

REPORT OF THE SIXTEENTH MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS OF THE PEREZ-GUERRERO TRUST FUND FOR ECDC/TCDC New York, 24-26 July 2001

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I. INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to the provisions of the High-level Meeting on ECDC held in Cairo in August 1. 1986, the rules of procedure adopted at its first meeting held in Caracas in August 1987, the provisions of the Twelfth Annual Meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Group of 77 held in New York in September 1988, the Seventh Meeting of the Intergovernmental Follow-up and Coordination Committee on ECDC (IFCC-VII) held in Kuala Lumpur in July-August 1989, the First Annual Meeting of the Group of 77, held in New York in September 1989, the Eighth Meeting of the Intergovernmental Follow-up and Coordination Committee on ECDC (IFCC-VIII), held in Panama City in August-September 1993, the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Annual Ministerial Meetings of the Group of 77, held in New York respectively in September 1994 and September 1995, the Ninth Meeting of the Intergovernmental Follow-up and Coordination Committee on ECDC (IFCC-IX), held in Manila on 9-12 February 1996, and the Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second, Twentythird and Twenty-fourth Annual Ministerial Meetings of the Group of 77 held in New York respectively in September 1996, September 1997, September 1998, September 1999 and September 2000 the Committee of Experts of the Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund (PGTF) for ECDC/TCDC held its sixteenth meeting in New York from 24 to 26 July 2001.

2. The meeting was attended by the six members of the Committee, representing the three regions of the Group of 77. Dr. Eduardo Praselj was elected chairman of this session. The list of participants appears as annex I.

3. A representative of the Treasury Division of UNDP was invited by the Committee to provide information on matters related to the yield of PGTF resources and the structure of the PGTF portfolio. A representative from the Special Unit for TCDC of UNDP was also invited to provide information on matters related to the PGTF.

- 4. The Committee adopted the following substantive agenda:
 - 1. Review to the operations of the PGTF;
 - 2. Consideration of new project proposals;
 - 3. Assessment of the implementation of approved projects;
 - 4. Other matters.
- 5. The Committee had before it the following documents:
 - 1. Eighteen (18) project proposals;
 - 2. Eleven (11) progress, terminal and financial reports
 - 3. Note by the Office of the Chairman on the status of approved projects
 - 4. Note by UNDP on the composition of the PGTF portfolio.
 - 5. Note by UNDP on the financial status of PGTF
 - 6. Letter from the Chairman of the Group of 77

6. According to the information submitted by UNDP on the financial status of PGTF, total available funds for supporting project proposals in 2001 are approximately US\$796,000, including interest projected to be earned until 31 December 2001. Therefore, in line with

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guideline A(p) for utilization of PGTF the maximum support that could be given to any individual project would be US\$159,200.

II. REVIEW OF THE OPERATIONS OF THE PGTF

7. The Committee examined a number of operational issues regarding the performance of the PGTF, namely highlights of its operations, yield and expansion of its resources, guidelines, operational arrangements, and survey on the impact of PGTF.

Highlights of fourteen years of operation of PGTF (1986-2000)

8. In 1986, a High-level Meeting on ECDC held at Cairo defined the main features for the operationalization of PGTF, including definition of the objectives of the Fund and criteria for project eligibility, as well as operational arrangements for the submission, appraisal and approval of project proposals.

9. The trust fund was established with a core capital of US\$5 million. According to the guidelines for its utilization, normally only the interest accruing on the Fund could be used for project support so as to preserve intact the initial US\$5 million. The core capital plus unexpended resources in any given year constitute the interest-bearing resources (i.e., between US\$6.2 and 6.9 million from 1987 to 2000).

10. From 1986 to 2000, 438 project proposals were submitted to the PGTF and according to the guidelines for its utilization, the Fund has provided support to 105 projects with a total allocation of US\$7.2 million, i.e., a yearly average of 7.5 projects and US\$510,000 respectively.

11. In order to increase the multiplier effect of PGTF resources, the guidelines for utilization of PGTF require that project sponsors secure contributions from other sources of an amount at least equal to the contribution requested from PGTF. Contributions from other sources for the 1986-2000 period amount to US\$14.5 million, i.e., US\$2 for each US\$ of PGTF resources.

12. A breakdown of the areas that have received support from the PGTF is as follows:

| Area | Number of projects | Share of allocated resources (%) |
|---|--------------------|----------------------------------|
| Food and agriculture | 31 | 28 |
| Consulting services, training and other TCDC | | |
| activities | 31 | 24 |
| Trade | 12 | 19 |
| Information exchange and dissemination | 12 | 9 |
| Technology | 8 | 8 |
| Other (industrialization, energy, raw materials and | | |
| finance) | 11 | 11 |
| TOTAL | 105 | 100 |

13. On the basis of country coverage, the PGTF financial support has been distributed in the following manner:

| Country coverage | Number of projects | Share of allocated resources (%) |
|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Interregional projects | 34 | 42 |
| Subregional projects | 53 | 39 |
| Regional projects | 16 | 18 |
| Action Committees | 2 | 1 |
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14. According to the status of implementation of approved projects as of 24 July 2001, the PGTF support has been distributed as follows:

| Status of implementation | Nu | mber of projects | Share of allocated resources (%) |
|---------------------------------|-------|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Completed | | 50 | 63 |
| Under implementation | | 37 | 24 |
| Under preparation | | 7 | 3 |
| Not implemented, funds reverted | | | |
| to PGTF | | 11 | 10 |
| | TOTAL | 105 | 100 |

Yield of PGTF resources

15. Following the recommendations contained in paras. 20-23 of the report of the Committee at its ninth meeting, the situation of the interest rates and yield of PGTF resources was examined by the Committee at its sixteenth meeting.

