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INFORMAL CONSULTATION ON THE HIGH-LEVEL
REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING FOR THE FOURTH
WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN
TEXT:

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LABOR DEPT FOR WOMEN'S BUREAU - JEAN M. CURTIS
E.O. 12356: N/A
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1. PLEASE SEE ACTION REQUEST IN PARA 11.

SUMMARYHXINTRODUCTION
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2. ECE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY PASTIZZI-FERENCIC ON JANUARY 13 CONVENED AN INFORMAL CONSULTATIVE MEETING ON THE PREPARATIONS FOR THE HIGH-LEVEL REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING FOR THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN TO BE HELD IN BEIJING IN 1995. THE ECE-SPONSORED PREPARATORY MEETING WILL BE HELD OCTOBER 17-21, 1994 AT THE VIENNA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CENTER. NGO AND ECE MISSION REPS HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS WITH THE SECRETARIAT AN INITIAL DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE VIENNA MEETING AND AGREED TO MEET AGAIN, BEFORE THE END OF JANUARY, TO DISCUSS PREPARATIONS. TWO GENERAL CONCLUSIONS WERE DRAWN FROM THE DISCUSSIONS. FIRST, THAT AN EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE TO STREAMLINE THE AGENDA. SECONDLY, THAT THE VIENNA MEETING SHOULD FOCUS ON WOMEN IN THE ECONOMY, ESEPCIALLY IN THE TRANSITION COUNTRIES.
2. A FOLLOW-UP CONSULTATION WILL BE SCHEDULED BEFORE JANUARY 31. FOR THAT CONSULTATION, THE DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED ASAP TO ADVISE THE MISSION OF (A) THE STATUS OF U.S. PREPARATIONS FOR THE VIENNA AND BEIJING MEETINGS; (B) THE STATUS OF A POTENTIAL USG (A.I.D.)

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION TO ECE FOR THE PREPARATION FOR THE VIENNA MEETING; AND (C) ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR THE AGENDA OR OTHER PREPARATORY WORK TO BE DONE ECE FOR THE VIENNA MEETING.

DRAFT AGENDA FOR VIENNA

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3. THE TEXT OF THE DRAFT AGENDA AND OTHER DOCUMENTATION FROM ECE HAS BEEN SENT TO IO/E (DELAURENTIS). THE FOLLOWING IS THE DRAFT AGENDA DISCUSSED ON JANUARY 13:

ITEM 1: OPENING OF MEETING.

ITEM 2: ELECTION OF BUREAU. CHAIRPERSON, THREE VICE-CHAIRS, RAPPORTEUR, TWO CHAIRPERSONS OF THE OPEN-ENDED DRAFTING GROUP.

ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF AGENDA.

ITEM 4: REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF THE NAIROBI FORWARD LOOKING STRATEGIES (1985).

ITEM 5: OVERVIEW OF THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN ECONOMY OF THE ECE REGION.

ITEM 6: STATISTICS AND DATA ON WOMEN.

ITEM 7: EMPLOYMENT OF WOMEN. OCCUPATIONAL DISTRIBUTION BY SECTORS OF EMPLOYMENT, WAGE AND EARNINGS DIFFERENTIALS, LABOR RELATED ISSUES.

ITEM 8: ROLE OF WOMEN IN THE TRANSITION PROCESS. ROLE OF AND CONSEQUENCES FOR WOMEN IN TRANSITION ECONOMY COUNTRIES.

ITEM 9: PROMOTING WOMEN'S ENTREPRENEURSHIP. ROLE OF MEDIUM, SMALL AND MIRCO ENTERPRISES FOR CREATING EMPLOYMENT.

ITEM 10: WOMEN'S ROLE IN STRATEGIES FOR ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT. REVIEW OF RELEVANT PARTS OF AGENDA 21.

ITEM 11: WOMEN IN PUBLIC LIFE AND GOVERNANCE.

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ITEM 12: REGIONAL INPUTS INTO THE PLATFORM FOR ACTION AND REGIONAL PLAN OF ACTION ON WOMEN AND ECONOMY.

ITEM 13: ADOPTION OF THE REPORT.

ITEM 14: CLOSING OF THE MEETING.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

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4. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY BERTHELOT NOTED THAT IT IS DISCOURAGING THAT SO FEW NATIONAL PREPARATORY COMMITTEES HAVE BEEN ORGANIZED FOR THE 1995 BEIJING MEETING. ECE HAS RECEIVED COMMITMENTS FROM MEMBER STATES OF SOME $120,000 TO PREPARE FOR VIENNA, OF WHICH $15,000 IS COUNTED AS A COMMITMENT FROM THE U.S. A TOTAL OF $25,000 HAS BEEN RECEIVED TO DATE. THE UN GENERAL BUDGET WILL CONTRIBUTE $20,000 BUT FURTHER FUNDING IS NEEDED. DOCUMENTATION FOR THE VIENNA MEETING NEEDS TO

BE READY TO BE SENT FOR TRANSLATION, PRINTING, AND DISTRIBUTION BY MAY 1994, AT THE LATEST. THE AD HOC INFORMAL MEETING OF THE ECE COMMISSION, WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE ON JANUARY 31, WILL TRY TO AGREE ON THE "FINAL" DRAFT AGENDA FOR VIENNA.

5. PASTIZZI-FERENCIC NOTED THAT AGENDA ITEM 12 REQUIRES THE PRODUCTION OF TWO SERIOUS DOCUMENTS, WHICH WILL NEED CONSIDERABLE ADVANCE PREPARATION, IN ADDITION TO EIGHT SUBSTANTIVE DOCUMENTS WHICH THE ECE SECRETARIAT WOULD HAVE TO PRODUCE. AT PRESENT, THERE IS A BIG GAP IN INFORMATION BETWEEN THE ECE SECRETARIAT AND THE SITUATION AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL IN THE MEMBER STATES, WHICH WILL HAVE TO BE BRIDGED IN PREPARING THE DOCUMENTATION. ONLY SOME 22 NATIONAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEES HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED TO BEGIN TO PREPARE FOR BEIJING, SHE REPORTED.

6. A REPRESENTATIVE OF NGO'S ANNOUNCED THE FORMATION OF AN NGO ECE WORKING GROUP TO INTERFACE WITH THE ECE SECRETARIAT AND THE MEMBER STATES ON PREPARATIONS FOR THE PREPARATORY MEETING.

7. GREECE, ON BEHALF OF THE EUROPEAN UNION, URGED CLOSE COOPERATION WITH OTHER RELEVANT PARTS OF THE UN AND NOTED THAT THE EU DID NOT YET(##) TO EASTERN EUROPEAN PARTICIPATION IN THE VIENNA MEETING AND WOULD MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO THAT

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END. IT ASKED ECE TO LOOK INTO PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS WHICH COULD BE DEVELOPED IN THE PROCESS AND ALSO THAT THE ECE SHOULD COORDINATE CLOSELY WITH THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE, WHICH IS ORGANIZING ITS OWN MEETING IN FEBRUARY 1995, FOCUSING ON HUMAN RIGHTS. THE ECE SHOULD FOCUS ON ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT ISSUES, SAID THE UK REP. AMONG THE SUGGESTIONS MADE WERE A FOCUS IN ITEM 11 ON "GETTING WOMEN TO THE TOP OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY."

ACTION REQUESTED

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12. THE NEXT CONSULTATION WILL BE SCHEDULED ON THIS SUBJECT BEFORE JANUARY 31. MISSION WOULD BE GRATEFUL TO RECEIVE ASAP (A) BRIEF INFORMATION ON THE STATUS OF U.S. PREPARATIONS FOR VIENNA AND BEIJING; (B) THE STATUS OF A POTENTIAL U.S. FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION FOR VIENNA PREPARATIONS (MRS. PASTIZZI-FERENCIC UNDERSTANDS THAT $15,000 WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE); AND (C) SUGGESTIONS FOR THE DRAFT AGENDA OR OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT TO PREPARATIONS FOR THE VIENNA MEETING.

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TEXT:

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SUBJECT: THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMISSION FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC (ESCAP) FIFTIETH SESSION IN NEW DELHI, APRIL 5-13, 1994.
1. U.S. PERMREP TO THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMISSION FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC (ESCAP) RECEIVED A LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE FROM RAFEEUDDIN AHMED, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF ESCAP, INVITING THE U.S. TO ATTEND THE FIFTIETH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION IN NEW DELHI, APRIL 5-13, 1994.
2. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE AN INDICATION OF WASHINGTON THINKING ON COMPOSITION OF THE USDEL TO THIS SESSION.
3. TEXT OF LETTER AND AGENDA FOLLOWS.
BEGIN TEXT:
24 DECEMBER, 1993
DEAR SIR,

I HAVE THE HONOUR TO INFORM YOU THAT THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMISSION FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC WILL HOLD ITS FIFTIETH SESSION AT NEW DELHI FROM 5 TO 13 APRIL 1994. IT MAY BE RECALLED THAT THE COMMISSION, AT ITS FORTY-NINTH SESSION, DECIDED TO ACCEPT THE INVITATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TO HOLD THE FIFTIETH SESSION AT NEW DELHI. SUBSEQUENTLY, THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL ENDORSED THAT DECISION.

I HAVE THE HONOUR TO INVITE YOUR GOVERNMENT TO BE PRESENTED AT THE SESSION.

THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA, DRAWN UP UNDER RULE 4 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE COMMISSION, IS ATTACHED. THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES DESIGNATED BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION (ACPR) HAS BEEN

CONSULTED IN THE PREPARATION OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS, THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE FORTY-NINTH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION WAS CONSULTED ON THE AGENDA AND HAS CONCURRED WITH IT. THE ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA IS BEING FORWARDED UNDER SEPARATE COVER.

I SHOULD LIKE TO DRAW YOU ATTENTION, IN PARTICULAR, TO ITEM 5 OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA, UNDER WHICH THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SURVEY OF ASIA AND THE PACIFIC 1993 WILL SERVE AS THE MAIN BACKGROUND DOCUMENT FOR THE GENERAL POLICY DEBATE. YOU MAY RECALL THAT THE COMMISSION, AT ITS FORTY-NINTH SESSION, ENDORSED THE CHOICE OF "INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT AS KEY TO ECONOMIC COOPERATION" AS THE THEME TOPIC FOR ITS FIFTIETH SESSION. THIS MATTER WILL BE DEALT WITH UNDER AGENDA ITEM 5(B).

UNDER ITEMS 6 THROUGH 10, THE COMMISSION WILL CONSIDER, INTER ALIA, THE REGIONAL PREPARATIONS FOR THE FORTHCOMING MINISTERIAL CONFERENCES IN THE FIELDS OF SPACE APPLICATIONS, SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT; THE REPORT ON THE RECENTLY-CONVENED MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE ON URBANIZATION IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC, AND THE REPORTS OF SUBSIDIARY BODIES. THE COMMISSION WILL ALSO CONSIDER IMPORTANT ISSUES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ASIAN AND PACIFIC DECADE OF DISABLED PERSONS, 1993-2002;

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FOLLOW-UP OF THE BALI DECLARATION ON POPULATION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT ADOPTED AT THE FOURTH ASIAN AND PACIFIC POPULATION CONFERENCE IN AUGUST 1992; REVIEW AND REFINEMENT OF THE JAKARTA PLAN OF ACTION ON HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT IN THE ESCAP REGION; ACTIVITIES IN SUPPORT OF THE DISADVANTAGED ECONOMIES IN TRANSITION, LEAST DEVELOPED, AND PACIFIC ISLAND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, AND ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF COMMISSION RESOLUTION 48/2 ON RESTRUCTURING THE CONFERENCE STRUCTURE OF THE COMMISSION, A REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THAT RESOLUTION WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMISSION FOR ITS CONSIDERATION. THIS MATTER WILL BE TAKEN UP UNDER ITEM 12 OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA.

I SHOULD ALSO LIKE TO DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO ITEM 13, UNDER WHICH THE COMMISSION WILL CONSIDER, INTER ALIA, THE INITIATIVES TAKEN BY ESCAP AND RESPONSES MADE BY OTHER ORGANIZATIONS/INSTITUTIONS IN THE REGION TO ENHANCE AND STRENGTHEN THEIR MUTUAL COOPERATION.

UNDER ITEM 16, A REPORT ON THE TECHNICAL COOPERATION ACTIVITIES OF ESCAP WHICH SETS OUT THE

ESTIMATED REQUIREMENTS FOR EXTRABUDGETARY RESOURCES IN 1994 WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMISSION FOR ITS CONSIDERATION. THESE ACTIVITIES ARE BEING IMPLEMENTED ON THE BASIS OF THE GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS OF MEMBERS AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS AS WELL AS OTHER BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL DONORS. AS IN THE PAST, MEMBERS AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS WILL BE EXPECTED TO ANNOUNCE THEIR INTENDED CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PROGRAMME OF WORK OF THE SECRETARIAT AND THE REGIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN 1994. IT IS OUR EARNEST HOPE AND EXPECTATION THAT MEMBERS AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS WILL COME FORWARD WITH GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO REINFORCE THE ROLE OF ESCAP AS A VIABLE AND EFFECTIVE INSTITUTION IN THE SERVICE OF ITS MEMBERSHIP.

A COPY OF THE GUIDELINES FOR THE CONDUCT OF MEETINGS IS ENCLOSED FOR YOUR INFORMATION. (NOTE: BEING POUCHED.)

I SHOULD BE MOST GRATEFUL IF YOUR GOVERNMENT WOULD COMMUNICATE TO ME AT AN EARLY DATE THE NAMES AND DESIGNATIONS OF THE MEMBERS OF ITS DELEGATION. SUCH ADVANCE INFORMATION WILL HELP TO FACILITATE ENTRY FORMALITIES INTO INDIA AS WELL AS ARRANGEMENTS FOR HOTEL ACCOMMODATION IN NEW DELHI.

ACCEPT, SIR, THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

RAFEEUDDIN AHMED
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. OPENING OF THE SESSION.
2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS.
3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA.
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5. POLICY DEBATE:

(A) RECENT ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENTS IN THE ESCAP REGION AND THEIR IMPACT;

(B) INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT AS KEY TO ECONOMIC GROWTH AND REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION.

6. REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION:

A) REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION, THIRD SESSION;

(B) IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ACTION PROGRAMME FOR REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION IN TRADE AND INVESTMENT;

(C) ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES;

(D) REPORT ON THE COMMISSION'S ACTIVITIES FOR DISADVANTAGED ECONOMIES IN TRANSITION;

(E) IMPLEMENTATION OF PARAGRAPH 4 OF COMMISSION REGULATION 49/3 ON THE TEHRAN DECLARATION ON STRENGTHENING REGIONAL COOPERATION FOR TECHNOLOGY-LED INDUSTRIALIZATION IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC.

7. ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT:
(A) REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, FIRST SESSION, AND ITS FOLLOW-UP;
(B) IMPLEMENTATION OF AGENDA 21 IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC.
(C) PREPARATIONS FOR THE MINISTERIAL-LEVEL MEETING ON SPACE APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT IN THE ESCAP REGION.
8. POVERTY ALLEVIATION THROUGH ECONOMIC GROWTH AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:
(A) REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON POVERTY ALLEVIATION THROUGH ECONOMIC GROWTH AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT, FIRST SESSION, AND ITS FOLLOW-UP;
(B) REPORT ON THE MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE ON URBANIZATION IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC, AND ITS FOLLOW-UP;
(C) REGIONAL PREPARATIONS FOR THE WORLD SUMMIT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:
(D) REGIONAL PREPARATIONS FOR THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN: ACTION FOR EQUALITY, DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE;
(E) PROGRESS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ASIAN AND PACIFIC DECADE OF DISABLED PERSONS, 1993-2002;
(F) REVIEW AND REFINEMENT OF THE JAKARTA PLAN OF ACTION ON HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT IN THE ESCAP REGION;
(G) FOLLOW-UP OF THE BALI DECLARATION ON POPULATION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES: REGIONAL PREPARATIONS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT.
9. TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS: REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS, FIRST
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10. LEAST DEVELOPED, LAND-LOCKED AND ISLAND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES:
(A) REPORT OF THE SPECIAL BODY ON PACIFIC ISLAND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, SECOND SESSION, AND ITS FOLLOW-UP;
(B) IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMISSION RESOLUTION 49/8 ON STRENGTHENING ASSISTANCE TO LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES.
11. ESCAP REGIONAL INSTITUTIONS ANS SELECTED REGIONAL PROJECTS:
(A) ASIAN AND PACIFIC CENTRE FOR TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY;
(B) STATISTICAL INSTITUTE FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC;
(C) REGIONAL COORDINATION CENTRE FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OF COARSE GRAINS, PULSES, ROOTS AND TUBER

CROPS IN THE HUMID TROPICS OF ASIA AND THE PACIFIC;
(D) REGIONAL NETWORK FOR AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY.
12. RESTRUCTURING AND REVITALIZATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL FIELDS: IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMISSION RESOLUTION 48/2 ON RESTRUCTURING THE CONFERENCE STRUCTURE OF THE COMMISSION.
13. INTER-ORGANIZATIONAL COOPERATION:
(A) COOPERATION BETWEEN ESCAP AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS IN THE PROMOTION OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE REGION;
(B) STRENGTHENING THE ROLE OF ESCAP IN THE COORDINATION OF REGIONAL OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES: IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMISSION RESOLUTION 49/10.
14. REPORTS OF REGIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL BODIES.
15. PROGRAMME PLANNING.
(A) PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1994-1995,AS ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND PROPOSED PROGRAMME CHANGES;
(B) SECOND REVISION OF THE MEDIUM-TERM PLAN FOR THE PERIOD 1992-1997;
(C) ISSUES RELEVANT TO AND RESOURCES FOR THE TECHNICAL COOPERATION ACTIVITIES OF ESCAP.
16. ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENDED CONTRIBUTIONS.
17. ACTIVITIES OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES DESIGNATED BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION.
18. DATE, VENUE AND ANY OTHER SUBJECT PERTAINING TO THE FIFTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE COMMISSION.
19. OTHER MATTERS.
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SUMMARY

1. SUMMARY. THE INTER-SESSIONAL WORKING GROUP OF THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (CSW) MET IN NEW YORK JANUARY LU-14, 1994 TO FURTHER DEVELOP THE STRUCTURE OF THE PLATFORM FOR ACTION WHICH WILL BE THE FINAL DOCUMENT TO EMERGE FROM THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN TO BE HELQ IN BEIJING IN SEPTEMBER 1995. INTEREST WAS HIGH WITH 39 CSW MEMBER STATES AND 43 ADDITIONAL UN MEMBER STATES IN ATTENDANCE ALONG WITH NUMEROUS NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS AS OBSERVERS. THE WORKING GROUP FOCUSED ON INNOVATIVE IDEAS AND THE STRUCTURE AND FRAMEWORK OF THE PLATFORM IN PREPARATION FOR THE 38TH SESSION OF THE CSW (MARCH 1994) AND THE UPCOMING REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETINGS FOR THE WORLD CONFERENCE. BUILDING ON THE PREVIOUS THEMES OF EQUALITY, DEVELOPMENT, AND PEACE, AND TAKING INTO ACCOUNT GLOBAL CHANGES SINCE 1985, THE WORKING GROUP ADDED EMPHASIS IN THE PLATFORM ON WOMEN'S HUMAN RIGHTS, EDUCATION, VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, AND POWER SHARING. END SUMMARY.

