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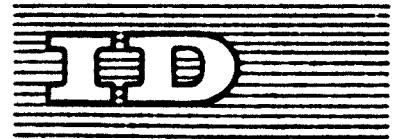
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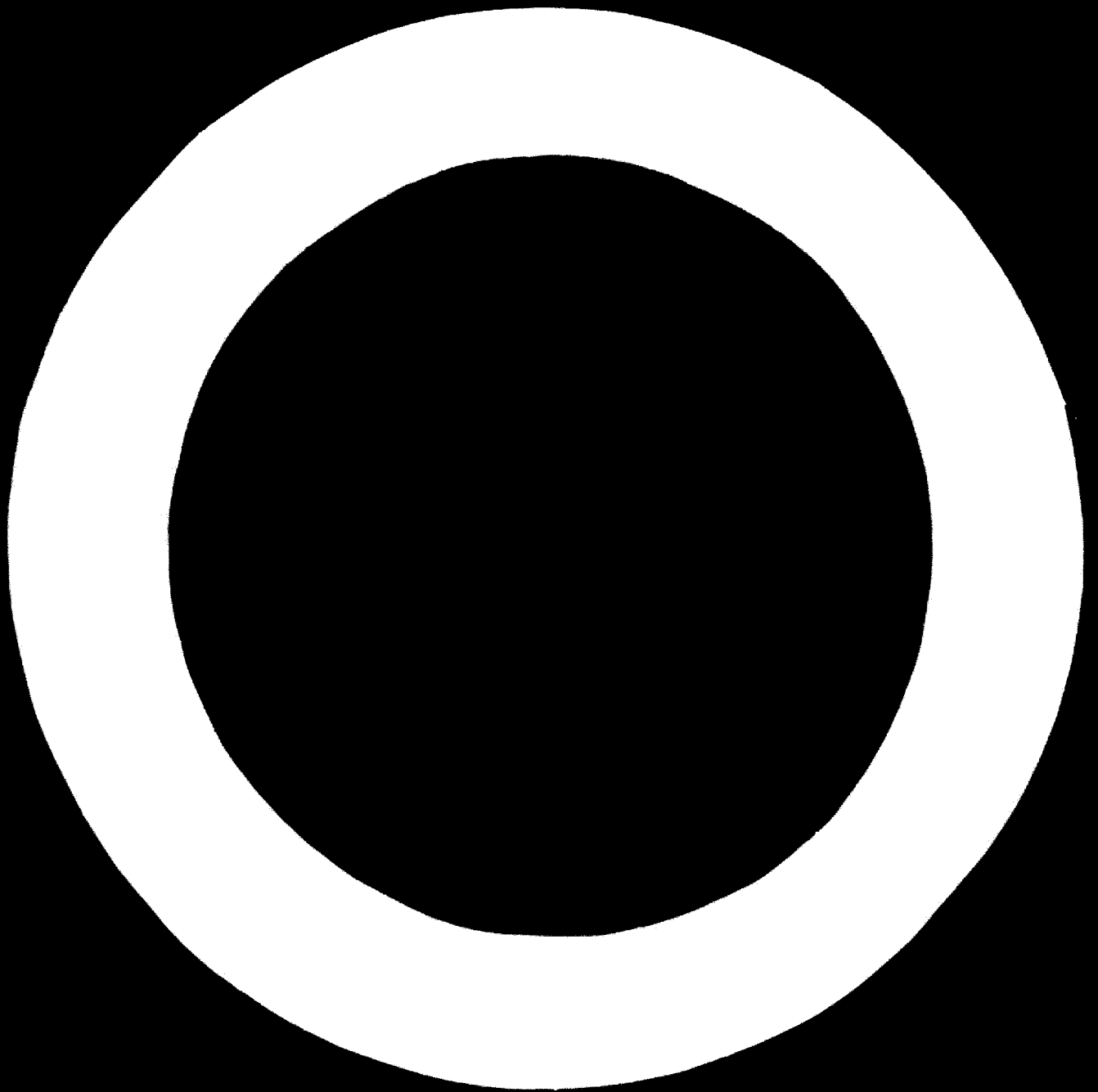
Agenda item 5

PROGRAMME OF WORK FOR 1972, REPORT OF ACTIVITIES IN 1970
AND UPDATING OF 1971 PROGRAMME

Addendum

Report of the Executive Director on
Prior Consultations on Work Programmes

We regret that some of the pages in the microfiche copy of this report may not be up to the proper legibility standards, even though the best possible copy was used for preparing the master fiche.