16. The interest-bearing resources of PGTF include the core capital plus unexpended resources and, according to the information provided by UNDP, total US\$7.2 million as of mid-July 2001. Two bonds for a total of US\$2.9 million have matured in mid-2001 and in light of the great reduction in interest rate levels triggered by repeated cuts in interest rates by the U.S. Federal Reserve Bank, these funds were reinvested in a World Bank bond that would mature in late 2002. As a result the totality of the PGTF portfolio would mature in 2002. (US\$ 3.2 million in early 2002 and US\$3.8 million in late 2002). This provides an opportunity to put in place an investment strategy that under the circumstances would maximize the yield of PGTF resources.

17. The investment strategy comprises the following elements: (a) to wait for the interest reduction cycle to end; (b) to analyze the yield curve to seek the best terms between 2 and 5 years; (c) to stagger maturities from 1 to 5 years to smooth yield volatilities; (d) to invest one million per tranche for the core capital; (e) to invest in securities issued by supranational or government agencies in order to maintain credit quality and enhance yield relative to US Treasury securities; and (f) to make flexible investments in short-term money market instruments for the amount in excess of the core capital.

18. This investment strategy would ensure interest earnings of US\$400,000 in 2001 and an estimated US\$360,000 in 2002.

| Security | Face amount (US\$) | Maturity date | Buy price (% of face value) | Coupon rate (%) | Effective interest rate (%) |
|--------------|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| Bond | 1,175,000 | 02/05/02 | 101.36 | 5.700 | 5.22 |
| Bond | 1,000.000 | 10/28/02 | 101.72 | 6.250 | 5.69 |
| Bond | 2,800,000 | 11/02/02 | 102.15 | 6.015 | 4.48 |
| Time deposit | 2,000,000 | 01/02/02 | 100.00 | - | 3.73 |
| Money Market | 288,325 | | | | |
| TOTAL | 7,263,325 | | | | |

19. A breakdown of the main features of the investments instruments as of mid-July 2001 is as follows:

Expansion of PGTF resources

20. The Committee examined again practical ways of implementing its recommendations regarding the expansion of the PGTF resources as approved by the Twentieth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 in 1996.

21. As identified in 1996, options available for expanding PGTF resources fall within one of the following three categories: (a) increase of the core capital; (b) increase of the yield of the PGTF portfolio; and (c) increase of the multiplier effect of PGTF resources.

(a) Increase of the core capital

22. This option implies the enlisting of contributions from potential donors, which may include interested developed and developing countries as well as intergovernmental and non-governmental institutions and organizations.

23. On the basis of the experience gained from 1996 to 2000 and taking into account the recommendations contained in the Havana Programme of Action adopted by the South Summit, the Committee recommended to focus on the following actions, to be carried out by the Chairman of the Group of 77 in New York, with the support of the Chairman of the Committee of Experts of PGTF and in close coordination with the Chairmen/Coordinators of the other Chapters of the Group of 77.

(i) Contributions by member countries of the Group of 77

24. The Committee welcomed the contributions already made by thirteen developing countries, namely Mauritius (US\$500) in 1997; Pakistan (US\$1,000), and Singapore (US\$2,000) in 1998; the Islamic Republic of Iran (US\$3,000), the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (US\$2,000), Cyprus (US\$2,000), Thailand (US\$2,000), Malaysia (US\$2,000), Algeria (US\$2,000), India (US\$2,000), and the Philippines (US\$1,500) in 1999; China (US\$2,000) and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (a second contribution of US\$2,000), and Egypt (US\$2,000), the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (a third contribution of US\$2,000), and Singapore (a second contribution of US\$2,000) up to 24 July 2001. Total contributions from these countries amount to US\$ 30,000.

25. The Committee noted with satisfaction that two developing countries, namely the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (three contributions) and Singapore (two contributions), had made multiple contributions to the PGTF and invited other countries to follow this encouraging initiative.

26. The Committee stressed again that what is important is to get the largest possible number of developing countries to support PGTF with contributions, and not necessarily the magnitude of individual contributions. The Committee recommended that the Chairman of the Group of 77

renew his appeal for contributions to the PGTF, since even token contributions would have a significant impact as evidence of the commitment of developing countries to South-South cooperation. To this end, the Committee recommended to maintain the notional amount of US\$2,000 as contribution to the Fund but suggested that larger contributions should be sought from member countries in a position to contribute more.

27. The Committee noted that on 26 March 2001 the Group of 77 was informed of a pledge by the Government of Venezuela to contribute US\$1 million to the core resources of the PGTF, as recommended in the Havana Programme of Action. The Committee invited other developing countries to follow this commendable initiative.

28. The Committee reiterated its recommendation that a pledging item be included in the agenda of the Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group in September each year, with a view to enlisting contributions from developing countries to the PGTF resources.

