Government agencies in the various countries will be identified during the exploratory mission.

NOTE OF STREET

II. ONJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

A. Long-rame Objectives

The long-run objective of the project will be to assist beneficiary countries, including the least developed, in improving their machineries and techniques for review and appraisal of industrial progress. Based upon the statements issued by the Committee for Development Planning (see, particularly Towards Accelerated Development, p.5) review and appraisal as conceived in the context of the International Development Strategy should include:

- (1) statistical measurement of the performance of an economy;
- (2) evaluation of information in the light of development objectives;
- (3) identification of development problems

In the field of industrialization, UNIDO interprets these functions as follows: 1/2/

- (1) collection of industrial statistics and related information
 - a) improved quality of the data and coverage;
 - b) identification of inconsistencies in the present data collection schemes;
 - c) recommendations to achieve a greater degree of international and regional compatibility of industrial information
- (2) evaluation of industrial progress in relation to development objectives and policies
 - a) indications of the types of data which should be collected on a continuous basis and would be of most importance for purposes of evaluation, projections,

The sub-headings are intended to indicate potential areas of supposes with regard to each function.

Obviously, some selective criteria will have to be employed in a regional project which covers such a wide range of complex issues. This point is discussed in the following pages.

anticipation of reversals in trends and bottlenecks in development;

- b) recommendations and illustrations of the types of approaches to be employed in making inter-country comparisons on the performance of specific industrial sectors (eg. export performances, labour and capital productivity, distribution systems for industrial goods, multinational firms, etc.)
- c) evaluation of the impact of specific industrial policies, their importance and side effects
- (3) identification of problems in the industrial field in developing countries
 - a) general studies indicating trends and characteristics on specific problems of major interest (industrial employment and/or employment in specific sub sectors)
 - b) environmental studies involving specific industrial regions or sectors
 - c) selected aspects of international trade, possibly including balance of payments, fluctuations in international exchange rates and regional organizations.
- (4) corrective measures
 - a) provision of alternative schemes for improving existing industrial data collection;
 - b) recommendations, where appropriate, regarding the evaluation of industrialization relating to development objectives and policies:
 - o) indications of potential problem areas based on the inter-country comparison, projections, macro-economic studies, etc. outlined above

In providing such information as this, the overriding objective would be to insure that the country would eventually reach a position

where similar exercises could be conducted by nationals and the programme would become a continuous one.

A Immediate Objectives

The projects immediate objectives are to provide participating countries with current information and technical advice on the subject areas of most pressing importance, to indicate areas where modifications in present data collection procedures can lead to immediate improvement and to assist the governments in beginning to implement long-run plans for industrial appraisal and review on a continuous basis.

III. TENTATIVE PLAN OF HORK 1/

A. <u>Description of Project Objectives</u>

1. Preparatory Activities - Exploratory Mission October - December 1973

Among the important areas to be determined during the preparatory phase are the participant countries and the individual characteristics of these countries as they effect the review and appraisal effort.

Ideally, it is desirable to maintain a consistent format across countries. However, we recognize that individual country cases must be dealt with on their own merit, and this will necessitate that some variations occur in the approach. Thus, the preparatory mission must give careful thought to the industrial structure of the host countries, the types of industrial data which are available, the relevant demestic institutions which may cooperate in the review phase

When to the fact that considerable variation is expected in the approach of individual countries to the project of review and appraisal a number of aspects in this document must be regarded as tentative. It is expected that the exploratory mission will week out the specific points to meet the needs of each case.

and later utilize the results, coordination of the training element and the appropriate technical assistance.

The mission will investigate and determine the following points:

- a) the scope of technical assistance which is in demand for appraisal and monitoring of industrial development. The proposal prepared by UNIDO would serve as a point of departure for investigation and discussion. Decisions should be reached with regard to the following specific points:
 - (i) the feasibility of applying review and appraisal techniques at the sectoral level for various industries;
 - (ii) the criteria for the selective approach which should be employed in choosing the specific industries and topics to be included;
 - (mi) the information which would be collected and the extent of the analysis which would utilize this data;
 - (iv) the countries which would be interested in participating;
 - (v) the relationship between this project and the existing work on industrial planning in participant countries
- b) the working arrangements with the ECLA Secretariat and the cooperation and counterpart support of the host governments will have to be agreed upon.