1. The Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1549 (XLIX) requested "the Secretary-General to ensure in all parts of the United Nations Secretariat under his over-all responsibility that: (a) The comments of other United Nations organizations are invited on all draft work programme documents and their comments are notified to the intergovernmental bodies responsible for preliminary or final consideration of the work programme".^{1/}

2. In accordance with the above recommendation of the Economic and Social Council and the procedure laid down by the Secretary-General on the subject, the Executive Director of UNIDO transmitted, for information and comments, to the following organizations the UNIDO Programme of Work for 1972, Report of the Activities in 1970 and Updating of 1971 Programme (ID/B/80/Add.1-4) with a request to submit observations preferably before 1 May 1971:

Under-Secretary-General, Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Assistant Secretary-General, Office for Inter-Agency Affairs

Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)

Economic Commission for Latin America (ECLA)

Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East (ECAFE)

Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)

United Nations Economic and Social Office in Beirut (UNESOB)

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)

World Food Programme (joint United Nations/FAO programme)

International Labour Organisation (ILO)

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)

World Health Organization (WHO)

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD)

International Telecommunication Union (ITU)

Inter-governmental Maritime Consultative Organization (IMCO)

International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)

^{1/} Document ID/B/CRP/71-1, p.93.

3. As of 18 May 1971, UNIDO had received replies from the United Nations Secretariat New York, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, ECA, ECAFE, ECE, UNESOB, UNCTAD, UNDP, UNITAR, WFP, FAO, UNESCO, WHO, IBRD, ITU and IMCO. Of these, five organizations submitted comments of a substantive nature and relevant extracts of these comments are reproduced in annex I of this document - annex II contains comments by the UNIDO secretariat on the observations made by UNCTAD and ECA.

ANNEX I

EXTRACTS FROM COMMENTS ON THE WORK PROGRAMMES OF UNIDO

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

... In general, these documents indicate clearly those areas in which co-operation between UNCTAD and UNIDO is taking place or is proposed in the future. It may be noted that, at the periodic meetings of the Working Group of Representatives of UNIDO and UNCTAD on Co-ordination, discussions have already taken place on co-operation in a number of the projects outlined in the programme of work.

The promotion of international subcontracting arrangements (ID/B/80/Add.3, paras.205-212) is not shown as being among those projects. At the fifth meeting of the Working Group of Representatives, however, it was agreed that such promotion will be a co-operative endeavour along lines which will be defined at future meetings of the fifth session of the Industrial Development Board and at the Special International Conference of UNIDO.

Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)

1. In 1970 ECA co-operated in the implementation of seven UNIDO projects. These were projects 3.04.01; 8.02.01; 8.03.03; 9.01.04; 11.01.02; 11.03.02; and 13.09.02. In the case of projects 8.02.01; 9.01.04; 11.03.02; and 13.09.02, the attached UNIDO documents do not indicate that they were implemented in co-operation with ECA. This should be rectified in order to ensure consistency of reporting (for example compare paragraphs 166 and 167 of Part Two, where in one the co-operation of ECAFE is mentioned while that of ECA is omitted from paragraph 167).

2. As regards implementation of 1971 projects, inter-secretariat discussions have been initiated on a number of them. However, no joint projects have been implemented thus far.

3. As a result of programme discussions held in Vienna in December 1970, a comprehensive list of 1971 and 1972 co-operative projects was drawn up. Three types of projects were identified depending on the nature and degree of co-operation.

Category I refers to projects on which ECA and UNIDO agree on joint implementation;

Category II refers to projects in which co-operation would take the form of providing papers, comments on aide-mémoires and participation in each other's meetings;

Category III refers to projects where further discussions are required and which would be undertaken in the course of this year.

Sixteen projects were at the time identified as category I projects. I feel the UNIDO documents on work programmes should indicate that these projects would be implemented in co-operation with ECA. This has been done in some of the projects but is not indicated in the case of projects 8.02.01 (1972); 11.01.02 (1971); 11.03.02 (1971); 13.09.02 (1971); 4.01.02 (1972); 15.06.02 (continuing); 15.06.01 (continuing); 12.01.01 (1971/72); 12.03.03 (1971/72); 12.05.02 (1971/72); 13.09.02 (1971); 8.02.01 (1972).

4. ECA has submitted to UNIDO four regional projects for UNDP/TA funding for 1971 and 1972. These have not been listed in part three of the report. Clarification should be sought from UNIDO as to the status of the projects. The ECA proposals are:

- Training Course for Project Evaluators,
- Training Course on Investment Analysis and Promotion Techniques,
- Expert Group Meeting on the Central African Industrial Harmonization Study, and
- Expert Group Meeting on the North African Industrial Harmonization Study.

5. Progress on co-operation on these projects is to be reviewed in Vienna next month in connexion with the attendance of the Director of ECA Industry and Housing Division to the UNIDO series of meetings in May and June.