(ii) Contributions by major donor countries

29. The Committee recommended that in the light of the recommendation of the South Summit, the Chairman of the Group of 77 assisted by the members of the Committee of Experts undertakes at an appropriate time to approach major donor countries with a view to enlisting their support. The excellent track record of PGTF as well as the expression of commitment from member countries of the Group of 77 through their contributions to the Fund could represent a powerful persuasive element in this endeavour.

(iii) Contributions by private foundations

30. Even though this option has not been explored so far, it might represent a source of funds for expanding PGTF resources. In this regard, the Committee recommended that a limited number of major potential sources of funding be approached with a view to establishing a durable relationship with these foundations in support of PGTF activities. However, it would be necessary to seek guidance from the Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 on the appropriateness and timeliness of bringing in private sector contributions within the purview of the PGTF.

- (iv) Support by UNDP
- 31. The Committee reiterated the recommendations made in previous meetings, as follows:
 - The UNDP should contribute to the above-mentioned ongoing efforts with a view to mobilizing additional resources for PGTF activities, in accordance with decisions taken by various ministerial meetings of the Group of 77.

The UNDP should be requested to examine the possibilities of releasing unspent resources in existing trust funds. PGTF being an active fund could provide for a much more effective use of resources that are otherwise dormant in inactive or low-activity trust funds. To this end the Committee recommended again that the Chairman of the Group of 77 approach the Administrator of the UNDP.

- One important element in fund raising is to increase awareness of the characteristics, past experience and potential of the PGTF. In this regard, it was felt that appropriate channels should be utilized such as press articles, and interviews in addition to the current dissemination mechanisms undertaken by the Office of the Chairman.

- A better understanding of the main features of an effective fund-raising campaign is necessary so as to increase the prospects of success of this effort. In this connection, experts in this field should be approached in the near future with a view to seeking their advice and incorporate their recommendations where appropriate.

(b) Increase of the yield of the PGTF portfolio

32. Preservation of the PGTF core resources should be the paramount consideration when exploring investment options. In the current economic environment, it seems more prudent to invest in securities having high credit quality even at the expense of lower yields than running higher risks in search of higher yields. In this context, the investment strategy adopted for PGTF resources is to focus on securities issued by supranational and government agencies in order to maintain a high credit quality and enhance the yield relative to US Treasury securities.

(c) Increase of the multiplier effect of PGTF resources

33. One of the available options that has been implemented for increasing the multiplier effect of PGTF resources is through co-financing of projects with third parties. To this end, the guidelines for utilization of PGTF require that the project sponsors secure inputs from sources other than the PGTF of an amount at least equal to the resources requested from PGTF.

34. This practice has proven to be effective. While in the period from 1986 to 1997 for every \$US of contributions of PGTF it has been possible to mobilize \$US 0.9 from other sources, in the period 1998-2000 this ratio was increased to 3.7.

35. Other options is to enter into collaborative arrangements for co-financing with other organizations and institutions. It would be advisable to encourage the signing of memoranda of understanding with interested entities that would provide a framework for identifying and selecting projects for co-financing.

Guidelines for utilization of PGTF

36. In his opening remarks, the Chairman of the Group of 77 suggested that the term of office of the members of the Committee of Experts be increased from three to four years in the light of past experience in filling vacant positions. The Committee felt that this matter should be taken up in the Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77. Should the Ministers decide to modify the term of office of the experts, Guideline B(a) for utilization of PGTF should be amended accordingly.

Operational arrangements

37. The Committee examined the operational arrangements regarding the implementation of approved projects and found two areas where procedures should be clarified and streamlined.

- (i) Whenever feasible, according to Guideline B(e), the Committee shall indicate in its recommendation for adoption of a given project, that disbursements should take place in more than one tranche. Disbursement of subsequent tranches would be subject to timely submission of the corresponding financial and progress reports. In this connection, the Committee found that as a result of recent changes in the UNDP procedures, the UNDP country offices had been given authorization to disburse the totality of funds allocated for a project, after deducting the mandatory withholding of 10 percent, with a view to providing for more decentralized and flexible operations. The Committee noticed that for sixteen projects authorization had been given to disburse the full amount allocated to a project even though the Committee's recommendation called for disbursement in tranches. To avoid the risk of noncompliance with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF, the Committee recommended that in the authorizations issued to UNDP country offices reference should be made to disbursements in tranches, each subsequent tranche being subject to the timely submission of the relevant progress and financial reports.
- (ii) When funds allocated to a given project are significantly lower than the amounts originally requested, there is normally a process of adjustment in the scope and relative weight of components and activities of the project. On two occasions the Committee noted that adjustments in contributions resulted in contributions from other sources lower than the amounts allocated by PGTF, thereby not complying with Guideline A(m). Adjustments should be made in contributions to rectify this situation and measures should be taken to avoid future recurrence.

38. In applying Guideline B(e) the Committee decided that in all its future recommendations for adoption of projects it will indicate whether disbursements would be made in a single tranche or in multiple tranches. To this end, the Committee would be guided by the following indication:

- (i) When allocated funds exceed US\$25,000 for a given project, disbursements would be made in more than one tranches unless the Committee clearly recommends otherwise.
- (ii) For allocations under US\$25,000 disbursements would be made in a single tranche, unless the Committee clearly recommends otherwise.
- (iii) The above tranches are exclusive of the 10 percent withholding, for which there are special disbursement rules.