The mission would consist of a UNDP representative, a UNIDO representative, an ECLA representative and a consultant recruited by UNIDO. The project should begin as soon as possible - assuming prompt UNDP approval this would probably be early in the last querter of 1973. Based upon the assumption of early UNDP approval the following timetable is proposed for the exploratory mission:

October 1 - October 15

Activities

- (a) Communication with potential participant countries outlining the general approach to be discussed;
- (h) hegin preparation of brief background papers on each country regarding the issues relevant to project discussion;
- October 15 October 22
- (a) First meeting of the team in Vienna to organize programme of discussion with the countries:
- (h) finalization of background papers;
- October 22 November 24
- (a) discussions with countries
- November 24 December 8
- (a) concluding discussions in Vienna
- (b) preparation of finalized Project
 Document and report of the mission

2. Project activities

January 1974 - Dec. 1977

Project activities will consist of (a) ad hoc advisory services of a short term nature to be rendered upon request and (b) a series of training seminars to be provided for the host countries grouped as appropriate. The Team will report their findings on a continuous basis to participating countries.

a) Advisory services - January 1974 - Dec. 1977

Advisory services will be provided by the expert team of the project, each being of a limited duration, at the request of the government concerned. While the detail of their terms of reference

depends on specific needs envisaged in each case, their fields of competence cover technical and institutional problems related to the general tasks tescribed on page 12.

Some missions may be ornducted by one or two selected members of the Project team, concentrating on given specific aspects of the overall industrial planning and progress appraisal systems and issues. In some cases, simultaneous participation of the entire team might be required to undertake a comprehensive investigation and guidance. An in-depth appraisal of the industrialization strategies and policies in given countries will also be considered among the possible types of missions. A detailed programming of these country missions will be worked out following the exploratory mission.

The Project will advise the Governments of individual beneficiary countries on matters relating to any important technical assistance needs in the field of industry that stretch beyond the ecope and the resources of the Project. Any findings from the country missions that call for follow-up assistance will be promptly communicated to the relevant UNDP offices. Thus, along with its substantive advisory functions. the Project is to contribute to the efficiency and consistency of the over-all activities related to Country Programming and Neviews of Technical Assistance in the field of industry in the respective beneficiary countries. The expertise of the four-man team of experte will be supplemented through utilisation of a consultant component. Consultants will be used to provide on-the-job guidance in specialised fields (eg. computer utilization and computer programming related to the industrial information scheme, industrial problem areas requiring detailed knowledge of epecific production processes, etc.). As a rule, the contract for each consultant should not exceed

4 months and his assignment in each country should be limited to two months.

The consultant component would also be utilized in connection with the training seminars discussed below. Special skills and knowledge will be required in the proparation and presentation of several subjects to be taken up in these seminars.

b) Training Seminars August - December 1977

During the four year project period three seminars will be organized covering all the beneficiary countries in various sub-groups. These will take place hear the end of the project. The seminars will constitute an important phase of the project activities as a whole, and will cover: the desired elements of the industrial progress appraisal system; review of the existing industrial information and evaluation system of each beneficiary country; exchange of views and experiences relating to technical elements among countries and general guidelines for programming and implementing national measures; identification of technical assistance needs and the terms of reference applicable to the advisory mission to be mounted in each requesting country. They will also discuss the experience being gained in the beneficiary countries in their efforts to improve the information system for industrial planning and follow-up, the findings from in-depth appraisals of industrialization strategies and policies, and the guidelines for future work related to the International Development Strategy.

The government of each beneficiary country is to nominate three participants to the seminars; one from the government ministry or agency responsible for industrial planning and policy fermulation, one from the national office concerned with industrial statistics, one from the central organ responsible for the implementation of

major industrial programmes and projects under the national plan.