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

... Within the short time given it has not been possible to study the Programme in detail, but from a rapid perusal of the documents we feel that we have nothing of importance to bring to the attention of UNIDO's governing organs with regard to duplication and overlapping of effort.

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

... UNIDO's rapidly expanding programme of assistance in industrial research institution-building and in industrial engineering and technician training has been noted with interest.

While congratulating you upon your fine record of achievement, we would also express the hope that UNESCO/UNIDO co-operation in research institution-building will continue at an ever-increasing rate.

World Health Organization (WHO)

ID/B/80/Add.1.

1. Page 64 - Pharmaceuticals (4.03)

We note the reference to co-operation with WHO with regard to medicinals.

Consideration is being given by UNIDO and WHO to the extension of their co-operation through:

- (a) Gathering information from WHO Member States on the therapeutic needs of countries and on local problems related to efficacy, safety and quality of drugs;
- (b) Strengthening and developing participation by WHO in the assessment of such therapeutic needs at an early stage in UNIDO's planning of pharmaceutical products;
- (c) Increasing the number of fellowships for the training of specialists in drug therapy and production and of consultations on relevant problems; and
- (d) Providing more information on therapeutic and pharmaceutical requirements through publications.

The Executive Board of WHO at its 47th Session in January 1971 recommended to the Twenty-fourth World Health Assembly (May 1971) that it invite the Director-General to continue the co-operation with UNIDO in assisting developing countries to establish pharmaceutical production.

2. Page 80 - Pesticides (5.08)

WHO will continue its collaboration in activities related to the safety of pesticides.

We recognize the need for carrying out an adequate health programme whenever the use of pesticides is introduced on a large scale. Such a programme should include the development of toxicological services to evaluate the effects of exposure to pesticides on workers and the general population and health education campaigns in order to minimize hazards.

WHO is promoting the development of laboratory field toxicological units to deal with the human health aspects related to pesticides.

For a number of years WHO has been operating a programme of laboratory research and operational studies aiming at:

- (a) Developing and evaluating new pesticides;
- (b) Determining optimal rates of application of pesticides which are safe with respect to occupational and consumer hazards; and
- (c) Developing and evaluating genetic and biological methods of control or eradication of pests.

This programme is carried out through a number of WHO international and regional reference laboratory centres and test field stations.

3. Page 102 - Food Industry (6.02)

We note that UNIDO plans to prepare background documentation on the "Prospects for industrial meat processing in developing countries - (6.02.10)"

WHO gives due attention to the protein problem, particularly in relation to the Green Revolution. There is need for more production of animal food as well as for nutrition education programmes for consumer selection and preparation of food.

4. Page 117 - Environmental engineering (15b.04)

UNIDO's programme in this domain is of great interest to WHO.

The planning of viable industrial enterprises involves a study of many of the same factors with which health authorities are concerned.

In WHO's long-term Environmental Health programme, joint activity with UNIDO has been foreseen to evolve guidelines for safe disposal of solid industrial wastes and for sanitary wastes recycling, including composting of municipal wastes. In this connexion it is planned to pay particular attention to certain solid waste problems of the industrialized countries which may in the near future have health significance in the developing countries.

In the large pre-investment studies of waste disposal systems for metropolitan areas which have been conducted with WHO's assistance, the present and future impact of industrial wastes has been specifically dealt with.

A WHO International Reference Centre of Wastes Disposal was established in 1968 at the Federal Institute for Water Supply, Sewerage Purification and Water Pollution Control in Zurich. The Centre has established technical contact with 40 collaborating institutions throughout the World. Information on wastes management, including industrial wastes treatment processes and research, is distributed through the Centre to the collaborating institutions and through WHO to its Member States.