39. The Committee was informed of recent changes in the United Nations budget procedures shifting from input-based to results-based budgeting. In this regard, the Committee felt that this matter should be carefully examined with a view to introducing, if necessary and appropriate, modifications in the present appraisal and evaluation procedures for PGTF-funded projects.

PGTF and the Havana Programme of Action

40. The Committee was informed by the Chairman of the Group of 77 that the Havana Programme of Action contains a recommendation that "invites the Committee of Experts of the PGTF in close coordination with the Chairman of the G-77 to make an annual allocation of resources from each project cycle of PGTF to support the implementation of the South Summit decisions in various relevant sectors taking into account the guidelines for the utilization of the PGTF."

41. The Committee indicated that PGTF would consider any project proposal falling within the Havana Programme of Action, that is in conformity with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF and within the limits of its financial resources. According to its guidelines, projects supported by the PGTF should correspond to South-South cooperation activities, and in this context, they fall within the purview of the Havana Programme of Action.

Survey of the impact of PGTF

42. On the basis of the recommendation of the Committee at its twelfth meeting in 1997, a survey on the impact and benefits of the projects funded by PGTF was initiated in 1998, with a view to supporting the promotion of the Fund. To date the Office of the Chairman has received information on 26 of the 50 PGTF-supported projects that have been completed. A summary of the results of the survey is presented in section V of this report (paras. 312 to 334).

III. CONSIDERATION OF NEW PROJECT PROPOSALS

43. The Committee had before it eighteen (18) project proposals submitted to avail of the financing of the PGTF. The list of these proposals is as follows:

(1) Quinoa (Cchenopodium quonoa Willd.) a multipurpose crop for agroindustrial uses in the Andean countries

- (2) Analysis of financing policies for agricultural exports from Mercosur member countries
- (3) Improving Awassi Sheep Productivity by Using Frozen Semen in Jordan and the Palestinian Authority
- (4) *Literacy and post-literacy campaign*
- (5) Sustainable Tourism Evaluation Project
- (6) Development of a comprehensive programme of work for the implementation of the results of the Integrated Planning Workshop in Science and Technology for the Caribbean and fostering of collaboration with the smaller countries of Latin America
- (7) Development of Water Resources in Badia Region as an Example of Arid and Semi-Arid Regions
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- (16) Multilateral Trading System Training Center
- (17) Community-Exchange & Training Programme: A Grassroots Capacity-Building & Knowledge-Networking Initiative under the UN Convention to Combat Desertification
- (18) Re-shaping Globalisation for Sustainable Development: Youth Perspectives of the South

44. The following four (4) project proposals were received after the established deadline of 30 April 2001 and therefore were not considered by the Committee at this session. They will be taken up at the next meeting of the Committee.

- (1) Evaluation of Washing Efficiency of Powder Detergent
- (2) Technological transfer in sericulture from Colombia to Ecuador and Bolivia
- (3) Preventive (in Peru) and Control Programme (in Bolivia and Brazil) against anthonomus grandis boheman beaked Mexican of the cotton crop"

(4) Training, Consultation and Awareness Building for Small Hydro Power in Developing Countries

Project Proposal No. 1- Quinoa (Cchenopodium quonoa Willd.) a multipurpose crop for agroindustrial uses in the Andean countries

43. The proposal was submitted by the Universidad Nacional del Altiplano from Puno, Peru through the National Council for Science and Technology of Peru. Participating countries are also Bolivia and Colombia.

44. According to the text of the proposal, the general objective of the project is to establish a collaborative project in the Andean region on the highly nutritive grain crop "Quinoa" for the characterization and improvement of its commercial use in the Andean region, in order to obtain increased family income and food security, and create incomes for small enterprises, utilizing the great genetic variability of the crop. In particular, the project aims at: (a) determining adaptation and uses of selected cultures of quinoa under different agroecological conditions in Bolivia, Colombia and Peru; (b) identifying priority problems in the post-harvest, management and marketing of quinoa; (c) identifying appropriate alliances between quinoa producers and agroindustry in order to ensure timely and adequate supply; and (d) determining the profitability of production, transformation and marketing of quinoa.

45. The cost of the project to be carried out in 18 months is estimated at US\$164,700, the contribution sought from PGTF being US\$74,900. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

| | | Total cost (US\$) | |
|-----------|--------|-------------------|---------|
| Item | Year 1 | Year 2 | Total |
| Personnel | 24,700 | 49,500 | 74,200 |
| Training | 7,000 | 14,000 | 21,000 |
| Travel | 2,000 | 4,000 | 6,000 |
| Equipment | 12,000 | 20,000 | 32,000 |
| Other | 10,500 | 21,000 | 31,500 |
| Total | 56,200 | 108,500 | 164,700 |

46. The Committee considered that this proposal complies with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF, and is therefore eligible for financing. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$74,900 be allocated to this end. This contribution should be disbursed in two tranches, disbursement of the second tranche being subject to the timely presentation of the relevant progress and financial reports.

Project Proposal No. 2 - Analysis of financing policies for agricultural exports from Mercosur member countries

47. The proposal was submitted by the working subgroup No. 8 on agricultural matters of Mercosur member countries through the government of Argentina. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to gather information on the world system for financing agricultural exports, identifying existing policies in the main countries participating in the world agricultural trade.