2. THE INTER-SESSIONAL WORKING GROUP OF THE CSW MET IN NEW YORK JANUARY 10-14, 1994, TO ELABORATE AND FURTHER DEVELOP THE STRUCTURE AND CONTENT OF THE PLATFORM FOR ACTION. THE CSW HAD PROVIDED INITIAL GUIDELINES FOR A PLATFORM IN RESOLUTION 35/4 OF MARCH 1991, DECIDING THAT THE PLATFORM SHOULD CONSIST OF A LIMITED NUMBER OF

ISSUES REPRESENTING FUNDAMENTAL OBSTACLES TO THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE MAJORITY OF WOMEN AND A SET OF STATED GOALS DESIGNED TO ACCELERATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 1985 NAIROBI FORWARD-LOOKING STRATEGIES FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN. IN MARCH 1992, THE CSW REQUESTED THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO SUBMIT A FIRST DRAFT OF THE PLATFORM FOR ITS CONSIDERATION AT ITS 37TH (1993) SESSION. AT THE 37TH SESSION, AFTER CONSIDERING THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S REPORT, THE CSW PROPOSED A STRUCTURE FOR THE PLATFORM AND DECIDED TO CONVENE THIS INTER-SESSLONAL WORKING GROUP.

3. THE WORKING GROUP WAS OPEN TO ALL MEMBER STATES OF THE CSW, AS WELL AS TO OBSERVER STATES. THE SESSION WAS WELL ATTENDED BY 39 CSW MEMBER STATES, AS WELL AS 43 OBSERVER STATES AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (NGOS). MANY COUNTRIES FROM THE WESTERN EUROPEAN AND OTHER GROUP (WEOG) WERE ACTIVE IN THE DISCUSSIONS, LNCLUDING THE U.S., CANADA, NORWAY, AUSTRALIA, GERMANY, THE UNITED KLNGDOM, AUSTRIA, FINLAND, SWEDEN, NEW ZEALAND, AND THE NETHERLANDS. AFRICAN DELEGATIONS ALSO PLAYED AN ACTLVE ROLE, INCLUDING SENEGAL, UGANDA, NAMIBIA, SIERRA LEONE, AND COTE D'IVOIRE. THE LATINS WERE APPARENT PRLMARILY THROUGH THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM MEXICO WHO WAS COORDINATOR OF THE INFORMAL GROUP AND THROUGH THE INTERVENTIONS OF VENEZUELA AND THE BAHAMAS. THE ASIANS CONSISTENTLY PARTICIPATED, PRIMARILY THE PHILIPPINES, INDONESIA, CHINA, MALAYSIA, AND INDIA.

ORGANIZATION OF WORK

4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND ORGANIZATION OF WORK. THE COTE D'IVOIRE REPRESENTATIVE WAS ELECTED CHAIRPERSON OF THE WORKING GROUP; THE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE NETHERLANDS, PHILIPPINES, AND MEXICO AS VICE-CHAIRS; AND THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM BULGARIA AS RAPPORTEUR. THE SECRETARIAT PREPARED AND DISTRIBUTED JUST PRIOR TO THE OPENING OF THE SESSION A CONFERENCE ROOM PAPER (CRP) ENTITLED "DRAFT OUTLINE FOR THE PLATFORM FOR ACTION OF THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN" TO FACILITATE THE GROUP'S WORK. THIS CRP PROVOKED MANY COMMENTS FROM DELEGATIONS THROUGHOUT THE WEEK. MANY DELEGATIONS WERE CONCERNED THAT THE CRP DIFFERED FROM THE DECISIONS OF THE CSW AT ITS 37TH SESSION, TAKEN IN RESOLUTION 37/7. HOWEVER, IT WAS DECIDED TO WORK F
ROM THE CONFERENCE ROOM
PAPER.

INFORMAL WORKING GROUP

5. STARTING WITH THE AFTERNOON SESSION TUESDAY, THE WORKING GROUP MET IN AN INFORMAL WORKING GROUP UNDER THE COORDINATION OF THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM MEXICO.

6. THE CONFERENCE ROOM PAPER WAS DIVIDED INTO FIVE SECTIONS: (1) STATEMENT OF MISSION, (2) STRATEGIC DIAGNOSIS OF CRITICAL AREAS OF CONCERN, (3) STRATEGIC GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND ACTIONS TO DEAL WITH THE CRITICAL AREAS OF CONCERN, (4) FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS, AND (5) INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR MONITORING THE PLATFORM

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FOR ACTION. THE INTER-SESSIONAL MEETING REVIEWED AND MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE FIRST THREE SECTIONS.

-- THAT THE THEMES OF THE UN DECADE FOR WOMEN - "EQUALITY, DEVELOPMENT, AND PEACE" SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN AN INTRODUCTORY SECTION IN THE PLATFORM, BUT, SINCE BOTH WORLD EVENTS AND PROGRESS BY WOMEN HAS BEEN MADE IN THE INTERVENING TEN YEARS, THE CRITICAL AREAS OF CONCERN SHOULD NOT BE CATEGORIZED UNDER THESE OLD THEMES.

-- THAT THE PLATFORM SHOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE WORK OF OTHER WORLD CONFERENCES, E.G. THE CONFERENCE ON ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT, THE WORLD CONFERENCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS, THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT, AND THE WORLD SUMMIT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT.

-- THAT WOMEN SHOULD NOT BE DEPICTED AS VICTIMS OR AS PASSIVE BENEFICIARIES, RATHER THE PLATFORM SHOULD REFLECT WOMEN AS ACTORS FOR CHANGE.

-- THAT A MAJOR FOCUS BE ON POWER SHARING IN THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SPHERES.

-- THAT THE PLATFORM SHOULD EMPHASIZE COOPERATIVE EFFORTS OF GOVERNMENTS AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS.

THAT THE PLATFORM SHOULD CONTAIN A SECTION ON WOMEN'S HUMAN RIGHTS, BUILDING ON THE WORLD CONFERENCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS, AND THAT THE CSW MAY WANT TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF A DECLARATION ON ACHIEVING EQUALITY BY THE 21ST CENTURY.

-- THAT THE PLATFORM SHOULD EMPHASIZE THAT EQUALITY OF WOMEN BEGINS IN THE FAMILY.

-- THAT THE MASS MEDIA SHOULD BE MOBILIZED TO ADVANCE THE STATUS OF WOMEN.

-- THAT QUANTITATIVE TARGETS ARE IN SOME CASES MEANINGLESS, GIVEN THE WIDE RANGE OF PROGRESS TO BE ACHIEVED BY VARIOUS MEMBER STATES AND THE VARIETY OF POLITICAL SYSTEMS, ECONOMIC SITUATIONS, AND DIFFERENT LEVELS OF DEVELOPMENT.

-- THAT THE PLATFORM SHOULD ADDRESS IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES, PARTICULARLY THE CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN; REFUGEE, MIGRANT, AND DISPLACED WOMEN; PORNOGRAPHY AND SEXUAL EXPLOITATION; RECONCILIATION OF WORK AND FAMILY LIFE; REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS; AND THE EFFECTS ON WOMEN OF THE GLOBAL ECONOMIC SITUATION AND STRUCTURAL ADJUSTMENT PROGRAMS.

7. DELEGATIONS WERE ASKED TO SUBMIT THEIR SUGGESTIONS IN WRITING. THE UNITED STATES DELEGATION PROVIDED THE SECRETARIAT WITH THE FOLLOWING:

WRITTEN COMMENTS OF THE UNITED STATES DELEGATION

BEGIN QUOTE:

BUILDING ON THE PROGRESS MADE SINCE 1975 AVD THE UNITED NATIONS DECADE FOR WOMEN, THE UNITED STATES MAKES THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS:

WHILE WORKING WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE FORWARD-LOOKING STRATEGIES, AS WELL AS THE ACTIONS OF

THE CSW TO DATE, THE CRITICAL AREAS OF CONCERN CAN BE EASILY DIVIDED INTO THE THREE THEMES OF EQUALITY, DEVELOPMENT, AND PEACE. IT CAN BE FURTHER SUGGESTED THAT THESE THEMES HAVE BEEN AGREED UPON AS INTER-RELATED, THE COMBINATION HAVING A SYNERGISTIC EFFECT. FOR EXAMPLE, WITH INCREASED EDUCATION AND BETTER HEALTH, WOMEN CAN PARTICIPATE EQUALLY IN SHARING POWER IN BOTH THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC FIELDS, AND INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT (EDUCATION AND HEALTH) PROMOTES ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT INDIVIDUALLY AND FOR THE NATION. THE LEGAL RIGHT TO BE SEEN AND TO FUNCTION AS EQUAL CITIZENS TIES IN WITH ALL THREE THEMES.
FIVE SUGGESTIONS COULD BE MADE IN ORDER TO PROMOTE CONCISENESS:
1. THAT THE PREAMBLE TO THE PLATFORM ASSERT THIS SYNERGISTIC EFFECT OR THE INTER-RELATEDNESS OF THE ISSUES AND STRATEGIES AND ALSO THE INTER-RELATEDNESS OF
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GOVERNMEN
TS AND NGOS. THIS WOULD PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A GOOD STATEMENT ON THE ROLES OF BOTH IN CREATING PEACEFUL, CIVIL SOCIETIES BASED ON RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES. THERE IS GOOD LANGUAGE IN THE VLENNA DECLARATION AND PROGRAM OF ACTION (APPX. PARA. 25 AND SURROUNDING PARAGRAPHS) WHICH COULD BE ADAPTED.
2. THAT WHEN A TOPIC IS COVERED UNDER ONE HEADING IT NOT BE REPEATED UNDER ANOTHER, BUT IF THE ISSUE IS IMPORTANT UNDER A SECOND HEADING, THE EARLIER STATEMENT COULD BE REFERENCED AND THE IDEA EXPANDED, IF NECESSARY, UNDER THE SECOND REFERENCE. THIS WOULD REINFORCE THE SYNERGISTIC OR INTER-RELATEDNESS IDEA. IT COULD BE ARGUED THIS WOULD BE BOTH ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND (BY SAVING PAPER) AND COST EFFECTIVE (BY SAVING STAFF TIME, INCLUDING TRANSLATION COSTS).
3. THAT THE ACTION-ORIENTED STRATEGIES BE ADDRESSED FIRST TO NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS AND NGOS, WITH THE FINAL SECTION (V.) ADDRESSING RELEVANT STRATEGIES TO INTER-GOVERNMENTAL BODIES AND THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM AS WAS DONE IN 1975 IN THE WORLD PLAN OF ACTION.
4. THAT AFTER EACH LIST OF SUGGESTIONS FOR ACTION, A SHORT LIST OF INDICATORS OF PROGRESS COULD BE LISTED TO MAKE REVIEW AND APPRAISAL SIMPLER AND MORE SYSTEMATIC.
5. THAT THESE ACTION-ORIENTED STRATEGIES BE BASED ON SUCCESSFUL EXPERIENCES, ESPECIALLY THOSE UNDERTAKEN SINCE 1975 AND ON RECENT RESEARCH ON THE SUBJECT MATTER.
FOR EXAMPLE:
EQUALITY
GOAL OR CRITICAL AREA OF CONCERN: SHARING POWER AND DECISION-MAKING IN ALL ASPECTS OF LIFE, INCLUDING PRIVATE, PUBLIC, POLITICAL, AND ECONOMIC.
STRATEGIES (ADDRESSED PRIMARILY TO GOVERNMENTS AND NGOS)

- DESIGN PROJECTS, PROGRAMS, AND CAMPAIGNS TO:
- INFORM WOMEN OF THEIR POLITICAL RIGHTS;
- ENCOURAGE CIVIC UNDERSTANDING AND KNOWLEDGE OF THE POLITICAL PROCESS OF THE COUNTRY AND PROMOTE THE CONCEPT OF CITIZENSHIP AMONG WOMEN;
- IDENTIFY THOSE AREAS OF PUBLIC LIFE WHERE WOMEN ARE NOT EQUALLY REPRESENTED AND ASSESS THE CONSTRAINTS TO THEIR PARTICIPATION;
- ENCOURAGE AND ASSIST WOMEN IN DEVELOPING THE SKILLS AND ABILITIES AND FINDING THE TIME TO PARTICIPATE AT ALL LEVELS AND IN ALL FORMS OF PUBLIC LIFE FROM THE LOCAL TO THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL;
- PROMOTE CIVIC, LEGAL, AND HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION IN ALL FORMAL AND NON-FORMAL EDUCATION SYSTEMS FROM THE ELEMENTARY TO HIGHER EDUCATION LEVELS;
- DEVELOP, COLLECT, AND DISSEMINATE INFORMATION ON WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP OVER TIME (WOMEN'S HISTORY) AND INTRODUCE THE RESULTS INTO SCHOOL CURRICULA AND POPULAR MEDIA;
- DEVELOP COLLABORATIVE MECHANISMS FOR POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND NATIONAL STRATEGIES TO ELIMINATE DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRL CHILDREN.
- LAUNCH INFORMATION AND EDUCATION CAMPAIGNS TO CHANGE PUBLIC PERCEPTION OF THE VALUE OF THE GIRL CHILD, GENERATE SOCIAL AWARENESS OF THE SHORT AND LONG TERM CONSEQUENCES OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST GIRLS, AND ESTABLISH INNOVATIVE MECHANISMS FOR ENCOURAGING PROTECTION OF AND RESPECT FOR THE RIGHTS OF THE GIRL CHILD, WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON HER RIGHT TO EDUCATION.
INDICATORS (COMPARE DATA FOR 1995 WITH THE YEAR 2000 AND MEASURE WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION IN COMPARISON WITH MEN'S FOR BOTH YEARS):
- NUMBER OF WOMEN CANDIDATES FOR PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS;
- NUMBER OF WOMEN IN PARLIAMENT;
- NUMBER OF WOMEN IN STATE AND LOCAL OFFICES;
- NUMBER OF WOMEN IN THE TOP FOUR DECISION-MAKING LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT;
- NUMBER OF WOMEN IN POLICY-MAKING POSITIONS IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION;
- NUMBER OF WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP POSITIONS IN TRADE UNIONS;
- NUMBER OF WOMEN JUDGES;
- NUMBER OF WOMEN LAWYERS;
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- NUMBER OF GIRLS IN SCHOOL AT EACH LEVEL.
UNDER THE FINAL SECTION SPECIFIC UN AGENCIES OR INTER-GOVERNMENTAL BODIES, COULD BE DIRECTED TO SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES--FOR EXAMPLE, UNESCO ON WOMEN'S HISTORY AND PERHAPS CIVIC EDUCATION; THE CSW TO MAKE WOMEN'S POLITICAL PARTICIPATION IN PUBLIC LIFE A PRIORITY ITEM FOLLOWING 1995. AND, THE UN CAN MAKE SURE THAT WOMEN CONTINUE TO PLAY A PROMINENT ROLE AS THE UN APP

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ITS 5UTH ANNIVERSARY.
GOAL: MECHANISMS TO PROMOTE THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN.
STRATEGIES:
- IN ADDITION TO WOMEN'S BUREAUS OR NATIONAL MACHINERIES, COMMUNITY BASED MECHANISMS OR MACHINERIES COULD BE ESTABLISHED TO FOCUS ON (1) WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION IN PUBLIC LIFE; (2) EDUCATION OF GIRLS; AND (3) LEGAL LITERACY AND SERVICES.
- ANNUAL NATIONAL MEETINGS, SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS OR EVENTS INCLUDING THESE COMMUNITY BASED GROUPS BE HELD IN COLLABORATION WITH THE NATIONAL MACHINERY AND NETWORKS OF WOMEN'S COMMUNITY BASED AND NATIONAL NGOS BE STIMULATED;
- FORM OR FFCILITATE THE FORMATION OF NETWORKS OF WOMEN IN DEC1SION-MAKING POSITIONS IN GOVERNMENT AND IN NGOS WITH THE AIM OF ENCOURAGING AND ASSISTING IN THE PROJECTS, PROGRAMS AND CAMPAIGNS MENTIONED ABOVE.
GOAL: INCREASED AWARENESS OF AND COMMITMENT TO WOMEN'S LEGAL RIGHTS.
STRATEGIES:
- PROMOTE EQUALITY OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AND EDUCATION ABOUT LEGAL RIGHTS UNDER INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS AND NATIONAL LAW AND PROMOTE LEGAL LITERACY AT ALL LEVELS OF EDUCATION;
- SUPPORT LEGAL LITERACY PROGRAMS FOR WOMEN AND DEDICATE RESOURCES TO SUCH PROGRAMS AS PART OF EFFORTS TO PROMOTE INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS AND NORMS;
- PRODUCE AND DISSEMINATE INFORMATION ON WOMEN'&)3&-) 48 7,$34 8,534,-589,-) :9,;3,589, -,$,-589,-))-2 -,$ 9, #92 59 3/34:83 5#93 48! 8, 7,$345-,$-?)3 !94. -,$ .3$8-, AND IN ALL APPROPRIATE FORA, INCLUDING THE MASS MEDIA AND AGENCIES THAT PROVIDE SOCIAL SERVICES TO WOMEN;
- ENSURE THAT ALL PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR ENFORCING AND INTERPRETING THE LAW ARE AWARE OF, AND ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE RIGHTS SET OUT IN INTERNATIONAL INSTRUMENTS, CONSTITUTIONS AND THE LAW AS THEY PERTAIN TO WOMEN;
- PROMOTE GENDER SENSITIVITY, RESEARCH AND TRAINING AT ALL LEVELS OF LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SYSTEMS.
END QUOTE.
8. COMMENT. ON THE WHOLE, THIS WAS A GOOD INTER-SESSIONAL MEETING, ALTHOUGH THE SECRETARIAT'S REPORT WAS CRITICIZED BY MANY DELEGATIONS AT THE END OF THE MEETING FOR NOT ADEQUATELY REFLECTING THE INNOVATIVE SUGGESTIONS MADE BY DELEGATIONS DURING THE DISCUSSIONS. MANY REPRESENTATIVES FROM ALL REGIONS OF THE WORLD SUPPORTED OR REINFORCED U.S. POSITIONS. THE DEVELOPING/INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRY DICHOTOMY OF SOME PREVIOUS CSW SESSIONS WAS ABSENT.
ECE PREPARATORY MEETING
9. THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE IS THE CONVENER OF THE EUROPEAN/NORTH AMERICAN REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING FOR THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN, OCTOBER 17-21, IN VIENNA. ALL EUROPEAN STATES (INCLUDING EASTERN EUROPE), CANADA, AND THE UNITED STATES ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE. MANY EUROPEAN, CANADIAN, AND U.S. NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS AND

SOME GOVERNMENTS WERE UNHAPPY WITH THE TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR THE ECE PREPARATORY MEETING, FOCUSING ALMOST SOLELY ON ECONOMIC/EMPLOYMENT ISSUES. THE NGO CAUCUS THAT WAS MONITORING THE CSW INTER-SESSIONAL MEETING INTENDS TO PRESENT A LETTER TO EACH ECE MEMBER STATE URGING THAT WOMEN'S HUMAN RIGHTS AND OTHER ITEMS BE ADDED TO THE PREPCOM AGENDA. SOME WEOG GOVERNMENTS WERE DISMAYED
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THAT THE ECE INFORMAL CONSULTATIVE MEETING ON THE PREPARATIONS FOR THE PREPCOM WAS HELD DURING THIS CSW SESSION RATHER THAN WAITING FOR THE RESULTS OF THE SESSION.
NGO FORUM FOR WORLD CONFERENCE
LU. ARVONNE FRASER, HEAD OF THE USDEL TO THE CSW, CONVENED AN INFORMAL MEETING WITH SUPATRA MASDIT AND IRENE SANTIAGO, NEWLY APPOINTED CONVENER AND COORDINATOR, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THE NGO FORUM FOR THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF MOST DONOR COUNTRIES TO DISCUSS PLANS AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE NGO FORUMQ SURPRISINGLY, EUROPEAN DONOR COUNTRIES INDICATED THAT THEY EXPECT A LARGE NUMBER OF THEIR CITIZENS TO ATTEND THE NGO FORUM BECAUSE OF CHEAP AIR FARES TO BEIJING-
ONGOING PREPARATIONS
11. FINLAND HAS AGREED TO TAKE THE LEAD IN COORDINATING WEOG PREPARATIONS IN NEW YORK FOR THE 38TH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN, WHICH
WILL TAKE
PLACE MARCH 7-18.
UNIFEM
SHARON CAPELING-ALAKIJA, DIRECTOR OF THE UN DEVELOPMENT FUND FOR WOMEN (UNIFEM), HAS RESIGNED HER POST, EFFECTIVE MARCH 1994, TO TAKE UP A POSITION AS DIRECTOR OF STRATEGIC PLANNING IN UNDP. THE CHAIR AND THE WEOG MEMBER OF THE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE OF UNIFEM (MS. A. MISSOURI SHERMAN-PETERS OF THE BAHAMAS, AND ULLA LEHMANN NIELSEN OF DENMARK) MET WITH CAPELING-ALAKIJA AND URGED HER TO PUT PRESSURE ON THE ADMINISTRATOR OF UNDP TO SPEED UP THE PROCEDURES WITH REGARD TO IDENTIFYING A CANDIDATE TO SUCCEED HER AND ASKED THAT THE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE BE CONSULTED ABOUT THE JOB DESCRIPTION AND BE INVOLVED IN THE SELECTION OF A NEW DIRECTOR.
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1. A FOLLOW-UP CONSULTATION WITH THE ECE SECRETARIAT AND NGO'S ON THE OCTOBER 17-21 REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING IN VIENNA IS NOW SCHEDULED WITH THE ECE SECRETARIAT AND NGO'S FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 27TH.