These participants should be in key positions to disseminate
the discussions of the seminars among their colleagues and to
initiate and undertake any new programmes concerning the appraisal
of progress in the context of national planning and policy reviews.
The duration of each seminar will be around three weeks. It is
anticipated that three seminars will be included for the
respective country groups, the grouping being considered on a
flexible pragmatic basis, taking into account geographical
vicinity, linguistic similarity, the readiness of countries
for given time schedules, etc. The host countries for seminars
will be decided upon as deemed appropriate. Countries wishing
to participate in the various seminars with a higher frequency
than the resources of the Project are planned to accommodate will
be permitted to de so at their ewn expense.

B. Description of UNDP inputs

1. Assignment of International Personnel

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- a) Team of Experts "
 - (i) Team leader Industrial Boonomist
 General job requirements: good knowledge
 of industrial strategies and policies in
 developing countries. Previous experience
 in industrial planning is also desired

Jenuary 1974 4 years

If the starting date for these experts would be appreximately three menths after completion of the exploratory mission.

(ii) Industrial Economist

General job requirements: wide

familiarity of various industrial
sectors. Ability to conduct
analytical studies of a technical
nature involving industrial performance
and policy matters

January 1,74
four years

(*ii) Expert in Industrial Statistics and Information Systems

General job requirements: through knowledge of industrial classification schemes and ability to advise on these. Advise on sampling and data collection procedures.

January 1974 four years

(iv) Industrial Engineer

General job requirements: a wide

knowledge of industry and the ability

to advise en various aspects including

production techniques, skill requirements,

capital requirements. Previous experience
in project evaluation would also be useful.

Jenuary 1974 four years

b) Compultants

(i) Short-term consultants

General job requirements: an in-depth knowledge of specific fields of expertise will be required to supplement the more general work of the advisory team.

The contract for each consultant should not exceed 4 months and his assignment in each country should be limited to two months.

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(ii) UNIDO consultant exploratory mission
General job requirements: a knowledge
of industrial statistics and their
applicability for purposes of planning,
evaluation of performance at the macro
and sectoral levels, etc.

October 1973 three months

(iii) UNIDO staff member-exploratory mission.

General job requirements: knowledge of industrial surveys, familiarity with the application of review and appraisal to problems of developing countries

end of October 1973

(iv) UNDP staff member-exploratory mission

end of October 1973

(v) BCLA staff member-exploratory mission

end of October 1973 one month

C. Proposed Government Counterpart Contribution

Governments will ensure payment of salaries of trainees. The total value of this contribution has not been estimated yet.

The Governments of the countries receiving advisory missions could be expected to provide for the local counterparts to work with the mission teams. The cours of these are to be estimated for each beneficiary country according to the size and the duration of field missions it expects to receive during the project period.

SUGGESTED SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

(by 3-months periods)

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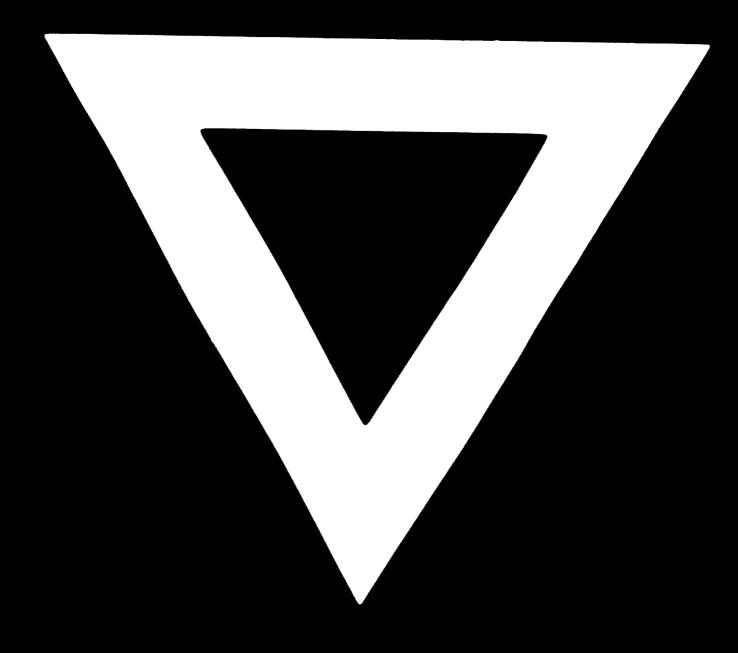
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