48. The total cost of the project, to be carried out in a one-year period, is estimated at US\$76,314, the contribution sought from PGTF is US\$59,377. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

| | Total contribution (US | | |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--------|--------|
| Item | PGTF | Other | Total |
| Personnel | 48,200 | 10,000 | 58,200 |
| Travel and perdiems | 8,350 | - | 8,350 |
| Information gathering | - | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Administrative costs | - | 5,937 | 5,937 |
| Other | 2,827 | - | 2,827 |
| Total | 59,377 | 16,937 | 76,314 |

49. The Committee considered that this proposal does not comply with guideline A(m) for utilization of PGTF, which states that all project proposals submitted to PGTF should include inputs from other sources of an amount at least equal to the resources requested from PGTF.

50. The Committee therefore recommended that this project proposal should not avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project Proposal No. 3 - Improving Awassi Sheep Productivity by Using Frozen Semen in Jordan and the Palestinian Authority

51. The proposal was submitted by the Jordan University of Science and Technology, through the Government of Jordan. Participating countries in the project would also be Egypt and Palestine.

52. According to the text of the proposal, the objectives of the project are: (a) to improve the productive potential of Awassi sheep by increasing the rate of lambing and the litter size; (b) to shorten the inter-lambing period and breeding at an early stage from the previous lambing; (c) to produce Awassi frozen semen by using rams of good genetic merits; (d) to study and assess the present situation for the breeding of Awassi sheep; and (e) to diagnose and control infectious and non-infectious diseases causing infertility and great economic losses in sheep at an early stage.

53. The cost of the project to be carried out over a two-year period is estimated at US\$338,000, the contribution requested from PGTF is US\$110,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

| | Total contribution (US\$) | | ion (US\$) |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Item | PGTF | Other | Total |
| Buildings and infrastructure | - | 150,000 | 150,000 |
| Training | - | 3,000 | 3,000 |
| Travel | - | 50,000 | 50,000 |
| Equipment | 110,000 | - | 110,000 |
| Other | - | 25,000 | 25,000 |
| Total | 110,000 | 228,000 | 338,000 |
| | | Total c | ost (US\$) |
| Item | Year 1 | Year 2 | Total |
| Buildings and infrastructure | (*) | (*) | 150,000 |
| | | | |
| Training | 1,500 | 1,500 | 3,000 |
| Training Travel | 1,500 47,000 | 1,500 3,000 | 3,000 50,000 |
| 8 | - | - | |
| Travel | 47,000 | - | 50,000 |

(*) Breakdown not provided in the proposal.

(**) Subtotals for Year 1 and 2 do not include US\$150,000 for buildings and infrastructure.

54. The Committee considered that this proposal complies with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF, and is therefore eligible for financing. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$110,000 be allocated to this end. This contribution should be disbursed in two tranches, disbursement of the second tranche being subject to the timely presentation of the relevant progress and financial reports.

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Project Proposal No. 4 - Literacy and post-literacy campaign

55. The proposal was submitted by the Cuban Ministry of Education. The other participating country would be Haiti.

56. According to the text of the proposal, the overall objective of the project is to teach how to read and write to young Haitian illiterates and adults. In particular, the project outputs are: (a) to prepare manuals for teachers and charts for learners; (b) to train 120 popular teachers from forty selected communities; and (c) to teach over 20,000 Haitians how to read and write in Creole.

57. Total cost of the project to be carried out in one year is estimated at US\$289,200; the contribution sought from PGTF being US\$78,000. A breakdown of the total costs is as follows:

| | Total | ion (US\$) | |
|-----------------------------------|--------|------------|---------|
| Item | PGTF | Other | Total |
| Personnel | - | 110,400 | 110,400 |
| Housing, food and local transport | - | 100,800 | 100,800 |
| Training | 20,000 | - | 20,000 |
| Travel | 3,000 | - | 3,000 |
| Equipment | 40,000 | | 40,000 |
| Other | 15,000 | - | 15,000 |
| Total | 78,000 | 211,200 | 289,200 |

58. In the light of the information provided, the Committee considered that this proposal corresponds to a bilateral cooperation project that is not eligible for funding according to Guideline A(g) for utilization of PGTF. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should not avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project Proposal No. 5 - Sustainable Tourism Evaluation Project

59. The proposal was submitted by the National Institute of Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology of Trinidad and Tobago and endorsed by the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Development of that country.

60. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to identify and evaluate specific sustainable tourism projects, programmes and policies implemented in Mexico, the Bahamas, Barbados, Nicaragua, Trinidad and Tobago, Dominica, and Costa Rica between January 1997 and December 1999. The main outputs of the project would be: (a) a comprehensive report detailing an evaluation of sustainable tourism initiatives in selected Caribbean territories; (b) dissemination of the report via the University of West Indies' Institute

of Business website; and (c) compilation of sustainable tourism case studies as teaching tools for UWI-Institute of Business.

61. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in five months, is estimated at US\$56,200, the contribution sought from PGTF is US\$38,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

| | Total contribution (US\$) | | | |
|-----------|----------------------------------|--------|--------|--|
| Item | PGTF | Other | Total | |
| Personnel | 18,000 | 6,000 | 24,000 | |
| Travel | 20,000 | - | 20,000 | |
| Equipment | - | 8,000 | 8,000 | |
| Other | - | 4,200 | 4,200 | |
| Total | 38,000 | 18,200 | 56,200 | |

62. In the light of the information provided, the Committee considered that it was not possible to ascertain the cooperative element of the project, since there is no written evidence of endorsement of or declared interest in this proposal by other countries as potential beneficiaries, as required by Guidelines A(f) for utilization of PGTF. Moreover, the Committee considered that this proposal does not comply with guideline A(m) for utilization of PGTF, which states that all project proposals submitted to PGTF should include inputs from other sources of an amount at least equal to the resources requested from PGTF.