2. ACTION REQUESTED: IN ADVANCE OF THE JANUARY 27 CONSULTATION, MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE REQUESTED IN PARA 12 OF REFTEL, INCLUDING:

(A) BRIEF INFORMATION ON THE STATUS OF U.S. PREPARATIONS FOR VIENNA;

(B) BRIEF INFORMATION ON THE STATUS OF A POTENTIAL U.S. FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION FOR VIENNA PREPARATIONS; AND

(C) ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR THE DRAFT AGENDA OR OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT TO PREPARATIONS FOR THE VIENNA MEETING. SPIEGEL
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REF: (A) LETTER FROM FORMIN MOCK DATED 11/26/93
1. THIS IS AN ACTION MESSAGE. PLEASE SEE PARAGRAPH 6.

BACKGROUND
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2. IN SEPTEMBER 199S, THE UNITED NATIONS WILL HOST A WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN IN BEIJIN6.
3. EACH OF THE FIVE UNITED NATIONS REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS WILL HOST A PREPARATORY MEETING, PROVIDING INPUTS TO THE PLATFORM FOR ACTION, THE FINAL DOCUMENT THAT WILL EMERGE FROM THE WORLD CONFERENCE.
4. AT ITS 48TH SESSION, IN APRIL 1993, THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE (ECE) DECIDED THAT IT WOULD CONVENE A REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING "PROVIDED THAT ADEQUATE FINANCING, IN CASH AND IN KIND, IS MADE AVAILABLE." AUSTRIA HAS OFFERED TO HOST THE MEETING, WHICH IS SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 17-21, 1994.
ISSUE
5. ON NOVEMBER 26, 1993, AUSTRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER ALOIS MOCK WROTE TO SECRETARY CHRISTOPHER ABOUT THE ECE PREPARATORY MEETING. TEXT OF LETTER IS AS FOLLOWS:
BEGIN TEXT OF LETTER FROM FOREIGN MINISTER MOCK:
IN RESOLUTION NO. 47/95 OF 16 DECEMBER 1992, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS ENDORSED THE DECISION OF ECOSOC 1992/272 OF 30 JULY 1992 TO HOLD THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN FROM 4-15 SEPTEMBER 1995 IN BEIJING. BY THE SAME DECISION THE ECOSOC HAS SUGGESTED THAT REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETINGS BE HELD IN DUE COURSE. WHILE MEMBER STATES OF ALL OTHER REGIONS HAVE ALREADY DECIDED ON THE VENUE AND THE DATE OF SUCH PREPARATORY MEETINGS, A SIMILAR DECISION BY MEMBER STATES OF THE

UNITED NATIONS EUROPEAN REGION (INCLUDING THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA) IS STILL TO BE TAKEN. THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE HAS, HOWEVER, ADOPTED DECISION K(48) ON THE UN/ECE CONTRIBUTION TO THE PREPARATORY WORK OF THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN, WHICH IN ITS OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 6 READS AS FOLLOWS:
"REQUESTS THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO ORGANIZE THE HIGH LEVEL REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING, PROVIDED THAT ADEQUATE FINANCING, IN CASH AND IN KIND, IS MADE AVAILABLE, BEARING IN MIND THAT RESOURCES MAY IN PART BE MADE AVAILABLE FROM THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO THE COMMISSION FOR ITS PREPARATIONS FOR THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN; AND INVITES ECE MEMBER STATES TO CONSIDER CONTRIBUTING ADEQUATE FUNDING TO THIS END, AND ASKS THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO REPORT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO THE AD HOC INFORMAL MEETING ON THE COMMISSION."
SO FAR ONLY NORWAY AND AUSTRIA HAVE PLEDGED CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE BUDGET OF THE HIGH LEVEL REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING.
I SHARE THE STRONG CONCERN OF THE FEDERAL MINISTER OF QOMEN'S AFFAIRS OF AUSTRIA, MRS. JOHANNA DOHNAL, NOT ONLY THAT UP TO NOW JUST TWO MEMBER STATES HAVE COMMITTED THEMSELVES TO CONTRIBUTE FINANCIALLY TO THE BUDGETARY REQUIREMENTS OF THE HI6H LEVEL MEETING, BUT ALSO THAT THE SUBSTANTIVE PREPARATIONS IN THE EUROPEAN REGION ARE EVIDENTLY LAGGING BEHIND IN COMPARISON TO OTHER REGIONS. IN VIEW OF THE OBVIOUS NEED FOR THE EUROPEAN REGION TO CONTRIBUTE SUBSTANTIVELY TO THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN, I HAVE THE HONOR TO ASK YOUR EXCELLENCY TO BRING ABOUT INCREASED EFFORTS OF THE COMPETENT AUTHORITIES AND INSTITUTIONS OF YOUR COUNTRY AS TO THE SUBSTANTIVE PREPARATIONS FOR THE WORLD CONFERENCE AND ALSO TO CONTRIBUTE FINANCIALLY TO THE COSTS OF THE ENVISAGED HIGH LEVEL REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING.
MAY I ALSO INFORM YOU THAT IN A LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE NEWLY APPOINTED EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE ECE, MR. YVES BERTHELOT, I HAVE ASKED HIM TO SET UP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE A TASK FORCE WITHIN THE ECE SECRETARIAT WHICH SHOULD BE MADE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PREPARATIONS OF THE HIGH LEVEL REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING IN ORDER TO GUARANTEE AN EFFICIENT PREPARATION FOR THE WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN. GURTHER I WOULD LIKE TO INFORM YOUR EXCELLENCY THAT AUSTRIA HAS DECLARED HER PREPAREDNESS TO OFFER VIENNA AS THE VENUE OF THIS MEETING AND TO COVER POSSIBLE DIFFERENTIAL COSTS FOR HOLDING THE MEETING IN VIENNA INSTEAD OF GENEVA. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR EXCELLENCY'S GOVERNMENT'S SUPPORT FOR THE VENUE OF THIS MEETING IN VIENNA.
PLEASE ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, THE EXPRESSION OF MY HI6HEST CONSIDERATION.
SIGNED, ALOIS MOCK
END TEXT OF LETTER FROM FOREIGN MINISTER MOCK.

ACTION REQUESTED

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6. AMEMBASSY VIENNA IS REQUESTED TO CONVEY THE FOLLOWING LETTER FROM SECRETARY CHRISTOPHER TO FOREIGN MINISTER

MOCK, USING THE TEXT BELOW. NO SIGNED ORI6INAL WILL FOLLOW.
BEGIN TEXT:
DEAR MR. MINISTER:
THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER DATED NOVEMBER 26, 1993, CONCERNING THE MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE TO PREPARE FOR THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN.
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES SUPPORTS THE CONVENING OF THE ECE PREPARATORY MEETING AND ENDORSES VIENNA AS THE VENUE. WE HOPE TO MAKE A FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONVENING THE PREPARATORY MEETING, AND EXPECT THAT THE FUNDS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR TRANSFER TO THE ECE IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE.
WE PLAN TO PROVIDE SUBSTANTIVE INPUT INTO THE PREPARATIONS FOR THE ECE PREPARATORY MEETING, WHICH WE WILL CONVEY DIRECTLY TO THE ECE SECRETARIAT.
SINCERELY,
WARREN CHRISTOPHER.
END TEXT.
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1. PLEASE SEE ACTION REQUESTS IN PARAGRAPH 19 BELOW.

SUMMARY/INTRODUCTION

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2. ECE CHAIRMAN DEMBINSKY (POLAND) CONVENED A QUARTERLY AD HOC, INFORMAL, CONSULTATIVE MEETING OF THE ECE COMMISSION ON JANUARY 31. THE MEETING DISCUSSED (A) THE ECE CONTRIBUTION TO THE CSCE ECONOMIC FORUM; (B) THE ECE CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMISSION ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT; (C) AN ECE FEASIBILITY STUDY ON A 1996 CONFERENCE ON TRANSPORT AND THE ENVIRONMENT; (D) THE ECE REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING FOR THE FOURTH WORLD

CONFERENCE ON WOMEN; AND (E) PREPARATIONS FOR THE 49TH SESSION OF THE ECE COMMISSION IN APRIL.

3. KAZAKHSTAN'S AMBASSADOR WAS WELCOMED BY THE CHAIRMAN; HIS COUNTRY PARTICIPATED IN AN ECE MEETING FOR THE FIRST TIME.

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-- ON THE CSCE ECONOMIC FORUM, THE MEMBER STATES PRESSED EXECUTIVE SECRETARY BERTHELOT (FRANCE) TO ENSURE ECE'S FULL COORDINATION AND COOPERATION WITH CSCE.

-- BERTHELOT ALSO CIRCULATED A COPY OF THE ECE REPORT TO THE COMMISSION ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE MOST RECENT VIEWS OF ECE GOVERNMENTS.

-- THE SECRETARIAT CIRCULATED A THIRD DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE VIENNA PREPARATORY MEETING FOR THE WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN, WHICH IT WAS AGREED WAS SUFFICIENT FOR THE SECRETARIAT TO BEGIN ITS DETAILED PREPARATIONS FOR VIENNA.

-- ON A POSSIBLE CONFERENCE ON TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT IN 1996, BERTHELOT ASKED THE COMMISSION TO PASS A DECISION ON THIS SUBJECT IN APRIL, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT VIEWS OF A TASK FORCE SET UP BY THE ECE INLAND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE.

-- CONCERNING THE AGENDA FOR THE ANNUAL SESSION, THE U.S. NOTED OUR FULL AGREEMENT WITH DELEGATIONS WHICH HIGHLIGHTED THE IMPORTANCE OF ECE ASSISTANCE TO COUNTRIES IN TRANSITION AND THE NEED FOR A FULL DISCUSSION ON THIS SUBJECT. AS FOR POSSIBLE DRAFT DECISIONS AT THE ANNUAL SESSION, THE EU INDICATED IT WOULD SEEK DECISIONS ON ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT; RUSSIA AND ROMANIA, ON ASSISTANCE TO TRANSITION COUNTRIES; RUSSIA, ON MARKET ACCESS; CROATIA, ON A GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION TO ASSIST CROATIA; AND UKRAINE, ON THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UN.

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5. CHAIRMAN DEMBINSKY WELCOMED THE AMBASSADOR OF KAZAKHSTAN TO HIS FIRST ECE MEETING. DEMBINSKY RECALLED THAT ECOSOC IN 1993 HAD APPROVED A REVISION TO ARTICLE 7 OF THE ECE TERMS OF REFERENCE, WHICH, IN EFFECT, PROVIDES FOR ECE MEMBERSHIP FOR ALL CONSTITUENT REPUBLICS OF THE FORMER SOVIET UNION WHICH WISH TO JOIN. KAZAKHSTAN ON DECEMBER 17, 1993, IN A LETTER TO ECE, HAD INDICATED ITS DESIRE TO JOIN. KAZAKHSTAN'S AMBASSADOR EXPRESSED PARTICULAR INTEREST IN ECE'S WORK IN ENERGY, TRADE AND ENVIRONMENT, AS WELL THE HOPE THAT

ECE TRUST FUNDS MIGHT HELP TO PAY THE COSTS OF SENDING EXPERTS FROM HIS COUNTRY TO ECE MEETINGS.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN ON HIS CONSULTATIONS WITH THE BUREAUX OF THE PSB'S

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6. DEMBINSKY PROMISED AT THE NEXT AD HOC INFORMAL MEETING (MARCH 22), AFTER THE MEETING OF THE TRADE COMMITTEE, TO PROVIDE A WRITTEN AND ORAL REPORT ON HIS CONSULTATIONS WITH EACH PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARY BODY.

ECE CONTRIBUTION TO THE CSCE ECONOMIC FORUM

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7. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY BERTHELOT SAID THE ECE WILL PROVIDE A WRITTEN CONTRIBUTION TO THE MARCH ECONOMIC FORUM, CONSISTING OF A DOCUMENT HIGHLIGHTING ECE ACTIVITIES RELATING TO THE FORUM'S AGENDA, A LISTING OF ECE WORKSHOPS, AS WELL AS FOUR DISCUSSION PAPERS RESPONSIVE TO EACH SUBSTANTIVE ITEM OF THE INDICATIVE AGENDA. BERTHELOT PROMISED TO REPORT TO THE ANNUAL SESSION ON THE OUTCOME OF THE FORUM, WHICH PROVIDES ECE THE OPPORTUNITY "TO MAKE OUR WORK KNOWN IN NEW CIRCLES." GREECE SAID THAT ECE'S CONTRIBUTION SHOULD REFLECT ESPECIALLY ITS EXPERTISE IN (A) ECONOMIC ANALYSIS/INVESTMENT CLIMATE AND (B) THE ROLE OF INFRASTRUCTURE. THE EU ITSELF AT PRAGUE WILL MAKE A CONTRIBUTION BASED ON ITS EXPERIENCE WITH THE TRANSITION COUNTRIES AND WILL PROPOSE SPECIFIC SEMINAR TOPICS IN 1994-95. RUSSIA SAID THAT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FORUM SHOULD CIRCULATE THE ECE DOCUMENTS TO ALL PARTICIPANTS.

ECE CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMISSION ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

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8. BERTHELOT CIRCULATED A DOCUMENT "UN/ECE ACTION PLAN TO IMPLEMENT AGENDA 21," TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMISSION ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN MAY 1994 (FAXED TO OES/ENV - MOUNT). THE PAPER TAKES INTO ACCOUNT THE VIEWS OF MEMBER GOVERNMENTS MEETING ON JANUARY 12 AND NOTES, INTER ALIA, THE NEED TO CHANGE PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION PATTERNS. BOTH THE EU AND RUSSIA ASKED FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THE PAPER FURTHER AT THE MARCH AD HOC INFORMAL COMMISSION MEETING. SWEDEN EXPRESSED ITS INITIAL SATISFACTION.

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9. FOLLOWING UP TO THE INFORMAL JANUARY 27 MEETING WITH MISSION REPS (REFTEL A), THE SECRETARIAT CIRCULATED A SUMMARY DOCUMENT ON PLANS FOR THE OCTOBER MEETING IN VIENNA, ALONG WITH A THIRD REVISED OUTLINE PROVISIONAL AGENDA (FAXED TO IO/E - DELAURENTIS). THE SECRETARIAT'S BUDGET FORESEES A NEED FOR $240,600 FOR HOLDING THE MEETING. MEMBER STATES HAVE PLEDGED $120,000 OF WHICH $42,380 HAS BEEN RECEIVED. DEPUTY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY PASTIZZI-FERENCIC APPEALED TO MEMBER STATES TO PAY THEIR PLEDGES ASAP AND ASKED FOR ADDITIONAL SUPPORT TO MAKE UP THE GAP. SHE SAID THE OUTLINE AGENDA AS PRESENTED WILL ENABLE THE SECRETARIAT TO MOVE FORWARD ON PREPARATIONS, BUT THAT NATIONAL INPUTS WERE ALSO NEED ASAP IN ORDER TO FURTHER EVALUATE THE NAIROBI FORWARD LOOKING STRATEGIES. NGO PARTICIPATION IN VIENNA WILL BE IN KEEPING WITH THE GUIDELINES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE WORLD CONFERENCE.

10. SWEDEN NOTED THAT THE AGENDA HAD BEEN FURTHER IMPROVED, BUT PERHAPS IT COULD STILL BE SHORTENED AND BROUGHT MORE INTO LINE WITH ECE DECISION K(48), TO ENABLE VIENNA TO SEND "A CLEAR MESSAGE" TO BEIJING. A FINAL DOCUMENT, RATHER THAN A "PLAN OF ACTION," SHOULD BE THE OUTCOME. AUSTRIA ALSO SPOKE AGAINST A "PLAN OF ACTION." GREECE, FINLAND, BULGARIA AND NORWAY AGREED WITH THE SENTIMENT THAT THE SECRETARIAT SHOULD PROCEED WITH PREPARATIONS, BASED ON THE CURRENT DRAFT AGENDA. RUSSIA ENDORSED THE OUTLINE DRAFT AGENDA AND THE CONCEPT OF A "PLAN OF ACTION."

