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UNIDO REGULAR PROGRAMME OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME PLANNING LEVEL FOR 1971

Submitted by the Executive Director

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1. General Assembly resolution 2298(XXII) of 12 December 1967 endorsed "the recommendation of the Industrial Development Board calling for the establishment of a separate section in part V of the budget of the United Nations to provide for the programme of technical assistance in industrial development at an appropriate level commensurate with the expanding requirements of the developing countries".

2. On the basis of the planning level, to be approved by the Industrial Development Board during its third session, the Executive Director will initiate towards the end of 1969 programming procedures with the recipient Governments. On the basis of the formal requests received from these Governments, he will establish a draft programme for 1971 which will be submitted to the Industrial Development Board for approval at its fourth session in 1970. During the same session, the Board is to approve the planning level of the Regular Programme of UNIDO for 1972. In this connexion, the attention of the Board is invited to document ID/B/47 which contains the draft Regular Programme of UNIDO for 1970.

3. The Executive Director wishes to recall that the planning levels for 1969 and 1970 were approved at \$1.5 million in the second session of the Industrial Development Board under resolution 11(II). The United Nations General Assembly, in resolution 2407(XXIII) adopted at its twenty-third session, endorsed the planning level recommended by the Board for 1969.

4. It may be recalled that the recommended amount of \$1.5 million was based on what was thought to be a reasonable compromise between the volume of requests submitted by the Governments and a realistic estimate of the financing possibilities under the entire United Nations Regular Programme of Technical Assistance. During the programming exercise for the UNIDO Regular Programme for 1969 (document ID/B/26/Add.II/Rev.1) and the draft programme for 1970 (document ID/B/47), the actual requests received from Governments exceeded the programme level recommended by the Board as follows (in millions of US dollars):

Year	Programme level	Actual requests
1969	1.5	2.3
1970	1.5	2.7

5. The Industrial Development Board may wish to recommend for the 29/1 Regular Programme, under part V, section 14, of the United Nations budget, a planning level of \$1.5 million which would maintain the UNIDO programme at the levels of 1969 and 1970.





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