63. The Committee therefore recommended that this project proposal should not avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project Proposal No. 6 - Development of a comprehensive programme of work for the implementation of the results of the Integrated Planning Workshop in Science and Technology for the Caribbean and fostering of collaboration with the smaller countries of Latin America

64. This proposal was submitted by the Government of Trinidad and Tobago on behalf of the Caribbean Council for Science and Technology.

65. According to the text of the proposal, the objectives of the project are, among others: (a) to provide leadership in science and technology issues in the region through the development of a long-term programme of work; (b) to assist governments, through strengthening their national science councils, in the design and implementation of integrated and coordinated science and technology policies and programmes for development; (c) to promote technology transfer on

South-South cooperation in science and technology; (d) to establish a mechanism for implementing the SIDS/POA as it relates to science and technology issues; and (e) to provide a sustainable mechanism for the mobilization of funds for the implementation of projects developed in science and technology for the region.

66. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in one year is estimated at US\$311,000. The contribution sought from PGTF is US\$66,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

| | Total contribution (US\$) | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------|---------|---------|--|
| Item | PGTF | Other | Total | |
| Personnel | 66,000 | 100,000 | 166,000 | |
| Training | - | 100,000 | 100,000 | |
| Travel | - | 25,000 | 25,000 | |
| Equipment | - | 15,000 | 15,000 | |
| Other | - | 5,000 | 5,000 | |
| Total | 66,000 | 245,000 | 311,000 | |

67. The Committee noted that an identical proposal was submitted last year by the Government of Guyana as indicated in paras. 115-118 of the report of the Fifteenth Meeting of the Committee of Experts. The reason for non-eligibility was that this project represents the continuation of a previous project funded by the PGTF, namely INT/97/K03 - "Integrated Planning and New Technologies for Sustainable Development" that has not been completed. As stated by guideline B(f) for utilization of PGTF, no follow-up project would be considered until the previous one is implemented.

68. The Committee found that project INT/97/K03 has still not been completed and therefore the non-eligibility condition still applies. The status of the implementation of the project INT/97/K03 is described in paras. 214-216 of this report. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should not avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project Proposal No. 7 - Development of Water Resources in Badia Region as an Example of Arid and Semi-Arid Regions

69. The proposal was submitted by the AL al-Bayt University from Jordan and endorsed by the Ministry of Planning of that country. Participating countries would also be Syria and Saudi Arabia.

70. According to the text of the proposal, the objectives of the project are: (a) to develop a holistic scientific approach to analyze, understand, efficiently plan and manage water resources in the Badia region; (b) to promote realistic and practical water management, treatment, re-

utilization and education schemes; and (c) to adopt a regional framework based on a transboundary cooperation between Jordan, Syria, and Saudi Arabia to implement the approach.

71. Total cost of the project to be carried out over a three-year period is estimated at US\$262,220. Contribution sought from PGTF is US\$78,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

| | Total contribution (US\$) | | |
|-------------------|---------------------------|---------|---------|
| Item | PGTF | Other | Total |
| Personnel | - | 106,640 | 106,640 |
| Field work | 27,000 | - | 27,000 |
| Travel | 17,000 | - | 17,000 |
| Equipment | (*) | (*) | 74,180 |
| Other | (*) | (*) | 37,400 |
| Total | 78,000 | 184,220 | 262,220 |
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(*) No breakdown was provided in the text of the proposal.

72. The Committee considered that this proposal in general complies with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF. However, even though the proposal contained a written endorsement from an intergovernmental organization, namely the Arab Centre for Studies of Arid Zones and Dry Lands based in Syria, the Committee felt that written endorsement from Saudi Arabia should also be provided, as required by Guideline A(f).

73. Moreover, the AL al-Bayt University has submitted a second proposal (namely Proposal No. 8) for consideration by the Committee of Experts. According to guideline A(d) for utilization of PGTF, proposing organizations and institutions may submit no more than one project proposal per annum for funding from PGTF. Therefore, the Committee considered both proposals jointly.

Project Proposal No. 8 - Watershed Management in the Northern Badia Region (Sirhan Basin/Jordan) As an example for Desertic Regions

74. The proposal was submitted by the AL al-Bayt University from Jordan and endorsed by the Ministry of Planning of that country. Participating countries would also be Syria and Saudi Arabia.

75. According to the text of the proposal, the overall aim of the project is to achieve a better management of the surface water resources of the Badia region using modern and advanced modeling techniques. In particular, the main objective of the project is to utilize the unused runoff or flood water at the winter time by retention or recharge techniques.