INTERIM REPORT ON THE FEASIBILITY STUDY ON A CONFERENCE ON TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT

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11. BERTHELOT RECALLED THAT ECE DECISION G(48) HAD REQUESTED THE SECRETARIAT TO CARRY OUT A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON ORGANIZING A CONFERENCE ON TRANSPORT AND THE ENVIRONMENT. IN A NOTE CIRCULATED TO MEMBER STATES, THE SECRETARIAT SAID THERE APPEARS TO BE SUPPORT FOR ORGANIZING SUCH A CONFERENCE AS A POLITICAL AFFIRMATION OF THE NEED TO IMPLEMENT THE MANY TECHNICAL MEASURES ALREADY ADOPTED AT THE NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LEVEL. THE SECRETARIAT RECOMMENDS THAT THE CONFERENCE COVER ALL MODES OF TRANSPORT, ALTHOUGH SPECIAL EMPHASIS COULD BE PLACED ON INLAND TRANSPORT. THE CONFERENCE SHOULD BE ORGANIZED IN CLOSE COOPERATION WITH THE ECMT AND THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION. NGO'S AND INDUSTRY SHOULD ALSO PLAY A ROLE. BERTHELOT REPORTED THAT A TASK FORCE SET UP BY THE ECE INLAND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE IN JANUARY WILL MAKE FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COMMISSION IN APRIL AND THAT THE COMMISSION WILL NEED TO TAKE A DECISION ON THIS SUBJECT. SEVERAL DELEGATIONS EXPRESSED APPROVAL OF THE SECRETARIAT'S COURSE OF ACTION. RUSSIA RECOMMENDED THAT A "PLAN OF ACTION" BE AN OUTCOME OF THE CONFERENCE, ANTICIPATED IN 1996.

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE 49TH ANNUAL SESSION

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12. GREECE EXPRESSED GENERAL AGREEMENT WITH THE SECRETARIAT'S DECEMBER 23 PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE 49TH ANNUAL SESSION, APRIL 18-26, 1994, BUT QUESTIONED THE SIGNIFICANCE OF REFERENCE TO "MARKET ACCESS" (REQUESTED BY RUSSIA) MENTIONED IN AGENDA ITEM 3 (THE COMMISSION'S ACTIVITIES DESIGNED TO ASSIST COUNTRIES IN TRANSITION), SINCE SUCH SUBJECTS ARE NORMALLY DISCUSSED IN GATT OR BILATERALLY. IN AGENDA ITEM 6(D), GREECE QUESTIONED THE SELECTIVITY OF THE AGENDA IN SINGLING OUT SUCH SUBJECTS AS "CHERNOBYL" WHILE OMITTING OTHERS. UKRAINE ASKED THAT THERE BE SUFFICIENT TIME TO DISCUSS AGENDA ITEM 3. RUSSIA AND BELARUS SAID AGENDA ITEM 3 IS THE MOST IMPORTANT AND TOPICAL ITEM ON THE AGENDA, WHILE RUSSIA STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF "MARKET ACCESS." HUNGARY AGREED WITH THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA, SUGGESTING THAT INTERNATIONAL CORPORATE MANAGERS BE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PLANNED ROUNDTABLE ON "THE ROLE OF THE ENTERPRISE IN CONTEMPORARY EUROPEAN SOCIETIES."

13. THE U.S. ALSO UNDERSCORED THE IMPORTANCE OF SUFFICIENT TIME BEING DEDICATED TO SUBJECT OF THE COMMISSION'S ACTIVITIES DESIGNED TO ASSIST COUNTRIES IN TRANSITION, IN ORDER TO HELP TO ENSURE THE ECE CAN ADAPT AND BECOME MORE RELEVANT TO THE NEEDS OF THESE COUNTRIES. (NOTE: BOTH THE AMBASSADOR OF BELARUS AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY BERTHELOT AFTERWARDS THANKED US FOR OUR INTERVENTION ON THIS ITEM.)

PREPARATION OF DRAFT DECISIONS FOR THE 49TH SESSION

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14. CHAIRMAN DEMBINSKY URGED MISSION REPS TO SEE HOW THE PROCESS OF PREPARING DECISIONS FOR THE ANNUAL SESSION COULD BE STREAMLINED (AN ACTIVE U.S. INITIATIVE BEGUN LAST YEAR) AND ANNOUNCED THE CONVENING ON FEBRUARY 7 OF MISSION EXPERTS TO BEGIN WORK ON DRAFT DECISIONS. THE FOLLOWING TOPICS HAVE ALREADY BEEN PROPOSED:

EUROPEAN UNION: ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORT
RUSSIA/ROMANIA: ASSISTANCE TO COUNTRIES IN TRANSITION
RUSSIA: MARKET ACCESS FOR TRANSITION COUNTRIES
UKRAINE: COMMEMORATION OF THE UN 50TH ANNIVERSARY
CROATIA: GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION ON ASSISTANCE TO CROATIA.

OTHER BUSINESS -- RESOURCES

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15. IN THANKING THE SECRETARIAT FOR SEVERAL PAPERS OUTLINING THE GENERAL RESOURCE SITUATION IN THE ECE,

GREECE NOTED THE HIGH NUMBER OF VACANCIES IN "PRIORITY" AREAS AMONG THE TOTAL OF SOME 25 AT THE PROFESSIONAL LEVEL OR HIGHER. GREECE ASKED TO HEAR FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY ABOUT PROGRESS IN FILLING THE POSTS OF DIRECTOR OF THE TRADE DIVISION AND DIRECTOR OF THE ENERGY DIVISION AND PLANS TO CREATE A TECHNICAL
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16. BERTHELOT REPORTED THAT THE HIRING OF A TRADE DIVISION DIRECTOR IS IN THE FINAL PHASE, SIMPLY AWAITING THE CONCURRENCE OF NEW YORK.
(NOTE: WE HAVE HEARD INFORMALLY THAT BERTHELOT HAS SELECTED A WOMAN FROM THE U.K. FOR THE POST.)
AS FOR THE POST OF ENERGY DIVISION DIRECTOR, BERTHELOT IS STILL AWAITING THE RECOMMENDATION OF AN INTERNAL ECE PANEL WHICH IS EVALUATING CANDIDATES REFERRED BY NEW YORK. NOTING THE POST OF ENVIRONMENT/HUMAN SETTLEMENTS DIVISION DIRECTOR WILL BECOME VACANT AT THE END OF 1994, BERTHELOT PROMISED THAT A PROPOSED VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT TEXT SOON WOULD BE SENT TO NEW YORK FOR ISSUANCE. AS FOR THE REGIONAL ADVISOR POSTS, BERTHELOT SAID HE UNDERSTOOD THE POSTS WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO GENEVA, LIKELY IN APRIL, AND THAT HE BELIEVES HE HAS THE AUTHORITY TO HIRE INDIVIDUALS TO FILL THE POSTS ON A CONTRACT BASIS AT THAT TIME. THEY WOULD, HE SAID, PREPARE TECHNICAL OPINIONS OR DESIGN PROGRAMS/PROJECTS ON A DEMAND-DRIVEN BASIS. THEY WOULD ALSO HAVE TO RELY ON SUPPORT FROM THE SECRETARIAT AND THE PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARY BODIES. BERTHELOT EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT WHEN THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIES OF ALL THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONS MEET WITH BOUTROS-GHALI IN NEW YORK ON FEBRUARY 25 THA THESE AND SOME OTHER STAFF MATTERS CAN BE CLARFIED.

NEXT MEETING
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17. THENEXT AD HOC INFORMAL MEETING OF HE COMMISSION WILL BE CONVENED BY AMBASSADOR DEBINSKY ON MARCH 22.

COMMENT AND ACTION REQUESTED
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18. WE RATE THIS FIRST INFORMAL MEETING OF THE

COMMISSION CHAIRED BY AMBASSADOR DEMBINSKY AS "EXCELLENT." DEMBINSKY WAS COMPETENTLY SUPPORTED BY OUR STILL NEW EXECUTIVE SECRETARY. ECE AMBASSADORS AND MISSION REPS MADE SHORT, CONSTRUCTIVE INTERVENTIONS COVERING A VERY LENGTHY AGENDA. EXCEPT PERHAPS FOR THE EU INTERVENTION ON "RESOURCES," THERE WERE NO UNDERCURRENTS OF DISSATISFACTION OR DISTRUST ON ANY SUBJECT WHATSOEVER.

19. ACTION REQUESTED: TO FOLLOW UP ON THIS MEETING, WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING THE DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE ON THESE THREE ITEMS:

-- PREPARATIONS FOR THE ECE REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING FOR THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN: WE IMAGINE THAT MRS. PASTIZZI-FERENCIC WILL CONVENE SHORTLY YET ANOTHER MEETING TO CONSIDER MEMBERS' VIEWS ON THE OUTLINE DRAFT AGENDA. WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING ASAP THE DEPARTMENT'S VIEWS ON THE NEW DRAFT CIRCULATED

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JANUARY 31, AS WELL AS AN INDICATION OF THE AMOUNT AND TIMING OF THE U.S. CONTRIBUTION.

-- DRAFT DECISIONS FOR THE 49TH ANNUAL SESSION: THE MISSION IS ACTIVELY WORKING WITH OTHER KEY MISSIONS (EU, SWITZERLAND, RUSSIA) TO STREAMLINE THE PROCESS OF PREPARING THE DRAFT DECISIONS, WITH THE AIM OF REDUCING THE LENGTH AND NUMBER OF DECISIONS, TO FOCUS ONLY ON THOSE NECESSARY FOR THE EFFICIENT WORK OF THE ECE. PARA 14 ABOVE ALREADY GIVES AN INDICATION OF TOPICS WHICH MEMBER STATES WISH TO INCLUDE IN THE DECISIONS. AS MISSION EXPERTS WILL MEET FEBRUARY 7 FOR AN INITIAL DISCUSSION, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL (BUT NOT ESSENTIAL) TO HAVE ANY VIEWS OF THE DEPARTMENT GENERALLY OR ON THESE TOPICS SPECIFICALLY. WITH RESPECT TO THE SUBJECT OF "MARKET ACCESS" RAISED AGAIN THIS YEAR BY RUSSIA (THE PHRASE WAS MENTIONED IN A DECISION LAST YEAR), THE THINKING IN THE EU PRESENTLY SEEMS TO BE THAT THIS SUBJECT MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE ECE SENIOR ECONOMIC ADVISORS AND/OR THE ECE DIVISION OF ECONOMIC ANALYSIS TO TAKE UP, BUT IT IS NOT CLEAR TO WHAT END IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE COMMISSION IN APRIL TO TAKE UP THE SUBJECT.

-- FINALLY, WE NOTE THAT THE COMMISSION IN APRIL WILL HAVE TO TAKE A DECISION ON THE POSITION OF COMMISSION CHAIR. THE DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL THAT AMBASSADOR DEMBINSKY WAS ELECTED CHAIRMAN LAST SEPTEMBER, TO FILL THE VACANCY UPON THE RESIGNATION OF FRENCH AMBASSADOR MIYET. AT THIS TIME, WE GUESS THAT THERE MAY BE A DISPOSITION AMONG MEMBER STATES TO ELECT DEMBINSKY TO A

FULL ONE-YEAR TERM IN HIS OWN RIGHT. OF THE THREE CURRENT VICE CHAIRS (GERMAN DCM ROSENGARTEN, ROMANIAN AMBASSADOR NEAGU, AND SWEDISH AMBASSADOR MANHUSEN), WE BELIEVE THAT ONLY SWEDISH AMBASSADOR MANHUSEN COULD COMMAND CONSENSUS SUPPORT. THE MISSION WILL BE SEEKING THE VIEWS OF OTHER MEMBERS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE BEING ADVISED OF ANY VIEW THE DEPARTMENT MAY HAVE ON THIS SUBJECT AT THIS TIME. OTHERWISE, WE PLAN TO REPORT ASAP THE SENTIMENT AMONG OTHER MISSIONS.
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1. UNESCO HAS PUBLISHED ITS FIRST WORLD SCIENCE REPORT WHICH "AIMS TO PROVIDE AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE PRESENT STATE OF SCIENCE AROUND THE WORLD, HOW SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IS ORGANIZED AND HOW IT WORKS." THE WORLD SCIENCE REPORT CONSISTS OF FOUR PARTS: (A) A COLLECTION OF ESSAYS ON THE STATUS OF WORLD SCIENCE, INCLUDING AN ARTICLE ON NORTH AMERICA BY RODNEY W. NICHOLS AND J. THOMAS RATCHFORD; (B) SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS; (C) INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND PARTNERSHIP IN SCIENCE; AND (D) RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN MATH, PHYSICS, CHEMISTRY AND BIOLOGY. STATISTICAL TABLES PROVIDE INFORMATION ON NATIONAL AND REGIONAL SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITY AND MANPOWER.

2. THE REPORT WILL BE PUBLISHED BIANNUALLY. THE 1995 EDITION WILL CONTAIN SPECIFIC INFORMATION ABOUT WOMEN AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AS A CONTRIBUTION TO THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN TO BE HELD IN BEIJING.

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3. DIRECTOR-GENERAL MAYOR WILL PRESENT THE FIRST WORLD SCIENCE REPORT AT THE UNESCO SYMPOSIUM ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN AFRICA AS A SYMBOLIC GESTURE OF A TRANSFER OF KNOWLEDGE. THE MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE FEBRUARY 14-15 IN NAIROBI, AND IS DESIGNED TO FOCUS ATTENTION ON THE ROLE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS. THE

FOLLOWING THREE THEMES WILL BE DISCUSSED: (A) HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY; (B) UNIVERSITY-SCIENCE-INDUSTRY PARTNERSHIPS IN AFRICA; AND (C) UNESCO SUCCESS STORIES AND PERSPECTIVES FOR FUTURE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN AFRICA.

4. AT THE MEETING, DIRECTOR-GENERAL MAYOR WILL ALSO ANNOUNCE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR THE TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT OF AFRICA, WITH A CONTRIBUTION OF USD 1 MILLION BY UNESCO. THE FUND WILL BE CREATED UNDER THE UMBRELLA OF UNESCO'S UNIVERSITY-INDUSTRY-SCIENCE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (UNISPAR) WITH THE HOPE THAT A NEW PROGRAM FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN AFRICA WILL BE GENERATED.

5. MISSION WILL POUCH COPIES OF THE REPORT TO IO/T.

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((Text)) The Slovak Foreign Ministry enlists expert participation at the talks of the Government Expert Group regarding the possible control measures of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Biological Weapons, where a representative of the Slovak Republic acts as a member of the expert process. The Slovak Republic joined the appeal to call an assessment conference for the aforementioned Treaty already in the first stages of this initiative and during the 48th session of the UN General Assembly.

In the interest of getting involved in the work of the institutions dealing with the issue of non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and rocket technology, and the regulation of exports and imports of material, technology, and equipment with dual purpose, Slovak Foreign Ministry representatives took part in the

session of the Core Group (against arms proliferation) in Oslo.

The Slovak Foreign Ministry, in cooperation with the Slovak Defense Ministry and the Atomic Energy Commission, organized participation in the session of the Preparatory Committee of the Assessment Conference of the Treaty on Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons in Southampton.

In the context of this activity, the ministry gave its support to the endeavors by some countries to implement the validity of the treaty without any time limit. The Slovak Foreign Ministry prepared its concept of the issue and presented it at the session of the appropriate committee during the 48th session of the UN General Assembly.

An important activity was the preparation of the participation of a government delegation, led by the foreign minister, in the session of the UN General Assembly on 2-6 October 1993, appearances of the delegation members in the UN committees, and also the arrangements for various multi and bilateral talks, above all, with the secretary general, and other leading UN officials and heads of state delegations, participants in the General Assembly. The orientation of the work on the preparation of the trip and appearance by the Slovak Foreign Ministry state secretary in the UN General Assembly committees, and talks with the UN secretary general deputies was similar..

The Foreign Ministry submitted at the UN General Assembly an application of the Slovak Republic for a reduction of its membership contribution to the UN budget. A reduction and adjustment from 0.18 to 0.13 percent is expected.

The question of the membership of the Slovak Republic in the UN Statistical Commission was also dealt with at the 48th session of the UN General Assembly, and alternative possibilities were discussed for securing the UN presence in the Slovak Republic (the establishment of a UN information component in the Slovak Republic).

An important element of the work was the preparations for the establishment of a Slovak Permanent Mission at the international organizations in Vienna.

Many activities were oriented towards the sphere of specialized UN programs, particularly the following:

-- UNITAR -- Institute for Training and Research -- in cooperation with the Slovak Permanent Mission in Geneva, the supply of information on the organization of courses on multilateral diplomacy in Geneva,

-- UN Graduate Studies Program,

UNU -- UN University,

-- Commission on Transnational Corporations,

-- Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting,

-- EUREKA -- the production of information on Eureka programs with the objective of activating Slovak researchers to participate in the top research programs. After the publication, specific information was provided to the interested parties,

-- Departement des Affaires Humanitaires -- Geneva,

-- International Center for Family Studies,

-- Government Committee for the Physically Disabled

-- Public Administration -- the collection of information oriented towards the territorial arrangement and modernization of public administration, and arrangements for the participation in international actions by competent institutions,

-- the dispatch of experts -- circulation of information on vacant

positions within the framework of the UN structure to the concerned institutions and reporting job candidates from Slovakia.

Characteristic of the last third of the year, as well as for 1994 and 1995, is the intensification of the work on the preparations for the Fourth World Conference on Women. For the Slovak Foreign Ministry it translates into a need for the coordination of its activities abroad, the methodical modification of and help in the preparation of the national reports for the Fourth World Conference on Women. It implies for the Slovak Foreign Ministry the need to coordinate its work abroad, methodical guidance and help in the preparation of the national reports for the Fourth World Conference on Women, and the preparation of the documentation on behalf of the Slovak Foreign Ministry sector.

UNDCP ((UN Drug Control Program)) -- Among the important activities in this field was the signing of the regional laboratory Balkans Route ((Balkanska cesta)) project. The project is intended for use in the implementation of narcotics control, for the establishment and equipment of laboratories, for increasing their capacity, and for training and education of their staff.
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- CONFERENCE SYG GERTRUDE MONGELLA

1. SUMMARY: ON FEB. 16, AMB. ALBRIGHT MET WITH WOMEN'S CONFERENCE SYG MONGELLA TO DISCUSS PREPARATION FOR THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN TO BE HELD IN BEIJING IN SEPTEMBER 1995. MONGELLA EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN MAKING AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO WASHINGTON, AND MADE A REQUEST THAT THE U.S. MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO THE TRUST FUND ESTABLISHED FOR THE CONFERENCE. END SUMMARY.

Q. AMBASSADORS ALBRIGHT AND MARRERO MET WITH WOMEN'S CONFERENCE SYG GERTRUDE MONGELLA TO DISCUSS PREPARATIONS FOR THE 1995 WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN. AMBASSADOR ALBRIGHT STATED THAT THE U.S. WANTS TO BE AS SUPPORTIVE AS POSSIBLE OF THE CONFERENCE. SHE ENDORSED THE CONCEPT OF "WOMAN AS CITIZEN" AS THE ULTIMATE MEANING OF POWER SHARING, SHE ADDED THAT FULL ENPOWERMENT INCLUDED EDUCATION, DEVELOPMENT, EMPLOYMENT AND POLITICAL PARTICIPATION.

3. ALBRIGHT STRESSED THAT PRESIDENT CLINTON IS COMMITTED TO THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN, AND MENTIONED THAT ONE OF HIS FIRST ACTS WAS TO SIGN THE FAMILY LEAVE BILL. ALBRIGHT SAID THAT SHE HOPED THE PREP-COMM (MARCH 7-18) WOULD LOOK CLOSELQ AT THE WAR CRIMES TRIBUNAL, AND IN PARTICULAR, VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN IN THE FORMER YUGOSLAVIA.