ANNEX II

COMMENTS BY THE UNIDO SECRETARIAT ON THE UNCTAD AND ECA OBSERVATIONS

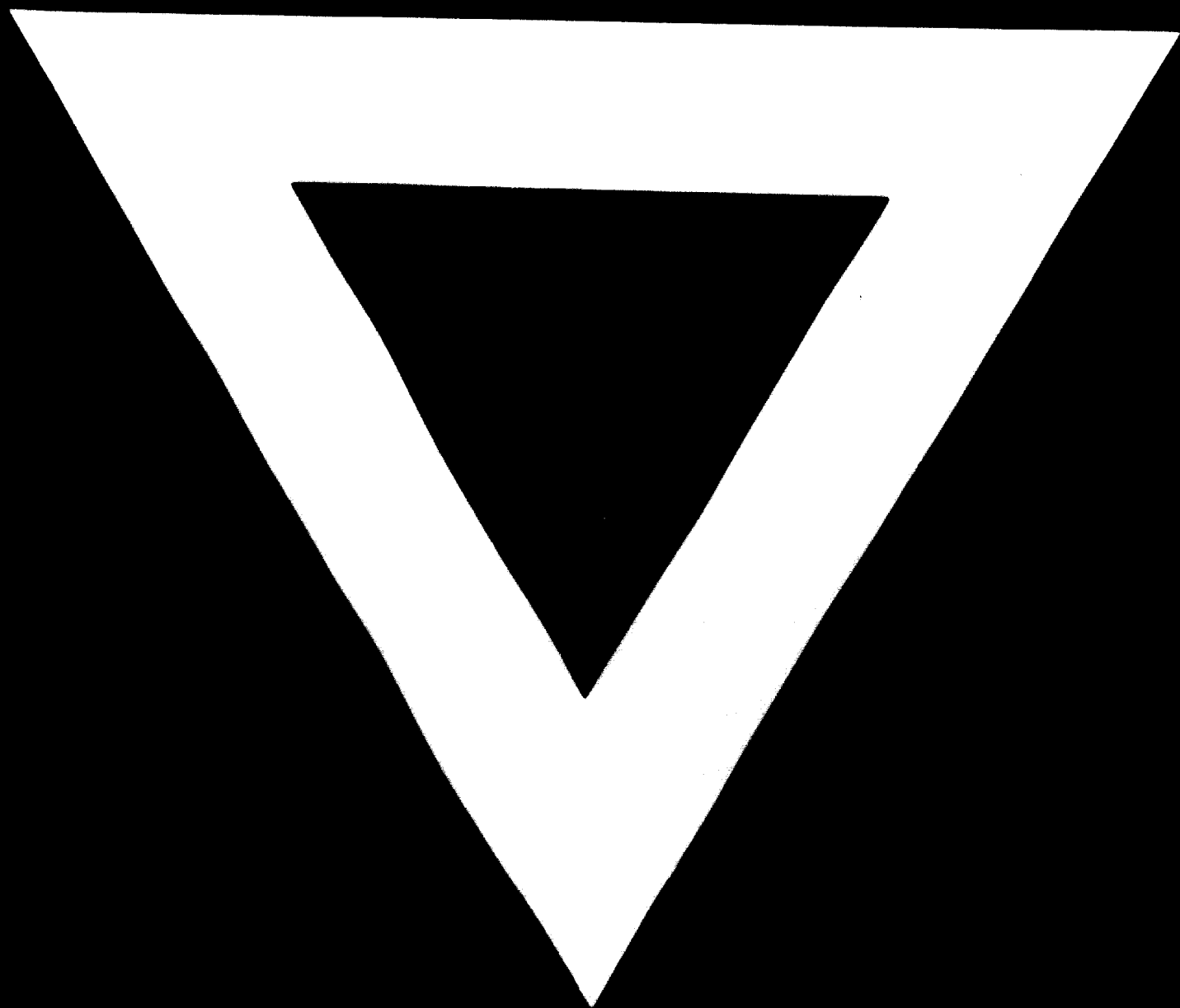
United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

1. UNIDO's programme of work in the field of international subcontracting arrangements (ID/B/80/Add.3, paras. 205-212) was established during November/December 1970. This programme was further discussed in the fifth meeting of the Working Group of representatives of UNIDO and UNCTAD in March 1971 and arrangements for co-operation between the two organizations were evolved. A reference to the arrangements for co-operation between UNIDO and UNCTAD could therefore not be included in the programme document ID/B/80/Add.3.

Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)

2. While UNIDO's Programme of Work for 1972, Report of Activities in 1970 and Updating of 1971 Programme (ID/B/80 and ID/B/80/Add.1-4) provides a substantive account of UNIDO's programmes, the document on Role of UNIDO in Co-ordination of Activities in Industrial Development (ID/B/83) deals specifically with the nature of co-operation between UNIDO and other United Nations organizations in regard to specific projects. Consequently, reference to co-operation with ECA in 1971 and 1972 on the projects mentioned by ECA is contained in table 2 (pp. 24-33) of ID/B/83.

3. ECA refers to its four proposals to be financed by UNDP/TA to the effect that they are not listed in Part Three of UNIDO's work programme. These proposals could not be listed in the programme document as they were received after the programme had been finalized. Moreover, UNIDO could not include these projects for UNDP/TA financing in 1971 in view of the fact that the programme in industry was already submitted to UNDP in September 1970 and that the programme was already oversubscribed. This has been already communicated to ECA. UNIDO is examining the ECA proposals for inclusion in its submission for 1972 UNDP/TA financing.



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