76. Total cost of the project to be carried out over a three-year period is estimated at US\$217,720. The contribution sought from PGTF is \$75,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

Total contribution (US\$)

| Item | PGTF | Other | Total |
|------------|--------|---------|---------|
| Personnel | 6,000 | 42,780 | 48,780 |
| Field work | 15,000 | - | 15,000 |
| Travel | 12,000 | - | 12,000 |
| Equipment | 42,000 | 99,940 | 141,940 |
| Total | 75,000 | 142,720 | 217,720 |

77. The Committee considered that this proposal in general complies with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF. However, as in the case of the previous proposal, even though the proposal contained a written endorsement from an intergovernmental organization, namely the Arab Centre for Studies of Arid Zones and Dry Lands based in Syria, the Committee felt that written endorsement from Saudi Arabia should also be provided, as required by Guideline A(f).

78. In the light of the comments made with regard to project proposal No. 7, the Committee recommended that support be given to project proposal No. 8 and recommended that US\$75,000 be allocated to this end, with the proviso that the outstanding written endorsement is forwarded to the Office of the Chairman no later than 15 September 2001. The Committee also recommended that disbursement of the PGTF contribution be made in two tranches. Disbursement of each tranche would be subject to the timely presentation of the relevant progress and financial reports.

Project Proposal No. 9 - *Training of Maize Breeding Experts for Effective Use of Maize Germplasm in Africa*

79. The proposal was submitted by the Academy of Agricultural Science of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. Participating countries are also Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Guinea, and Mali.

80. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to provide training to participants from four African countries on: (a) introduction of new high-yield maize varieties; (b) analysis of maize production, soil and climate conditions as well as research activities for breeding new maize varieties; (c) establishment of a local maize breeding program through maize germ plasm collection; and (d) establish an information and interchange network for new high-yield maize breeding.

81. Total cost of the project to be carried out in four months is estimated at US\$240,300. The contribution sought from PGTF is \$81,200. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

| | Total | Total contribution (US\$) | | |
|-----------|--------|----------------------------------|---------|--|
| Item | PGTF | Other | Total | |
| Personnel | 41,300 | 69,500 | 110,800 | |
| Training | 7,200 | 18,800 | 26,000 | |
| Travel | 18,600 | 32,400 | 51,000 | |
| Other | 14,100 | 38,400 | 52,500 | |
| Total | 81,200 | 159,100 | 240,300 | |

82. The Committee considered that this proposal complies with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF, and is therefore eligible for financing. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$81,200 be allocated to this end. Given the short duration of the project, the Committee was of the view that this contribution should be disbursed in a single tranche.

Project Proposal No. 10 - Distributed Modeling of Pipe Networks

83. The proposal was submitted by the Jordan University of Science and Technology through the Government of that country. Other participating countries are the United Arab Emirates and Turkey.

84. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to develop distributed algorithms that would make use of cluster computing technologies to reduce the cost associated with pipe networks analysis, enabling the acceleration of tasks such as planning, operation scheduling, quality control, and leakage control in pipe networks.

85. The planned results are expected to directly impact and possibly will be used in many resource distribution system in Jordan, Turkey and the United Arab Emirates, especially water distribution networks.

86. Total cost of the project to be carried out over a two-year period is estimated at US\$160,000. The contribution sought from PGTF is US\$80,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

Total cost (US\$)

| Item | Year 1 | Year 2 | Total |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|
| Personnel | 19,000 | 18,500 | 37,500 |

Total cost (US\$)

| Item | Year 1 | Year 2 | Total |
|-----------|---------|--------|---------|
| Travel | 12,500 | 17,500 | 30,000 |
| Equipment | 80,000 | - | 80,000 |
| Other | 5,500 | 7,000 | 12,500 |
| Total | 117,000 | 43,000 | 160,000 |

87. The Committee considered that this proposal complies with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF, and is therefore eligible for financing. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$80,000 be allocated to this end. This contribution should be disbursed in two tranches, disbursement of the second tranche being subject to the timely presentation of the relevant progress and financial reports.

Project Proposal No. 11 - *The Development of SADC Protocol on Extradition and Protocol on Mutual Legal Assistance*

88. The proposal was submitted by the SADC Legal Sector Coordinating Unit, and endorsed by the Executive Secretary of the Southern African Development Community (SADC), headquartered in Windhoek, Namibia..

89. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to develop two draft protocols, namely the Protocol on Mutual Legal Assistance and the Protocol on Extradition.

90. The total cost of the project to be carried out in a six-month period is estimated at US\$10,000, the totality of which is the contribution sought from PGTF.

91. The Committee noted that the project sponsors have not included inputs from sources other than PGTF. Therefore, this proposal does not comply with guideline A(m) for utilization of PGTF, which states that all project proposals submitted to PGTF should include inputs from other sources of an amount at least equal to the resources requested from PGTF.

92. The Committee therefore recommended that this project proposal should not avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project Proposal No. 12 - *Technical Assistance and support to the Relatively Less Advanced Stage of Economic Development Countries (PMDER) in business missions to the member countries of the Latin American Integration Association*

93. The proposal was submitted by the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI), headquartered in Montevideo, Uruguay.

94. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to organize and support three business missions of businessmen from Bolivia, Ecuador and Paraguay to other Latin American countries with a view to allow them to improve exports of products from these countries.