4. MONGELLA EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN VISITING WASHINGTON TO MEET WITH HIGH RANKING U.S. OFFICIALS. SHE ALSO MADE A FORMAL REQUEST FOR US. CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE TRUST FUND FOR THE CONFERENCE. SHE STATED THAT AT LEAST ONE GOVERNMENT HAS ALREADY PLEDGED 1 MILLION USD, AND HOPED THAT THE US CONTRIBUTION WOULD BE AT LEAST IN THAT RANGE. SHE HOPED NOW THAT THE COLD WAR HAS ENDED, THE CONFERENCE WOULD CUT ACROSS GEOGRAPHIC LINES AND REALLQ ADDRESS THE PROBLEMS OF WOMEN WORLD WIDE. SHE

HOPES PROGRESS CAN BE MADE IN SPECIFIC AREAS OF SOUTH AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST AS IT RELATES TO THE CONDITON OF WOMEN

5. MONGELLA URGED THE U.S. TO CONTINUE TO NOMINATE WOMEN FOR HIGH LEVEL POSITIONS AT THE U.N. SHE NOTED THE GLARING LACK OF WOMEN IN HIGH LEVEL POSTS IN THE SECRETARIAT.

6. USUN WILL FACILITATE MONGELLA'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON TO MEET WITH UNDER SECRETARY WIRTH AND AMBASSADOR TO CSW ARVONNE FRASER.

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1. THE MISSION HAS RECEIVED A (CIRCULAR) LETTER DATED FEBRUARY 25 FROM ECE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY PASTIZZI-FERENCIC ASKING TO RECEIVE ASAP THE NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE AND FAX NUMBERS OF THE POINT OF CONTACT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE/FOCAL POINT IN THE U.S. FOR THE PREPARATIONS FOR THE BEIJING WORLD CONFERENCE. MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING THIS INFORMATION SO THAT WE CAN PROVIDE IT TO ECE.

2. ALSO, IN A SECOND "INFORMATION BRIEF" DATED FEBRUARY 24 ON THE REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING IN VIENNA (OCTOBER 17-24, 1994), THE ECE SECRETARIAT LISTS THE U.S. AS HAVING ANNOUNCED A FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION FOR THE VIENNA MEETING. THE MISSION NOTES THAT THE ECE MEMBER GOVERNMENTS HAVE PUT A NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE TASK ON THE ECE SECRETARIAT TO ORGANIZE THE VIENNA MEETING IN A VERY SHORT TIME WITH PROSPECTIVE RESOURCES FAR BELOW THOSE ESTIMATED AS MINIMALLY REQUIRED. WITH RESPECT TO THE LONG-STANDING "HOPES" OF A USAID CONTRIBUTION TO THE VIENNA MEETING, THE MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE ASAP BEING ADVISED OF A DECISION IN THIS MATTER SO AS NOT TO FURTHER COMPLICATE THE BURDEN ON THE ECE SECRETARIAT IN

ATTEMPTING TO MAKE THE VIENNA MEETING USEFUL AND
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OVERVIEW
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2. THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (CSW) WILL CONVENE ITS 38TH SESSION, MARCH 7-18, 1994, IN NEW YORK. THE MAIN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA WILL BE THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN AND THE PRIORITY THEMES.

FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN

BACKGROUND
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3. IN SEPTEMBER 1995, THE UNITED NATIONS WILL CONVENE A WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN, IN BEIJING. THIS WILL BE THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN. THE PREVIOUS THREE WERE HELD IN MEXICO CITY (1975), COPENHAGEN (1980), AND NAIROBI (1985).

MEXICO CITY, 1975
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4. IN 1974, THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

PROCLAIMED 1975 AS INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR (IWY). HIGHLIGHTING IWY WAS A UN WORLD CONFERENCE IN MEXICO CITY, THE FIRST DEDICATED TO PROMOTING THE STATUS OF WOMEN. AS A RESULT OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT MEXICO CITY, THE UN DECLARED 1976-1985 AS THE UN DECADE FOR WOMEN: EQUALITY, DEVELOPMENT, AND PEACE.

AT THE MEXICO CITY CONFERENCE, DELEGATES FROM 133 COUNTRIES ADOPTED A WORLD PLAN OF ACTION TO ENSURE WOMEN'S INVOLVEMENT IN GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT. ITS OBJECTIVES INCLUDED: A SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN FEMALE LITERACY; COMPULSORY PRIMARY SCHOOL EDUCATION AND EQUAL ACCESS TO EDUCATION AT EVERY LEVEL; INCREASED EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES; EQUAL ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE AND SEEK ELECTIVE OFFICE; GREATER PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN POLICY MAKING POSITIONS; RECOGNITION OF THE ECONOMIC VALUE OF WOMEN'S CONTRIBUTIONS IN NON-PAID ACTIVITIES SUCH AS WORK IN THE HOME, DOMESTIC FOOD PRODUCTION, AND MARKETING; AND ESTABLISHMENT OF GOVERNMENTAL MACHINERY IN EVERY COUNTRY TO ACCELERATE PROGRESS TOWARD EQUALIY AND THE INTEGRATION OF WOMEN INTO NATIONAL LIFE. THE WORLD PLAN OF ACTION SERVED AS A MODEL FOR NATIONAL PROGRAMS AND PROMPTED UN MEMBERS TO ESTABLISH NATIONAL COMMISSIONS ON WOMEN. IN NOVEMBER 1977, A NATIONAL PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE U.S. WAS ENDORSED AT THE NATIONAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE IN HOUSTON.

COPENHAGEN, 1980

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5. IN JULY 1980, A MID-DECADE CONFERENCE CONVENED IN COPENHAGEN WITH OFFICIAL DELEGATIONS FROM 144 COUNTRIES. THE PURPOSE OF THE 1980 CONFERENCE WAS TWOFOLD: TO ASSESS THE PROGRESS MADE AND OBSTACLES ENCOUNTERED IN IMPLEMENTING THE WORLD PLAN OF ACTION AND TO DEVELOP A PROGRAM OF ACTION FOR THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.

THE 1980 CONFERENCE ADOPTED A PROGRAM OF ACTION FOR THE SECOND HALF OF THE DECADE AIMED AT IMPROVING THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN THE PRIORITY AREAS OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND EMPLOYMENT. FORTY-EIGHT RESOLUTIONS ON A WIDE VARIETY OF ISSUES CONCERNING WOMEN ALSO WERE ADOPTED. ADDITIONALLY, AT COPENHAGEN, THE U.S. AND 51 OTHER COUNTRIES SIGNED THE CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN.

(UNFORTUNATELY, THE PHRASE "ZIONISM IS RACISM" FIRST APPEARED IN A UN DOCUMENT IN THE MEXICO CITY PLAN OF ACTION. FOR THIS REASON, THE U.S. OTED AGAINST THE DOCUMENT. THE PHRASE MADE ITS WAY INTO THE COPENHAGEN PROGRAM OF ACTION, AND WE AGAIN VOTED "NO." THE U.S. DELEGATION WAS SUCCESSFUL IN KEEPING THE PHRASE OUT OF
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THE NAIROBI DOCUMENT, WHICH ENABLED THE UNITED STATES TO JOIN CONSENSUS IN ADOPTING THE NAIROBI FORWARD-LOOKING STRATEGIES FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN.)

NAIROBI, 1985
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6. IN JULY 1985, AN END-OF-THE-DECADE CONFERENCE WAS HELD IN NAIROBI. DELEGATES FROM 157 COUNTRIES JOINED CONSENSUS IN ADOPTING THE NAIROBI FORWARD-LOOKING STRATEGIES FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN. THE STRATEGIES PRESENT CONCRETE MEASURES TO OVERCOME OBSTACLES TO THE DECADE'S GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN.

THE STRATEGIES CONSIST OF AN INTRODUCTION AND FIVE MAJOR PARTS: (I) EQUALITY, (II) DEVELOPMENT, (III) PEACE, (IV) AREAS OF SPECIAL CONCERN FOR WOMEN (INCLUDING ELDERLY WOMEN, ABUSED WOMEN, REFUGEE AND MIGRANT WOMEN, SINGLE HEADS OF HOUSEHOLD, ETC.) AND (V) INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL COOPERATION.

VIENNA, 1990
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7. IN 1990, THE UN CONVENED AN EXTENDED SESSION OF HE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (CSW), RATHER THAN A WORLD CONFERENCE, TO REVIEW AND APPRAISE PROGRESS MADE IN IMPLEMENTING THE FORWARD-LOOKING STRATEGIES. THE 1990 CSW MADE RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO ACCELERATE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FORWARD-LOOKIG STRATEGIES. IT ALSO RECOMMENDED THAT A FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN BE HELD IN 1995, AND THAT THE CSW ACT AS THE PREPARATORY

BODY FOR THE CONFERENCE. THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY ENDORSED THESE RECOMMENDATIONS.

BEIJING, 1995
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8. THE PURPOSE OF THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN IS TO REVIEW AND APPRAISE THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN SINCE 1985 D TO MOBILIZE WOMEN AND MEN IN GOVERNMENTAL AND ON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS, IN POLICY-MAKING POSITIONS AND AMONG THE CITIZENRY, TO ACHIEVE THE OBJECTIVES OF THE NAIROBI FORWARD-LOOKING STRATEGIES.

SINCE 1991, EACH SESSION OF THE CSW HAS FORMED A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (COW), WHICH MEETS CONCURRENTLY WITH THE PLENARY, TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ABOUT THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN. ALL DELEGATIONS TO THE CSW HAVE JOINED CONSENSUS IN ADOPTIG THE COW RECOMMENDATIONS ABOUT THE CONFERENCE, WHICH INCLUDE: RULES OF NGO PARTICIPATION, CHINA AS THE VENUE, AND AN OUTLINE OF THE PLATFORM FOR ACTION--THE FINAL DOCUMENT THAT WILL EMERGE FROM BEIJING. (THE 1991-1993 CSW RESOLUTIONS ON THE CONFERENCE ARE AT TAB W).

THE CSW HAS DECIDED THAT THE DOCUMENT THAT WILL EMERGE FROM THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE WILL BE A PLATFORM FOR ACTION COMPRISING A LIMITED NUMBER OF ISSUES THAT HAVE EEN IDENTIFIED AS REPRESENTING FUNDAMENTAL OBSTACLES TO

THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE MAJORITY OF WOMEN ("CRITICAL AREAS OF CONCERN"). WITHIN THE PLATFORM, GOALS SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED, IF POSSIBLE IN QUANTITATIVE TERMS, AND CONCISE, ACTION-ORIENTED GUIDELINES SHOULD BE PROVIDED TO ACCELERATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NAIROBI FORWARD-LOOKING STRATEGIES FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN.

THE CSW HAS FURTHER DECIDED THAT THE PLATFORM FOR ACTION SHOULD BE CONCRETE AND CONCISE AND CAPABLE OF LEADING TO FEASIBLE, EFFECTIVE, AND IMMEDIATE ACTION. IT SHOULD ALSO LEAD TO THE CREATION OF POLITICAL WILL ON THE PART OF GOVERNMENTS AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS.

U.S. POSITION
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9. THE THEME THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL TRY TO SET FOR THE PLATFORM IS "WOMAN AS CITIZEN." A CITIZEN IS ENTITLED TO RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES AND, IN RETURN, OWES ALLEGIANCE TO A GOVERNMENT AND IS ENTITLED TO PROTECTION

FROM IT.

"WOMAN AS CITIZEN" IS THE ULTIMATE MEANING OF POWER SHARING. BEING AN ACTIVE, INFORMED CITIZEN REQUIRES BOTH COMMITMENT AND ABILVTY. IT REQUIRES A COMMITMENT OR ALLEGIANCE TO THE COMMUNITY AND GAING THE ABILITY TO BE AN EFFECTIVE CITIZEN (LITERACY, EDUCATION, LEGAL LITERACY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, EMPLOYMENT, HEALTH,
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INFORM CONSULS ALSO FOR USEC/USOECD
REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS, POLITICAL PARTICIPATION, ETC.). WOMEN NEED BOTH RIGHTS AND THE ABILITY TO EXERCISE THOSE RIGHTS.

THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN SHOULD BUILD ON THE CONFERENCES THAT PRECEDE IT: THE 1993 WORLD CONFERENCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS WHICH AFFIRMED THAT WOMEN'S RIGHTS ARE UMAN RIGHTS; THE 1994 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT WHICH IS EXPECTED TO DEMONSTRATE THE IMPORTANCE OF UNIVERSAL ACCESS TO FAMILY PLANNING, REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH, AND OMEN'S EDCATION AND ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT TO POPULATION ISSUES; AND THE 1995 WORLD SUMMIT ON SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT. IT IS THE POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES TO THINK OF THESE CONFERENCES AS A CONTINUUM, WITH OVERLAPPING INTERESTS AND CONCERNS.

THE UNITED STATES BELIEVES THAT THE PLATFORM FOR ACTION SHOULD BE A POSITIVE, FORWARD-LOOKING, ACTION ORIENTED DOCUMENT, AND WE HOPE THAT IT CONTAINS THE FIVE GOALS IDENTIFIED BY THE 1993 CSW: SHARE POWER EQUALLY; FULL ACCESS TO THE MEANS OF DEVELOPMENT; OVERCOME POVERTY; RROMOTE PEACE AND DEFEND WOMEN'S HUMAN RIGHTS; AND INSPIRE A NEW GENERATION OF WOMEN AND MEN WORKING TOGETHER FOR EQUALITY.

PRIORITY THEMES

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10. IN 1987, THE CSW DECIDED THAT EACH OF ITS SESSIONS SHOULD DISCUSS THREE PRIORITY THEMES, ONE FROM EACH CATEGORY OF THE NAIROBI FORWARD-LOOKING STRATEGIES: EQUALITY, DEVELOPMENT, AND PEACE. THE PRIORITY THEMES ON THE AGENDA FOR THE 1994 CSW ARE:

-- EQUALITY: EQUAL PAY FOR WORK OF EQUAL VALUE, INCLUDING METHODOLOGIES FOR MEASUREMENT OF PAY INEQUITIES AND WORK IN THE INFORMAL SECTOR;

-- DEVELOPMENT: WOMEN IN URBAN AREAS: POPULATION, NUTRITION AND HEALTH FACTORS FOR WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT,

INCLUDING MIGRATION, DRUG CONSUMPTION AND AIDS; AND

-- PEACE: MEASURES TO ERADICATE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN IN THE FAMILY AND SOCIETY.

11. THE NORDICS HAVE TRADITIONALLY TAKEN THE LEAD IN INTRODUCING RESOLUTIONS UNDER THE THEME OF EQUALITY; AND THE CANADIANS HAVE TAKEN THE LEAD AT THE CSW AND THE UN UMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION ON THE ISSUE OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN.

12. TO EMPHASIZE OUR INTEREST IN ENSURING THAT THE UPCOMING WORLD CONFERENCES ARE SEEN AS A CONTINUUM, AND IN LIGHT OF THE LEADERSHIP THE UNITED STATES HAS SHOWN ON POPULATION ISSUES, THE UNITED STATES PLANS TO INTRODUCE A RESOLUTION AT THE 1994 CSW ON GENDER EQUALITY IN POPULATION PROGRAMS.

13. THIS RESOLUTION WILL EMPHASIZE THE LINK BETWEEN THE EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN AND IMPROVEMENT OF THEIR STATUS--PARTICULARLY IN RESPECT TO ACCESS TO FAMILY PLANNING AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH, EDUCATION, MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH, AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY--AND REDUCING POVERTY, PROMOTING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, AND ACHIEVING SOUND POPULATION POLICIES.

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

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14. THE CSW AGENDA ALSO INCLUDES: WOMEN AND CHILDREN NDER APARTHEID AND FOLLOW UP TO THE WORLD CONFERENCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS.

WOMEN AND CHILDREN UNDER APARTHEID

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16. IN 1993, FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ITS HISTORY, THE CSW ADOPTED A CONSENSUS RESOLUTION ON "OMEN AND CHILDREN UNDER APARTHEID." THE CONSENSUS TEXT WAS DUE LARGELY TO EFFORTS BY THE NETHERLANDS, THE U.S., AND EGYPT WHO TOGETHER FOCUSED ON THE OMNIBUS RESOLUTION ON APARTHEID ADOPTED BY THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY. IN ALL LIKELIHOOD, THE AFRICAN GROUP WILL AGAIN INTRODUCE A RESOLUTION ON THIS AGENDA ITEM, AND WE WILL WORK FOR A CONSENSUS TEXT.

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17. AT THE 1993 CSW, THE UNITED STATES INTRODUCED A RESOLUTION ON "THE RAPE AND ABUSE OF WOMEN IN THE TERRITORY OF THE FORMER YUGOSLAVIA," WHICH CONDEMNED THE RAPE AND ABUSE, AND URGED GOVERNMENTS AND NGOS TO PROVIDE PHYSICAL, SOCIAL, AND PSYCHOLOGICAL REHABILITATION SERVICES FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN SUBJECTED TO RAPE. THE ADOPTION OF THIS RESOLUTION BY A WIDE MARGIN (38(US)-0-1(RUSSIA) MARKED A SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT AT THE CSW: CONSIDERATION OF A COUNTRY-SPECIFIC SITUATION OTHER THAN THE PERENNIAL AND POLITICIZED RESOLUTIONS ON PALESTINIAN WOMEN AND APARTHEID. IN INFORMAL DRAFTING GROUP MEETINGS, PARTICIPANTS AGREED THAT IF THE CSW IGNORED THIS ISSUE, IT WOULD LOSE CREDIBILITY. THE UNITED STATES INTENDS TO INTRODUCE A RESOLUTION THIS YEAR ENTITLED: RAPE AND ABUSE OF WOMEN IN THE REPUBLIC OF OSNIA-HERZEGOVINA, THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA (SERBIA/MONTENEGRO) AND THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA.

FOLLOW UP TO THE WORLD CONFERENCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS
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18. AT THE 1994 SESSION OF THE UN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION THE UNITED STATES IS PRESSING FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE WORLD CONFERENCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS, WITH PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO WOMEN'S HUMAN RIGHTS. THE VIENNA DECLARATION AND PROGRAMME OF ACTION CALLS FOR THE INTEGRATION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF WOMEN TO THE MAINSTREAM OF UN SYSTEM-WIDE ACTIVITY AND STRESSES THE IMPORTANCE OF WORKING TOWARD THE ELIMINATION OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, SEXUAL HARASSMENT, EXPLOITATION AND TRAFFICKING IN WOMEN, GENDER BIASES IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, AND HARMFUL TRADITIONAL PRACTICES. IT ALSO CALLS FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, A PROPOSAL THE UNITED STATES IS CO-SPONSORING AT THE CURRENT UNHRC. THE UNITED STATES WILL FURTHER ENDORSE THESE ACTIONS AT THE CSW AT EVERY APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY.

TALKING POINTS

-- THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN SHOULD BUILD ON ITS FORERUNNERS -- THE WORLD CONFERENCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS; THE 1994 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON POPLATION AND DEVELOPMENT; AND THE 1995 WORLD SUMMIT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT.

-- THE THEME THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL TRY TO SET FOR THE CONFERENCE IS "WOMAN AS CITIZEN." A CITIZEN IS

ENTITLED TO RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES AND, IN RETURN, OWES ALLEGIANCE TO A GOVERNMENT AND IS ENTITLED TO PROTECTION FROM IT.

-- WE BELIEVE LITERACY, EDUCATION' AND LEGAL LITERACY AND SERVICES SHOULD BE STRESSED IN THE CONFERENCE DOCUMENT.
-- WE PLAN TO INTRODUCE TWO RESOLUTIONS AT THE UPCOMING SESSION OF THE COMMISSION: ONE ON GENDER EQUALITY IN POPULATION PROGRAMS; THE OTHER ON RAPE AND ABUSE OF WOMEN IN THE REPUBLIC OF BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA, THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA (SERBIA/MONTENEGRO) AND THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA. TALBOTT
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1. U.S. PERMREP TO THE UN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMISSION FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC (ESCAP) RECEIVED A LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE FROM RAFEEUDDIN AHMED, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF ESCAP, INVITING THE U.S. TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SECOND ASIAN AND PACIFIC MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE ON WOMEN.
2. ACTION REQUESTED: AS THE ISSUE OF WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT IS ONE OF PRIORITY INTEREST TO THE USG, WE ASSUME THERE WILL BE AN AUTHORITATIVE U.S. DELEGATION TO THIS HIGH-LEVEL MEETING. PLEASE ADVISE LIKELY IDENTITY OF USG PARTICIPANTS.
TEXT OF LETTER AND AGENDA FOLLOWS.
BEGIN TEXT:

I HAVE THE HONOUR TO INVITE YOUR GOVERNMENT TO BE REPRESENTED AT THE SECOND ASIAN AND PACIFIC MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE ON WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT, TO BE HELD IN JAKARTA FROM 7 TO 14 JUNE 1994. THE CONFERENCE IS BEING CONVENED BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMISSION FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC (ESCAP) AND IS BEING HOSTED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF INDONESIA.

AS DECIDED BY THE COMMISSION IN ITS RESOLUTION 46/6 OF 13 JUNE 1990, THE MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE WILL BE CONVENED TO REVIEW THE PROGRESS ACHIEVED IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC IN IMPLEMENTING THE NAIROBI FORWARD-LOOKING STRATEGIES FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN AND AS A REGIONAL PREPARATORY ACTIVITY FOR THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN TO BE CONVENED BY THE UNITED NATIONS AT BEIJING FROM 4 TO 15 SEPTEMBER 1995.

THE PROPOSED TIME-FRAME AND AGENDA OF THE MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE, AS APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION AT ITS FORTY-EIGHT SESSION HELD AT BEIJING IN APRIL 1992, IS ATTACHED. AS INDICATED IN THAT TIME-FRAME AND AGENDA, THE CONFERENCE WILL COMPRISE A SENIOR OFFICIALS MEETING TO BE HELD DURING THE FIRST FIVE DAYS (7-11 JUNE 1994),AND A MINISTERIAL LEVEL MEETING, TO BE HELD DURING THE LAST TWO DAYS (13-14 JUNE 1994). THE SENIOR OFFICIALS WILL MEET IN PLENARY SESSION AND IN THREE WORKING GROUPS WHICH WILL REVIEW AND APPRAISE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NAIROBI FORWARD-LOOKING STATEGIES AND DRAFT A PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN IN ASIA AND PACIFIC. AT THE MINISTERIAL-LEVEL MEETING, MINISTERS WILL MAKE STATEMENTS ON NATIONAL POLICIES, PROGRAMMES AND MEASURES UNDERTAKEN AND PLANNED TO ACCELERATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NAIROBI FORWARD-LOOKING STATEGIES AND CONSIDER FOR ADOPTION A PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN IN ASIA AND PACIFIC. THE PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC WILL BE ISSUED FORMALLY ON THE FINAL DAY OF THE CONFERENCE.

THE SENIOR OFFICIALS MEETING WILL BE OPENED ON 7 JUNE 1994 AT 1000 HOURS BY THE STATE MINISTER OF THE ROLE OF WOMEN, AND THE MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE WILL BE INAUGURATED BY HE THE PRESIDENT OF INDONESIA ON 13 JUNE 1994 AT 1000 HOURS IN THE ASSEMBLY HALL, JAKARTA HILTON CONVENTION CENTRE.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT YOUR GOVERNMENT'S DELEGATION WILL BE HEADED BY A MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR WOMEN IN

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DEVELOPMENT. SINCE THE ISSUES ADDRESSED WILL BE OF INTERSECTORAL CONCERN, IT IS HOPED THAT SENIOR OFFICALS REPRESENTING LINE MINISTRIES, SUCH AS PLANNING, LABOUR, EDUCATION, HEALTH, POPULATION, AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT, WILL BE INCLUDED IN YOUR GOVERNMENT'S DELEGATION. YOU MAY ALSO KINDLY NOTE THAT THE COMMISSION AT ITS FORTY NINTH SESSION RECOMMENDED THAT GOVERNMENTS INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THEIR DELEGATION TO THE CONFERENCE.

AN EHIBITION ON WOMEN IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC WILL BE ORGANIZED AT THE CONFERENCE SITE FOR THE DISPLAY OF PRINTED AND AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS ON WOMEN IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC. DELEGATIONS WISHING TO EXHIBIT PRINTED AND AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIAL SHOULD INFORM THE ESCAP SECRETARIAT BY 31 MARCH 1994.

IN ORDER TO ALLOW SUFFICIENT TIME FOR ESCAP TO MAKE THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS, I SHOULD BE GRATEFUL IF A BRIEF RESUME OF THE LEADER OF YOUR GOVERNMENT'S DELEGATION, ALONG WITH THE NAMES AND OTHER PARTICULARS OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION, COULD

BE FORWARDED TO THE SECRETARIAT AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE, PREFERABLY BY 20 APRIL 1994. FURTHER INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE ON THIS MATTER MAY BE ADDRESSED TO:

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INFORMATION NOTES FOR PARTICIPANTS ARE ENCLOSED FOR YOUR INFORMATION. OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION WILL BE DISPATCHED SHORTLY.

ACCEPT, SIR, THE ASSURANCE OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

RAFEEUDDIN AHMED
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

ATTACHMENT:
TIME FRAME AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA
A. MEETING OF SENIOR OFFICIALS ON WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT

TIME FRAME — PROVISIONAL AGENDA

TUESDAY, 07/06/94 — 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING
2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS
3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
4. REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NAIROBI FORWARD-LOOKING STRATEGIES: REGIONAL PRIORITY ISSUES AND PROPOSALS FOR ACTIONS

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WEDNESDAY, 08/06/94
4. (CONTINUED) WORKING GROUPS:
(A) WOMEN IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT;
(B) WOMEN IN SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT;
(C) WOMEN AND ENPOWERMENT.

THURSDAY, 09/06/944. (CONTINUED) (RETURN TO PLENARY).
5. A PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC.

FRIDAY, 10/06/945. (CONTINUED).
6. OTHER MATTERS.

SATURDAY, 11/06/947.ADOPTION OF THE REPORT.
B. MINISTRIAL CONFERENCE ON WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT
TIME FRAME PROVISIONAL AGENDA
MONDAY, 13/06/94 1. OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE.
2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS.
3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA.
4. REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NAIROBI FORWARD-LOOKING
STATEGIES.
TUESDAY, 14/06/945. A PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE
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1. AT AN INFORMAL MEETING MARCH 25 WITH ECE MISSION REPS, THE SECRETARIAT ADVISED THAT ECE DEPUTY SECRETARY PASTIZZI-FERENCIC WILL CHAIR AN INFORMAL SESSION ON THE VIENNA PREPARATORY MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30 AT 10:00 A.M. THE MARCH 30 MEETING IS A POSTPONEMENT OF THE CONSULTATION PLANNED ON MARCH 28 (REFTEL A).

2. THE AGENDA FOR THE MARCH 30 CONSULTATION IS AS FOLLOWS:

-- BRIEFING ON THE OUTCOME OF THE 38TH SESSION OF THE CSW.

-- OUTLINE OF THE DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE VIENNA PREPARATORY MEETING. PROGRAM OF WORK FOR VIENNA.

-- PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION OF THE REGIONAL PLATFORM FOR ACTION.

-- ACCREDITATION OF NGO'S WITHOUT CONSULTATIVE STATUS WITH ECOSOC. AMENDMENT OF ECE RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE VIENNA MEETING.

-- STATUS OF TRUST FUND FOR PREPARING FOR THE VIENNA MEETING.

3. IN COMMENTING ON THE ACCREDITATION OF NGO'S, THE SECRETARIAT SAID THAT IT HAS RECEIVED APPLICATIONS FROM SOME 15 NGO'S WITHOUT CONSULTATIVE STATUS WITH ECOSOC. THE DEADLINE FOR RECEIVING APPLICATIONS IS APRIL 1ST, IN ORDER FOR THE ECE COMMISSION MEETING APRIL 18-26 TO APPROVE THE LIST OF NGO'S FOR VIENNA. HOWEVER, BOTH MEMBER GOVERNMENTS AND THE SECRETARIAT HAVE INDICATED THERE SHOULD BE SOME FLEXIBILITY ON THE APRIL 1ST DEADLINE.

4. IN RESPONSE TO OUR QUERY, THE SECRETARIAT ADVISED THAT A "FINAL" DRAFT AGENDA FOR VIENNA WILL BE CIRCULATED AT THE MARCH 30 CONSULTATION. IF IT IS AVAILABLE EARLIER, THE MISSION WILL PROVIDE IT TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR COMMENT. THE SECRETARIAT HAS TOLD US THAT IT BELIEVES THE AGENDA WILL QUITE ADEQUATELY ACCOMODATE "80 PERCENT" OF THE SUGGESTIONS WHICH THE USG HAS INDICATED IT WISHES TO SEE.

5. CONCERNING MEMBER GOVERNMENT CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PREPARING FOR THE VIENNA MEETING, THE SECRETARIAT TOLD US THERE IS NO CHANGE IN THE SITUATION. OF THE $120,000 IN PLEDGES MADE, SOME $74,800 IN CASH HAS BEEN RECEIVED TO DATE. THE DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL THAT ECE HAS ESTIMATED THAT AT LEAST $240,000 IN FUNDING IS REQUIRED TO ADEQUATELY PREPARE FOR VIENNA.

6. ACTION RQUESTED: MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING GUIDANCE FOR THE MARCH 30 CONSULTATION, IF POSSIBLE BYOOB ON TUESDAY, MARCH 29, SO THAT WE CAN SHARE N ADVANCE WITH MRS. PASTIZZI-FERENCIC OUR PRESENT VIEWS N THE VIENNA MEETING. MISSION WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS IN REFTEL B CONERNING (A) THE POINT OF CONTACT I THE U.S. FOR THE 1995 BEIJING WOMEN'S CONFERENCE AND (B) THE STATUS OF THE U.S. CONTRIBUTION TO THE VIENNA MEETING. SPIEGEL

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1. ECE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY DUNJA PASTIZZI-FERENCIC ON MARCH 30 CHAIRED AN INFORMAL, CONSULTATIVE MEETING WITH ECE MISSION REPS ON ECE PREPARATIONS FOR THE OCTOBER 17-21 VIENNA REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING.

2. DRAWING ON THE DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE IN REFTEL A, THE MISSION ON THE AFTERNOON OF MARCH 29 BRIEFED THE SECRETARIAT (PATRICE ROBINEAU) ON USG VIEWS ON THE VIENNA MEETING. BOTH IN OUR ADVANCE CONVERSATION WITH THE SECRETARIAT AND AT THE MARCH 30 MEETING, THE SECRETARIAT EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT U.S. CONCERNS COULD BE WORKED INTO PREPARATORY WORK FOR THE VIENNA MEETING AND COULD BE MADE MORE EXPLICIT IN THE PRESENTATION OF THE DRAFT AGENDA ITSELF, THROUGH ANNOTATIONS TO THE PRESENT DRAFT AGENDA. THERE WAS ALSO POSITIVE INTEREST EXPRESSED ON MARCH 30 IN THE NOTION THAT "ALL COUNTRIES ARE IN TRANSITION" WITH RESPECT TO THEIR ECONOMIES (REFTEL A). IT IS NOW UNDERSTOOD THAT

THE SECRETARIAT WILL PRESENT A "FINAL" REVISED, ANNOTATED DRAFT AGENDA FOR VIENNA TO THE ECE COMMISSION MEETING APRIL 18-26, FOR GOVERNMENTS' APPROVAL.

3. THESE POINTS EMERGED AT THE MARCH 30 MEETING:

-- PASTIZZI-FERENCIC EMPHASIZED THAT THE VIENNA MEETING HAS TO CONCENTRATE ON PROBLEMS AND "ACTION" AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL AND THAT THE ECE MEETING CANNOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE ENTIRE SCOPE OF PROBLEMS WHICH WILL BE DEALT WITH IN BEIJING. SHE PROPOSED THE CREATION OF AN OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP WHICH WOULD BEGIN WORKING ON THE OUTCOME OF THE VIENNA MEETING, COMPOSED OF DELEGATES FROM MEMBER COUNTRIES AND WHICH WOULD FIRST MEET IN GENEVA, IN EARLY JUNE. SHE SAID THAT THE AVAILABILITY OF UN CONFERENCE SERVICES FIRST NEEDED TO BE CHECKED BUT THAT SHE WOULD COME BACK TO MEMBER STATES WITH A SPECIFIC PROPOSAL. FINLAND ENDORSED THE SUGGESTION.

-- PASTIZZI-FERENCIC PROPOSED ASKING A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNDP TO ATTEND THE ECE ANNUAL SESSION, TO BRIEF ON UNDP SUPPORT TO NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS IN PREPARING THE MACHINERY FOR BOTH VIENNA AND BEIJING.

(MISSION COMMENT: THE ANNUAL SESSION ALREADY HAS A VERY FULL AGENDA. WE WOULD PREFER THAT THIS BRIEFING BE SCHEDULED OUTSIDE OF THE CONTEXT OF THE ANNUAL SESSION, IF POSSIBLE. END COMMENT.)

-- ON THE DRAFT AGENDA, NORWAY NOTED THAT NATIONAL REPORTS ARE UNLIKELY TO BE AVAILABLE BY MAY/JUNE AND WONDERED IF IT WOULD NOT BE BETTER TO POSTPONE THE REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING (VIENNA) TO JANUARY 1995. FINLAND ASKED THAT SOME PRIORITIZATION BE MADE IN THE AGENDA, FOCUSING ON (A) EMPLOYMENT, ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE, RELATION OF WORK AND FAMILY, UNEMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL SERVICES; (B) COUNTRIES IN TRANSITION; AND (C) WOMEN IN PUBLIC LIFE. AFTER THE U.S. PRESENTED VIEWS OUTLINED IN REFTEL A, THE SECRETARIAT SAID IT IS "OPEN TO REFINEMENTS IN THE AGENDA" AND BELIEVED IT COULD MANAGE THE PROPOSALS IT HAS RECEIVED.

-- THE SECRETARIAT NOTED THAT "HIGH LEVEL" MEANS "MINISTERIAL" REPRESENTATION. IT CIRCULATED A "DRAFT PROGRAMME OF WORK" FOR THE VIENNA MEETING (FAXED TO IO/E - DELAURENTIS) AND POINTED TO THE OCTOBER 17 AFTERNOON SESSION ON "REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF THE NAIROBI FORWARD

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-- AS TO THE OUTCOME OF VIENNA, PASTIZZI-FERENCIC NOTED THAT ECE DECISION K(48) ENVISAGES A REGIONAL PLAN OF ACTION AND/OR INPUTS INTO A GLOBAL PLAN OF ACTION. SWEDEN SAID IT PREFERS A "FINAL DOCUMENT" AS THE OUTCOME. FINLAND SAID IT WISHED TO SEE A "REGIONAL PLATFORM OF ACTION" AS THE OUTCOME. RUSSIA SAID IT AGREED WITH FINLAND; THERE SHOULD BE TWO OUTCOMES, BOTH A REGIONAL PLATFORM OF ACTION AND INPUT FOR THE GLOBAL

PLATFORM OF ACTION, AS ENVISAGED IN ECE DECISION K(48).

-- ON ACCREDITATION OF NGO'S NOT IN CONSULTATIVE STATUS WITH ECOSOC, THE SECRETARIAT EXPLAINED THAT AN EFFORT WAS BEING MADE TO PROVIDE A LIST TO THE ECE COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL AT ITS APRIL SESSION. WITH THE U.S., FINLAND, FRANCE AND OTHERS ASKING THAT A WAY BE FOUND TO EXTEND THE APRIL 1ST DEADLINE SET BY THE SECRETARIAT, IT WAS AGREED THAT A DEADLINE OF AUGUST 1ST WAS PROBABLY FEASIBLE. AT THE U.S. SUGGESTION, THE SECRETARIAT AGREED TO DRAFT A TEXT FOR INSERTION IN THE EU "OMNIBUS" DRAFT DECISION FOR THE ANNUAL SESSION, REFLECTING MEMBERS' DECISION TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE FOR NGO ACCREDITATION. HOWEVER, THERE WAS NO DISCUSSION OF ANY PROCESS FOR MEMBER STATES TO APPROVE THE NGO LIST.

-- REPRESENTATIVES OF NGO'S PARTICIPATED. A PLANNED NGO FORUM IN VIENNA WAS ANNOUNCED, BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 12, WITH UP TO 700 PARTICIPANTS. THE NGO'S INDICATED THEY ARE ENCOUNTERING DIFFICULTY FINDING FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE VIENNA ACTIVITIES, AS MOST FUNDING FOR THE BEIJING PROCESS IS DIRECTED TO NEW YORK AND TO "DEVELOPING" COUNTRIES.

-- ON RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR VIENNA, PASTIZZI-FERENCIC SAID THE ECE RULES WOULD HAVE TO BE ADAPTED TO REFLECT NGO PARTICIPATION AND OTHER SPECIFICS OF VIENNA. THERE WAS NO DISCUSSION OF A PROCESS FOR APPROVING THE RULES OF PROCEDURE.

-- PASTIZZI-FERENCIC REPORTED A GAP BETWEEN PLEDGES RECEIVED FROM MEMBER STATES ($120,000) AND THE AMOUNT RECEIVED TO DATE ($74,000), BOTH OF WHICH ARE FAR BELOW THE $240,600 ESTIMATED AS NECESSARY FOR PREPARING FOR VIENNA. NORWAY ANNOUNCED THAT IT HAD ALREADY CONTRIBUTED $10,000 AND WILL CONTRIBUTE AN ADDITIONAL $10,000 TO PREPARE FOR THE MEETING.

4. USAID CONTRIBUTION: IN THE ABSENCE FROM GENEVA THIS WEEK AND NEXT WEEK OF MREM BRIAN DUKE OF THE ECE SECRETARIAT, THE ECE ADVISES THAT THE OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH USAID IS MR. L. CORREA, OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, UN ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE, AVENUE DE LA PAIX 8-14, 1211 GENEVA 10, SWITZERLAND, TEL. (41)(22) 917 2482, FAX (41)(22) 917 0036. IF ANY DIFFICULTIES SHOULD ARISE, THE CONTACT PERSON IS MRS. DUNJA PASTIZZI-FERENCIC, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, UN ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE, TEL (41)(22) 917 2482, FAX 917 0036. THE MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE BEING ADVISED OF ANY DIFFICULTIES IN QUICKLY TRANSFERRING THE USAID CONTRIBUTION TO ECE.

5. THE SECRETARIAT, HOWEVER, ADVISES THAT UN NEW YORK WOULD INITIALLY WITHHOLD FROM DISTRIBUTION TO ECE OF ANY AMOUNTS RECEIVED -- FIRST, A 13 PERCENT UN OVERHEAD CHARGE AND SECOND, A 10 PERCENT OPERATIONAL RESERVE. THE SECRETARIAT ALSO UNDERSTANDS THAT UN RULES MAY PROHIBIT UN TRAVEL FUNDING FOR PARTICIPANTS WHO ARE NOT/NOT FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO ATTEND AN INTER-GOVERNMENTAL MEETING (BASED ON GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECISION). ON THE OTHER HAND, UN RULES, APPARENTLY, COULD ALLOW FOR SUCH FUNDING TO COVER TRAVEL EXPENSES BY NATIONAL EXPERTS TO THE KIND OF PREPARATORY MEETING FOR

VIENNA ENVISAGED BY MRS. PASTIZZI-FERENCIC, TO TAKE
PLACE IN GENEVA, BEGINNING IN JUNE (SEE PARA 3 ABOVE).
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INTRODUCTION

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1. ECE MISSION EXPERTS MET AGAIN ON APRIL 11 TO DISCUSS DRAFT DECISIONS FOR NEXT WEEK'S ECE ANNUAL SESSION. THERE WAS GOOD PROGRESS ON THOSE DRAFTS DISCUSSED. THE U.S. PROPOSED THAT AN ATTEMPT BE MADE TO COMPLETE WORK ON ALL OF THE DRAFTS BEFORE THE END OF THE WEEK AND THAT MISSION REPS MEET EACH MORNING THIS WEEK, IF NECESSARY. HOWEVER, THE EU/GREECE SAID THAT THEIR COORDINATION PROCESS AND OTHER COMMITMENTS DID NOT PERMIT THEM TO PARTICIPATE EVERY DAY. IT WAS AGREED, THEREFORE, THAT THE NEXT DRAFTING SESSION WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY MORNING, APRIL 13.

2. THE EU MISSION (CHRISTIAN DUFOUR), AFTER CONSULTATIONS WITH BRUSSELS, HAS RESPONDED TO OUR PROPOSALS (REF B) CONCERNING THE EXPLICIT MENTION OF THE "EUROPEAN UNION" IN VARIOUS DRAFT DECISIONS AND AGREED THAT ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE COULD BE USED IN TEXTS REFERENCING THE UN CHARTER (SEE PARAS 3-4 BELOW), TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE STATUS OF THE EU AS A "REGIONAL ECONOMIC INTEGRATION ORGANIZATION."

DISCUSSION OF DRAFT DECISIONS

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3. UKRAINIAN DRAFT ON THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE ECE TO THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UN:
UKRAINE SAID IT UNDERSTOOD THAT THERE IS A GENERAL CONSENSUS ON THIS DRAFT. THE U.S. SAID WE WERE STILL DISCUSSING WITH THE EU THE USE OF THE TERM "EUROPEAN UNION IN PREAMBULAR PARA 3.
(COMMENT: MISSION PROPOSES WE BE AUTHORIZED TO SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT TO PREAMBULAR PARA 3, TO READ, " ... IN THIS CONTEXT, THE IMPORTANCE OF THE STRENGTHENING OF COOPERATION AND COORDINATION OF ACTIVITIES BETWEEN THE ECE, REGIONAL ECONOMIC INTEGRATION ORGANIZATIONS, VARIOUS INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, INSTITUTIONS AND PROGRAMS ACTING IN THE REGION." END COMMENT.)
THE EU/GREECE NOTED THAT IT HAD NO COMMON VIEW ON THE PROPOSED RUSSIAN AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAFT, WHICH RUSSIA WAS URGING BE INCORPORATED. IN ADDITION TO ITS OUTSTANDING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS, RUSSIA SUGGESTED REPLACING THE CURRENT OPERATIVE PARA 4 WITH THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE:
"REQUESTS ALSO THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO REPORT TO THE AD HOC INFORMAL MEETING OF THE COMMISSION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PARAGRAPH 2 OF THIS DECISION WITH THE VIEW TO PREPARING CONCRETE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE FORTHCOMING ANNIVERSARY OF THE CREATION OF THE UN ECE."
(COMMENT: MISSION AGREES WITH PROPOSED RUSSIAN AMENDMENT. FROM A PROCEDURAL POINT OF VIEW, WE BELIEVE THE AD HOC MEETINGS SHOULD REMAIN "CONSULTATIVE" AND AVOID, TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, MAKING "DECISIONS" OR "RECOMMENDATIONS." END COMMENT.)
RUSSIA ALSO PROPOSED THAT OPERATIVE PARA 2 SHOULD BE AMENDED TO READ: "DECIDES TO INCLUDE THE ACTIVITIES IN PARAGRAPHS 5, 6, 7, AND 8 OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED NOTE IN THE PROGRAM OF WORK OF THE ECE FOR 1994-1998.
4. RUSSIAN DRAFT DECLARATION ON THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UN:
THE EU/GREECE COMMENTED THAT THEY ARE STILL STUDYING THE DRAFT AND QUESTION THE CONNECTION BETWEEN THE DRAFT TEXT AND THE TITLE. RUSSIA NOTED THAT THE DRAFT DECLARATION

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IS INTENDED AS AN ATTACHMENT TO THE UKRAINIAN DRAFT DECISION. THE U.S. NOTED OUR PREFERENCE TO SUBSTITUTE THE WORD "CLEARER" FOR "EFFECTIVE" (THIRD OPERATIVE PARA ON PAGE 2). HOWEVER, NO DELEGATION SUPPORTED THE U.S. PROPOSAL. THERE WAS CONSENSUS AGREEMENT THAT THE "PROBLEM" WAS A MATTER OF DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY FROM UN HEADQUARTERS TO THE ECE (SEE LAST PARAGRAPH) AND THAT THE LANGUAGE SHOULD REMAIN UNCHANGED, AS IT DERIVES FROM AN ECE CONSENSUS RESOLUTION ADOPTED IN 1992.
(COMMENT: EXCEPT FOR THE REFERENCE TO THE "EUROPEAN UNION," ON PAGE ONE OF THE DRAFT DECLARATION, MISSION REQUESTS CLEARANCE TO AGREE TO CURRENT TEXT. MISSION PROPOSES FOLLOWING AMENDMENT TO THE PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH

BEGINNING WITH "RECOGNIZING THE PARTICULAR ROLE ....:"
"....THE IMPORTANCE OF STRENGTHENING OF COOPERATION AND ACTIVITIES BETWEEN THE ECE, REGIONAL ECONOMIC INTEGRATION ORGANIZATIONS, VARIOUS INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, INSTITUTIONS AND PROGRAMMES ACTING IN THE REGION, ..." END COMMENT.)

5. RUSSIAN DRAFT ON FACILITATION OF ACCESS FOR PRODUCTS:

THE EU/GREECE SAID IT HAD NOT THOROUGHLY DISCUSSED THE DRAFT AND ASKED FOR OTHERS' VIEWS. THE U.S. OUTLINED OUR AGREEMENT, WITH MINOR AMENDMENTS (REF A). RUSSIA RESPONDED TO THE U.S. PROPOSAL (TO DELETE "TO THE WESTERN MARKETS" IN LAST PREAMBULAR PARA) BY SUGGESTING THE SUBSTITUTION OF THE WORDS "TO THE WESTERN MARKETS" WITH THE PHRASE "TO INTERNATIONAL MARKETS." POLAND SAID IT COULD AGREE WITH THE RUSSIAN TEXT; THE POLISH REP SAID HE THOUGHT HE RECALLED THAT DURING PRESIDENT CLINTON'S VISIT TO EUROPE LAST FALL HE HAD SIGNED A DECLARATION HAVING TO DO WITH "MARKET ACCESS" AND EXPORTS "TO WESTERN MARKETS." THEREFORE, POLAND PREFERRED NOT/NOT TO AMEND THE RUSSIAN TEXT.
(COMMENT: IT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO CLARIFY THE POINT MADE BY POLAND. END COMMENT.)
HUNGARY SAID IT COULD AGREE WITH EITHER THE ORIGINAL RUSSIAN TEXT OR WITH THE U.S. AMENDMENTS. SWITZERLAND SUPPORTED BOTH U.S. AMENDMENTS. IN CONCLUSION, THE EU/GREECE SAID IT WAS STILL CONSIDERING WHETHER THIS SUBJECT OF "MARKET ACCESS" MIGHT BETTER BE COVERED IN THE RUSSIAN DRAFT ON "TRANSITION," AS HAD BEEN THE CASE IN 1993.

6. EU DRAFT ON THE ENVIRONMENT:

IN RESPONSE TO OUR REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION, THE EU/NETHERLANDS CONFIRMED THAT THE "REVIEWS" REFERRED TO IN THIS DRAFT ARE "FUTURE REVIEWS." THE U.S. NOTED WE COULD AGREE WITH THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT ON "ESTONIA" BY FINLAND. RUSSIA SAID IT COULD NOT/NOT AGREE WITH THE FINNISH AMENDMENT, AS THE DECISION TO INCLUDE ESTONIA IN THE REVIEWS WAS MADE BY THE ECE, NOT THE OECD, AND THEREFORE ITS INCLUSION IN THE TEXT WAS "ARTIFICIAL." NORWAY SUPPORTED THE FINNISH AMENDMENT. THE EU/GREECE SAID IT PREFERRED NOT/NOT TO INTRODUCE THE FINNISH AMENDMENT. WITH RESPECT TO OPERATIVE PARA 5, THE EU AND RUSSIA AGREED THAT IT SHOULD BE AMENDED TO READ:
"WELCOMES THE CREATION BY THE SENIOR ADVISERS TO ECE GOVERNMENTS ON ENVIRONMENTAL AND WATER PROBLEMS OF THE WORKING GROUP OF SENIOR GOVERNMENTAL OFFICIALS ....."
CONCERNING OPERATIVE PARA 8 OF THIS DRAFT, THE EU NOTED THAT IT WILL PRESENT A REVISED DRAFT DECISION ON TRANSPORT WHICH WILL COVER THIS SUBJECT AND THAT ITS CONSULTATIONS ARE CONTINUING.

7. PROPOSALS OF CROATIA AND THE BUREAU CONCERNING THE FORMER YUGOSLAVIA AND THE EFFECT OF SANCTIONS:

CROATIA CONFIRMED IT WOULD BE SATISFIED TO INCLUDE A REFERENCE TO THE TWO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS IN THE EU "OMNIBUS" DRAFT ON THE FUTURE WORK OF THE COMMISSION (NOTE: THE U.S. HAS AGREED TO THIS LANGUAGE.) THE EU/GREECE SAID IT ALSO ACCEPTED THIS PROPOSAL. RUSSIA SAID IT ALSO WOULD AGREE, IF THE "BUREAU" PROPOSAL WERE

DROPPED. POLAND SAID THE BUREAU PROPOSAL SHOULD BE DROPPED. THE U.S. NOTED THAT WE HAD NOT HEARD ANY DELEGATION URGE THE ADOPTION OF THE BUREAU PROPOSAL. ROMANIA, HUNGARY AND RUSSIA ALL AGREED THAT THE PROPER HANDLING OF THE BUREAU PROPOSAL WOULD BE FOR THE POLISH CHAIR TO REPORT TO THE BUREAU ON THE DISCUSSIONS THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE ON THE SUBJECT. NO DELEGATION OBJECTED.
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8. MALTA DRAFT ON COOPERATION IN THE MEDITERRANEAN:
MALTA SAID ITS NEW DRAFT CONTAINED NO CHANGE IN SUBSTANCE, ONLY DELETIONS. THE EU/GREECE SAID IT HAD NO QUARREL WITH THE PREVIOUS DRAFT, BUT PREFERRED A TEXT
9. EU "OMNIBUS" DRAFT ON THE FUTURE WORK OF THE COMMISSION:
RUSSIA PROPOSED A NEW PARA 3 BIS TO READ: "TAKES NOTE OF THE REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ECE ON HIS CONSULTATIONS WITH THE BUREAU OF THE ECE PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARY BODIES (ECE 1300) AND THE SUMMARY DOCUMENT (ECE 1301) AND SUPPORTS THE VIEWS AND CONCLUSIONS CONTAINED THEREIN." THE U.S. SAID OUR FIRST REACTION WAS THAT THE LANGUAGE WAS TOO SWEEPING, BUT PERHAPS A WAY COULD BE FOUND TO SUPPORT THE GENERAL THRUST OF THE DOCUMENTS, IF DELEGATIONS AGREED. THE EU/GREECE AGREED WITH THE U.S., SAYING THEY WOULD NOT/NOT WANT TO SUPPORT THE TWO DOCUMENTS IN THEIR ENTIRETY. RUSSIA NOTED THAT ITS AIM WAS TO HAVE THE ECE COMMISSION "REACT" TO THE TWO DOCUMENTS. AS RUSSIA HAD NOTED THAT BOTH DOCUMENTS WOULD BE DISCUSSED IN THE COORDINATION SEGMENT OF THE ANNUAL SESSION, SWITZERLAND SUGGESTED PUTTING THE RUSSIA PROPOSAL IN BRACKETS, FOR THE LANGUAGE TO BE FINALIZED AT THE TIME OF THE ANNUAL SESSION. DELEGATIONS THEN ACCEPTED A U.S. PROPOSAL THAT, EVEN THOUGH THE LANGUAGE WOULD BE BRACKETED, A LESS SWEEPING BRACKETED TEXT BE CONSIDERED, SUCH AS "SUPPORTS THE PRINCIPAL CONCLUSIONS CONTAINED THEREIN," OR OTHER SUCH LANGUAGE.
(COMMENT: MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S CONCURRENCE WITH THIS APPROACH. END COMMENT.)
10. NEW SECRETARIAT DRAFT ON THE PREPARATORY WORK FOR THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN:
THE CHAIR CIRCULATED A DRAFT INTENDED TO FOLLOW UP ON LAST YEAR'S DECISION K(48) TO HOLD A REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING IN VIENNA. THE U.S. SAID WE HAD NO/NO SUBSTANTIAL COMMENT AT PRESENT, BUT WE WONDERED WHAT THE SECRETARIAT ENVISIONED IN OPERATIVE PARA 3 CONCERNING THE ENDORSEMENT OF A LIST OF NGO'S WHICH WOULD PARTICIPATE IN THE VIENNA MEETING. WE WONDERED ALSO ABOUT ANY PROCESS FOR ENDORSING THE PARTICIPATION OF NGO'S WHO APPLIED TO PARTICIPATE BETWEEN THE END OF THE ANNUAL SESSION AND AUGUST 1ST -- THE PROPOSED CUTOFF DATE FOR REGISTERING NGO PARTICIPATION. THE U.S. ENDORSED A RUSSIAN SUGGESTION THAT THE TEXT BE MAINTAINED AS A SEPARATE DECISION, RATHER THAN BE INCORPORATED INTO THE EU "OMNIBUS" DRAFT. THE CHAIR

(POLAND) AGREED TO INQUIRE OF THE SECRETARIAT PRECISELY WHAT WAS ENVISIONED WITH RESPECT TO "ENDORSEMENT" OF A LIST OF NGO'S FOR THE VIENNA MEETING.

FINAL COMMENT

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11. THE NEXT DRAFTING SESSION IS SCHEDULED WEDNESDAY MORNING, APRIL 13. MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING ASAP THE DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS/CLEARANCE ON OUTSTANDING TEXTS. WE CONTINUE TO URGE DRAFT SPONSORS TO PROVIDE FRESH TEXTS, TO FACILITATE OUR REVIEW.

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INTRODUCTION

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1. ECE MISSION EXPERTS MET AGAIN ON APRIL 13 TO DISCUSS DRAFT DECISIONS FOR NEXT WEEK'S ECE ANNUAL SESSION. SOME FURTHER PROGRESS WAS MADE ON MOST DRAFTS, BUT IT NOW SEEMS LIKELY THAT THE DRAFTING PROCESS WILL SPILL OVER INTO NEXT WEEK.

2. THERE APPEAR TO BE ONLY TWO OUTSTANDING TEXTS TO BE RESOLVED WITH RESPECT TO MENTION OF THE "COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES" (SEE PARA 9 AND PARA 11).

3. ALL NEW TEXTS TABLED HAVE BEEN FAXED TO IO/E (DELAURENTIS). THE NEXT DRAFTING SESSION IS SCHEDULED ON FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 15.

DISCUSSION OF DRAFT DECISIONS

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4. SECRETARIAT DRAFT ON THE PREPARATORY WORK FOR THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN:
THE SECRETARIAT POINTED OUT THAT THE ECE WILL HAVE TO APPROVE THE NGO LIST FOR THE VIENNA MEETING IN OCTOBER. THE COMMISSION WILL ALSO HAVE TO "APPROVE" OR "ADOPT" THE PRELIMINARY AGENDA (SEE TEXT IN ANNEX TO ECE DOCUMENT 1298). THE U.S. SUGGESTED THAT ECE DOCUMENT 1298 BE EXPLICITLY REFERENCED IN THE DRAFT DECISION WITH RESPECT TO THE PRELIMINARY AGENDA AND THAT THE AUGUST 1ST DEADLINE FOR NGO'S BE INCLUDED IN THE TEXT.

5. THE SECRETARIAT REPORTED THAT THE "FIRST" LIST OF NGO'S WHO APPLIED BEFORE THE APRIL 1ST DEADLINE HAS ALREADY BEEN CLEARED WITHIN THE SECRETARIAT, BUT A FLOW OF NEW APPLICATIONS IS COMING IN. THE SECRETARIAT WILL PROVIDE TO THE ANNUAL SESSION TWO LISTS -- THOSE SCREENED WITH APPROVAL BY THE SECRETARIAT AND THOSE WHO HAVE NOT YET BEEN FULLY SCREENED. THE SECRETARIAT URGED THAT THE NGO'S WHO COMPLIED WITH THE APRIL 1ST DEADLINE BE "APPROVED" IN SOME WAY AT THE ANNUAL SESSION, WHEREAS A RESUMED ANNUAL SESSION OR SPECIAL SESSION OF THE COMMISSION COULD MEET IN SEPTEMBER 1994 TO APPROVE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BETWEEN APRIL 1ST AND AUGUST 1ST. TO SIMPLIFY THE NGO PROCESS, THE SECRETARIAT SAID IT IS URGING SOME NATIONAL NGO'S REPRESENTED BY AN INTERNATIONAL BODY TO REGISTER AS PART OF THE DELEGATION OF THEIR PARENT BODY. RUSSIA AND FINLAND SUGGESTED THAT THE ANNUAL SESSION JUST "TAKE NOTE" OF NGO APPLICATIONS RECEIVED TO DATE AND THAT A SINGLE "APPROVAL" DECISION BE POSTPONED UNTIL SEPTEMBER. FINLAND ASKED THAT OPERATIVE PARA 5 BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE THE WORDS "IN COLLABORATION WITH THE ECE SECRETARIAT." THE SECRETARIAT AGREED TO PROVIDE A FRESH DRAFT ON APRIL 15, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT ALL COMMENTS MADE.

6. HUNGARIAN DRAFT ON COOPERATION AND SUSTAINABLE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT:

HUNGARY TABLED A NEW DRAFT, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT COMMENTS MADE ON APRIL 11. THE U.S. MADE TWO INITIAL SUGGESTIONS -- FIRST, THAT OPERATIVE PARA 4 INDICATE WHICH PSB OF THE ECE WOULD EXAMINE THE HUNGARIAN PROPOSAL, SINCE WE WOULD BE RELUCTANT TO HAVE TO CONVENE A SPECIAL MEETING OF EXPERTS SIMPLY TO LOOK AT THE IDEA; AND SECONDLY, THAT CONSULTATION/COOPERATION WITH UNIDO AND UNEP BE INCLUDED IN THE TEXT IN OPERATIVE PARA 5. THE EU/GREECE SAID IT AGREED WITH THE U.S. SUGGESTIONS. THEY ASKED WHEN HUNGARY ENVISAGED THE FORUM WOULD TAKE PLACE. FINLAND ASKED WHAT HUNGARY ENVISAGED BY A "CHARTER" AS THE OUTCOME OF THE FORUM. UKRAINE SAID THE DRAFT IS ENTIRELY ACCEPTABLE. RUSSIA SAID IT HAD CONFIRMED WITH THE ECE SECRETARIAT THAT THERE IS NO RESOURCE PROBLEM IN HANDLING THE ISSUE (OR AN EXPERTS MEETING) AND THAT THERE ARE PROBABLY SEVERAL ECE BODIES WHICH ARE CAPABLE

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OF LOOKING AT THE PROPOSAL. HUNGARY DID NOT RESPOND TO THE QUESTION ON THE "CHARTER" BUT SUGGESTED 1997 AS THE POSSIBLE TIMEFRAME FOR THE FORUM.

7. EU "OMNIBUS" DRAFT ON THE FUTURE WORK OF THE COMMISSION:

THE EU/GREECE SAID THEY COULD NOT/NOT AGREE TO SOME PROPOSED DELETIONS BY RUSSIA. RUSSIA SAID IT WOULD "INSIST" ON SOME REFERENCE TO "CHERNOBYL" IN THE DRAFT, SINCE THE ECE HAD NOT BEEN ABLE TO DO ANYTHING IN THIS AREA OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS. CONCERNING DOCUMENTS ECE 1300 ON THE REPORT OF THE CONSULTATIONS OF THE CHAIRMAN

AND ECE 1301, IT WAS AGREED THAT THERE WOULD BE LANGUAGE IN THE DRAFT SUCH AS "SUPPORTS THE PRINCIPAL VIEWS AND CONCLUSIONS" OF THE TWO DOCUMENTS, WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THISLANGUAGE WOULD BE PUT IN BRACKETS AND FINALIZED AT THE TIME OF THE ANNUAL SESSION, AFTER THE TWO DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED (SEE REF B).

8. EU TRANSPORT DRAFT:

THE EU IS IN THE PROCESS OF PREPARING A NEW DRAFT, BUT IS DOUBTFUL THAT THE MOST RECENT AMENDMENTS PROPOSED BY THE U.S. CAN BE TAKEN ON BOARD, ALTHOUGH THE U.S. PROPOSALS ARE ALSO BEING LOOKED AT ALSO WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE DRAFT ON ENVIRONMENT. THERE WAS NO DISCUSSION.

9. RUSSIAN DRAFT ON TRANSITION:

THE U.S. SAID WE DID NOT/NOT FORESEE ASKING FOR ANY CHANGE IN THE TEXT WITH RESPECT TO THE "EUROPEAN UNION" IN PREAMBULAR PARA 4. THE EU/GREECE ASKED THAT IN OPERATIVE PARA 2, THE "COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN UNION" BE MODIFIED TO READ "THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES." THE EU SAID IT ALSO HAS OTHER QUESTIONS ON THE DRAFT WHICH IT HAS NOT YET RESOLVED INTERNALLY.

10. UKRAINIAN DRAFT ON THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UN:

UKRAINE CIRCULATED A NEW TEXT AND SAID IT COULD ACCEPT THE U.S. PROPOSAL FOR AMENDING PREAMBULAR PARA 3 CONCERNING THE "EUROPEAN UNION." THE EU MISSION REP THEN PROPOSED SIMPLY THAT REFERENCE TO "EUROPEAN UNION" BE DROPPED COMPLETELY FROM PREAMBULAR PARA 3. THE U.S. AGREED AND DELEGATIONS CONSIDERED THAT DISCUSSION OF THIS TEXT WAS ESSENTIALLY COMPLETED.

11. RUSSIAN DECLARATION ON THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE ECE TO THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UN:

THE EU/GREECE SAID IT HAD NO PROBLEM WITH THE PREVIOUS (MARCH 25) DRAFT DECLARATION, BUT THE TEXT DID NOT SEEM TO CORRESPOND TO THE TITLE. THE EU SAID THAT PERHAPS THE DECLARATION WOULD BE BETTER ATTACHED TO THE "OMNIBUS" DRAFT THAN TO THE UKRAINIAN DRAFT. RUSSIA SAID IT COULD CONSIDER ATTACHING THE DECLARATION TO THE "OMNIBUS" DRAFT. THE U.S. THEN PROPOSED OUR AMENDMENT (REFTELS A AND B) TO PREAMBULAR PARA 3 WITH RESPECT TO THE "EUROPEAN UNION." THE EU MISSION REP RESPONDED THAT IN THIS INSTANCE THE PARAGRAPH CONTAINING THE WORDS "EUROPEAN UNION" DID NOT REFER BACK TO THE "UNITED NATIONS CHARTER" EARLIER IN THE TEXT AND THAT PERHAPS IT WOULD BE MORE ACCURATE TO REFER TO COOPERATION AND COORDINATION OF ACTIVITIES BETWEEN THE ECE AND "THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES," RATHER THAN "EUROPEAN UNION." THERE WAS GENERAL AGREEMENT WITH THE EU PROPOSAL.

(COMMENT: MISSION REQUESTS DEPARTMENT'S CLEARANCE TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE LANAGUAGE IN THIS TEXT OR A COUNTER-PROPOSAL TO OFFER AT THE APRIL 15 DRAFTING SESSION. THE DEPARTMENT SHOULD ALSO NOTE THAT ALL REFERENCE TO THE EU IS NOW ELIMINATED FROM THE UKRAINIAN DRAFT. END COMMENT.)

12. RUSSIAN DRAFT ON FACILITATION OF ACCESS:

THE EU OFFERED A COUNTER DRAFT ENTITLED "IMPROVING COMPETITIVENESS OF THE COUNTRIES IN TRANSITION TO ENABLE THEM TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE OPPORTUNITIES OFFERED BY

INCREASED ACCESS TO INTERNATIONAL MARKETS." THE EU MISSION REP SAID THAT "MARKET ACCESS" IS A SHORT-TERM PROBLEM AND THAT THE EU WAS ATTEMPTING TO INJECT AN APPROACH TO THE SUBJECT MORE IN KEEPING WITH THE ECE'S POTENTIAL TO CONTRIBUTION TO THE MATTER. THE EU SAID THAT ONE ALTERNATIVE WAS TO ADDRESS THE ENTIRE SUBJECT IN THE "TRANSITION" DECISION. RUSSIA EXPRESSED STRONG DISPLEASURE, CLAIMING ITS INITIATIVE HAD BEEN
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"CASTRATED" AND THAT SOMEHOW THE PROBLEM OF ACCESS TO EU MARKETS NEEDED TO BE ADDRESSED. RUSSIA CONFIRMED THAT IT COULD ACCEPT THE U.S. PROPOSALS TO AMEND ITS OWN TEXT. POLAND SAID THE EU APPROACH CONTAINS USEFUL IDEAS, BUT THAT THE TITLE STRESSING "OPPORTUNITIES" WAS SOMEWHAT MISLEADING. FINLAND SAID THERE WAS MUCH IN THE RUSSIAN PROPOSAL IT COULD ACCEPT. SWITZERLAND ASKED THAT EFTA BILATERAL AGREEMENTS WITH TRANSITION COUNTRIES BE CITED. IN CONCLUSION, IT WAS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE EU AND RUSSIA WOULD CONTINUE TO CONSULT.

13. EU ENVIRONMENT DRAFT:

THE EU/NETHERLANDS CIRCULATED A FRESH DRAFT, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT VIEWS EXPRESSED BY MOST DELEGATIONS. THE ONLY QUESTION REMAINING CONCERNED FINLAND'S PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO INCLUDE REFERENCE TO A REVIEW OF "ESTONIA." FINLAND SAID THAT IT WOULD BE A MISTAKE TO WAIT FOR THE CONCLUSION OF THE OECD REVIEWS. THE EU/NETHERLANDS POINTED OUT THAT THE "ESTONIA" REVIEW WAS A DECISION OF THE ECE, NOT THE OECD, AND THAT IN OPERATIVE PARA 7 THEY DID NOT WISH TO CONFUSE THE LANGUAGE TAKEN FROM THE LUCERNE DECLARATION. FINLAND AND NORWAY (SUPPORTED BY THE U.S) POINTED OUT THAT THE "ESTONIA" REVIEW WAS AN ECE ACTIVITY, AND THEREFORE APPROPRIATE TO MENTION SOMEWHERE IN THE ECE DRAFT. AFTER FURTHER DISCUSSION, THERE WAS A GENERAL CONSENSUS THAT IN OPERATIVE PARA 7 REFERENCES TO ALL COUNTRIES BY NAME BE DROPPED WHILE KEEPING THE REFERENCE FOR THE ECE TO "INCREASE (ITS) RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE FURTHER EXTENSION OF THIS REVIEW SYSTEM." THE PROPOSED CONSENSUS TEXT IN OPERATIVE PARA 7, WITH DELETIONS IN BRACKETS, HAS BEEN FAXED TO IO/E.

14. MALTA'S DRAFT ON THE MEDITERRANEAN:

THE EU/GREECE PROPOSED SEVERAL STYLISTIC AMENDMENTS, AS WELL AS AN AMENDMENT TO OPERATIVE PARA 5 TO REFER TO THE NEXT "SUBSTANTIVE" SESSION OF ECOSOC. ALL DELEGATIONS, INCLUDING THE U.S., INDICATED WE BELIEVED WE HAD A CONSENSUS ON THIS TEXT. MALTA AGREED TO PROVIDE A FRESH COPY OF THE TEXT, WITH THE STYLISTIC AMENDMENTS, ON APRIL 15.

FINAL COMMENTS

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15. THE MEMBER DELEGATIONS CURRENTLY ACTIVE IN THE DRAFTING PROCESS ARE ONLY RUSSIA, THE EU AND THE UNITED STATES. AT TODAY'S MEETING, ONLY A VERY FEW OTHER

DELEGATIONS PARTICIPATED.
16. AS THE NEXT DRAFTING SESSION IS SCHEDULED FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 15, MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE ASAP FURTHER GUIDANCE FROM THE DEPARTMENT ON OUTSTANDING DRAFTS.
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INTRODUCTION

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1. ECE MISSION EXPERTS MET AGAIN ON APRIL 18 TO DISCUSS DRAFT DECISIONS FOR THIS WEEK'S ANNUAL SESSION. GOOD PROGRESS WAS MADE. THE DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE IS REQUESTED, AS INDICATED BELOW. NEW DRAFTS REFERENCED HEREIN HAVE BEEN FAXED TO IO/E (MCGUINNESS).

DISCUSSION OF DRAFT DECISIONS

WM SECRETARIAT'S DRAFT DECISION ON THE VIENNA PREPARATORY MEETING FOR THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN:
THE SECRETARIAT PRESENTED TWO DRAFTS, ONE AT THE BEGINNING OF OUR DISCUSSION AND A SECOND ONE (FAXED TO IO/E), TAKING INTO ACCOUNT COMMENTS FROM DELEGATIONS. THE SECRETARIAT ARGUED THAT IT NEEDS AUTHORITY TO BEGIN WORKING ON THE "EXPECTED OUTCOME" OF VIENNA. RUSSIA AND ROMANIA ARGUED THAT THE DRAFT SHOULD GIVE A CLEAR MANDATE TO THE SECRETARIAT TO ORGANIZE AN INFORMAL MEETING IN JUNE WITH LEADERS OF DELEGATIONS TO THE VIENNA MEETING. THE U.S. AND AUSTRIA EXPRESSED GENERAL APPROVAL FOR THE SECRETARIAT'S (FIRST) DRAFT, NOTING THAT WE PREFERRED TO SEE A SEPARATE DECISION ON THIS SUBJECT WHICH (A) APPROVES THE OUTLINE PROVISIONAL

AGENDA FOR VIENNA AND (B) SETS A DEADLINE OF AUGUST 1ST FOR ACCREDITATION OF NGO'S. SWEDEN URGED THAT THE DRAFT DECISION IN OPERATIVE PARA 5 REFER, IN ONLY GENERAL TERMS, TO THE "OUTCOME" OF THE VIENNA MEETING. THE EU/GREECE SAID THAT OPERATIVE PARAS 2 AND 4 HAVE NO PRACTICAL USE AND THAT ANY DECISION SHOULD FOCUS ONLY ON EXTENDING THE DEADLINE FOR NGO'S TO AUGUST 1ST -- A NOTION WHICH COULD BE INCORPORATED INTO THE EU'S SEPARATE "OMNIBUS" DRAFT ON THE FUTURE WORK OF THE ECE.

3. AT THE END OF OUR SESSION, THE SECRETARIAT THEN CIRCULATED A REVISED DRAFT DECISION. RUSSIA SUGGESTED ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE TO PARA 6, WHICH WOULD READ, "REQUESTS THE ECE SECRETARIAT TOGETHER WITH ECE MEMBER STATES TO CONTINUE INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON THE ELABORATION OF PROPOSALS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE ADOPTED BY THE HIGH LEVEL REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING WHICH SHOULD CONSTITUTE THE REGION'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN AND DECIDES FOR THAT PURPOSE TO CONVENE A MEETING DURING THE FIRST HALF OF JUNE 1994, IF POSSIBLE WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF EXPERTS FROM THE CAPITALS OF THE ECE MEMBER STATES."

ACTION REQUESTED: THE DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED TO CONFIRM ITS CONCURRENCE WIT THE NEW DRAFT AND ITS PREFERENCE FOR THE ABOVELANGUAGE OR THE LANGUGAGE IN PARA 6 OF THE SECRTARIAT DAFT.

4. RUSSIAN DRAFT ON TRANSITION

THE EU/GREECE RAISED QUESTIONS RE OPERATIVE PAA 2 ON THE PROPOSED PROGRAM OF ITERNSHIPS. THE SECRETARIAT REPORTED IT COULD HANDLE FACILITATING ARRANGEMENTS FOR SMALL NUMBERS (WITHOUT FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS FROM THE UN) BUT THAT OUTSIDE FUNDING WOULD BE REQUIRED FOR ANY EXTENSIVE PROGRAM. THE EU/GREECE CONTINUED TO INDICATED OPPOSITION TO INCLUDING REFERENCES TO CHERNOBYL IN THE DRAFT (AS THE MEMBER STATES HAD DONE IN RECENT YEARS). AT THE REQUEST OF THE MEMBER STATES, THE SECRETARIAT OFFERED DRAFT LANGUAGE CONCERNING THE EXISTING ECE TRUST FUND FOR TRAVEL BY DELEGATES FROM TRANSITION COUNTRIES, TO ENABLE THEM TO ATTEND BOTH ECE WORKSHOPS/SEMINARS AND REGULARLY SCHEDULED ECE MEETINGS. THE SECRETARIAT EXPLAINED THAT SUCH LANGUAGE WOULD LIKELY SATISFY THE UN COMPTROLLER THAT THE ECE MEMBER STATES WISH THE TRUST FUND MONIES TO BE USED ALSO FOR REGULAR ECE MEETINGS. NO DELEGATION OBJECTED.

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ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT'S CONCURRENCE WITH THE SECRETARIAT'S LANGUAGE, TO BE INSERTED INTO THE "OMNIBUS" DRAFT.

5. RUSSIAN DRAFT ON MARKET ACCESS:

DISCUSSION CONTINUED. RUSSIA WILL TABLE A NEW DRAFT ON APRIL 19.

6. UKRAINIAN DRAFT ON 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UN:

THERE WAS A CONSENSUS ON THE DRAFT.

7. RUSSIAN DRAFT DECLARATION ON THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UN, TO BE ATTACHED TO THE UKRAINIAN DRAFT: THERE IS A CONSENSUS ON THE DRAFT, EXCEPT FOR ON-GOING US-EU DISCUSSION OF THE REFERENCE TO THE "EUROPEAN UNION" IN THE DRAFT.

8. EU ENVIRONMENT DRAFT:
THERE IS CONSENSUS ON THE DRAFT, EXCEPT FOR OPERATIVE PARA 9 CONCERNING THE PROSPECTIVE CONFERENCE ON TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT. THE EU/NETHERLANDS HAS ASKED TO INCLUDE IN OPERATIVE PARA 11 A REFERENCE ALSO TO THE "NOX PROTOCOL."
ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT'S CONCURRENCE TO INCLUDE IN OPERATIVE PARA 11 THE LANGUAGE " ... THE NOX AND VOC PROTOCOLS ...."

9. HABITAT II DRAFT:
THERE IS CONSENSUS ON THIS DRAFT. THE EU ON APRIL 19 MAY PROPOSE SEVERAL EDITING CHANGES.

10. METROLOGY DRAFT:
THERE IS A CONSENSUS ON THIS DRAFT.

11. HUNGARIAN DRAFT ON COOPERATION IN SUSTAINABLE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT:
HUNGARY CIRCULATED A NEW DRAFT, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT VIRTUALLY ALL OF THE U.S. PROPOSALS. THE U.S. SAID WE WERE NOT NECESSARILY BACKING THE DRAFT, BUT RATHER WOULD BE GUIDED BY THE CONSENSUS VIEWS WHICH DEVELOP CONCERNING THIS PROPOSAL. WE URGED THAT OPERATIVE PARA 4 INDICATE WHICH PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARY BODY OF ECE WOULD TAKE A LOOK AT THIS PROPOSAL. HUNGARY THOUGHT THAT EITHER THE WP ON ENGINEERING AND AUTOMATION IN OCTOBER 1994 OR THE SENIOR ADIVSERS ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN SEPT 1994 COULD DO SO. THE EU/GREECE CONTINUED TO RESERVE ITS POSITION, NOTING THAT THE ONLY CERTAIN OUTCOME IN THE PROPOSED MEETING OF EXPERTS MENTIONED IN OPERATIVE PARA 4.
ACTION REQUESTED: MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO OFFER ON THIS DRAFT, INCLUDING CONCURRENCE -- IF A CONSENSUS DEVELOPS AROUND THE PROPOSAL IN ITS CURRENT FORM.
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