95. Total cost of the project to be carried out in a two-month period is estimated at US\$204,000. The contribution requested from PGTF is US\$54,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

Total contribution (US\$)

| Item | PGTF | Other | Total |
|---------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|
| Air fare | 26,500 | 10,000 | 36,500 |
| Travel expenses | 10,000 | 69,000 | 79,000 |
| Logistics and other local costs | - | 9,000 | 9,000 |
| Technical assistance | 17,500 | 35,500 | 53,000 |
| Other | - | 26,900 | 26,900 |
| Total | 54,000 | 150,400 | 204,400 |

96. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF and is therefore eligible for financing. However, the Committee considered that only the technical assistance component (US\$17,500) of the contribution requested from PGTF falls within the purview of expenditures that could be financed by PGTF according to the guidelines.

97. The Committee therefore recommended that this project avails from the financing of PGTF and that US\$17,500 be allocated to that end. Given the duration of the project, this contribution should be disbursed in a single tranche.

Project Proposal No. 13 - Water and energy optimization in sugar and alcohol integrated production (WESAP)

98. This project proposal was submitted by the Cuban Research Institute for Sugarcane Byproducts (ICIDCA), and endorsed by the Government of Cuba. Other participating countries are Argentina and Mexico. 99. According to the text of the proposal, the overall objective of the project is to improve understanding, in all institutions involved, of the methods for overall management, control and operation of energy efficient, environmentally respectful and economically sound process plant in the sugar cane and alcohol industry. An immediate objective is to establish new criteria and develop the methodology and software tools for improving the energy management in sugar and alcohol integrated production.

100. Total cost of the project to be carried out over a two-year period is estimated at US\$176,000. The contribution sought from PGTF is US\$86,000. A breakdown of the requested PGTF contribution is as follows:

PGTF contribution (US\$)

| Item | Year 1 | Year 2 | Total |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|
| Personnel | 28,000 | 15,000 | 43,000 |
| Travel | 6,000 | 6,000 | 12,000 |
| Equipment | 15,000 | 10,000 | 25,000 |
| Other | 3,000 | 3,000 | 6,000 |
| Total | 52,000 | 34,000 | 86,000 |

101. The sponsors and other sources contribution include personal computers, software tools, measurement instruments, and office supplies.

102. The Committee considered that this proposal complies with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF, and is therefore eligible for financing. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$86,000 be allocated to this end. This contribution should be disbursed in two tranches, disbursement of the second tranche being subject to the timely presentation of the relevant progress and financial reports.

Project Proposal No. 14 - *Training Session ''Development of windbreakers in countries with a tropical or subtropical climate using a 'systems approach'''*

103. The proposal was submitted by the Tunisian Technical Cooperation Agency.

104. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to provide training on reforestation outside of forests using a systems approach. Implementation of this approach includes the search of a dominant positive interaction between the protecting trees and the protected crops, as well as generation of economic value added.

105. Total cost of the project to be carried out in two weeks is estimated at US\$82,000, the totality of which is the contribution sought from PGTF.

106. In the light of the information provided, the Committee considered that it was not possible to ascertain the cooperative element of this project since even though fifteen countries are mentioned as potential beneficiaries of the project, no written evidence of support by any of them has been provided to the Committee, as required by Guideline A(f). Moreover, since the proposal contains no inputs from sources other than the PGTF, it does not comply with guideline A(m) for utilization of PGTF, which states that all project proposals submitted to PGTF should include inputs from other sources of an amount at least equal to the resources requested from PGTF.

107. The Committee recommended that this proposal should not avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project Proposal No. 15 - Seminar on the establishment of small and medium-sized enterprises: source of revenues and employment

108. The proposal was submitted by the Tunisian Agency for Technical Cooperation.

109. According to the text of the proposal, the objectives of the project is to provide training on the various ways and means utilized for developing the creation of small and medium-sized enterprises.

110. Total cost of the project to be carried out in a two-week period is estimated at US\$82,500, the totality of which is the contribution sought from PGTF.

111. The Committee noted that this is the second project proposal submitted by the same institution for consideration at this session. According to guideline A(d) for utilization of PGTF, proposing organizations and institutions may submit no more than one project proposal per annum for funding from PGTF. Therefore, the Committee considered both proposals jointly (namely No. 14 and 15).

112. In the light of the information provided, the Committee considered that it was not possible to ascertain the cooperative element of this project since even though fifteen countries are mentioned as potential beneficiaries of the project, no written evidence of support by any of them has been provided to the Committee, as required by Guideline A(f). Moreover, since the proposal contains no inputs from sources other than the PGTF, it does not comply with guideline A(m) for utilization of PGTF, which states that all project proposals submitted to PGTF should include inputs from other sources of an amount at least equal to the resources requested from PGTF.

113. The Committee recommended that this proposal should not avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project Proposal No. 16 - Multilateral Trading System Training Center

114. This proposal was submitted by the Institute of Diplomatic Studies of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Arab Republic of Egypt. The proposal was endorsed by the States Members of the League of Arab States.

115. According to the text of the proposal, the overall objective of the project is to enhance and increase awareness of government officials in developing countries involved in the process of evaluating and formulating national policies concerning international trade issues. An immediate objective is to establish a training programme, consultancy and information service to train and serve government officials from developing countries who are involved in the multilateral trading system negotiations.

116. Total cost of the project to be carried out over a two-year period is estimated at US\$176,520. The contribution sought from PGTF is US\$86,000. The contribution from other sources, amounting to US\$90,520 includes US\$24,520 from the Egyptian government plus US\$66,000 from a source not identified in the project proposal.

117. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF and that is therefore eligible for funding. In this regard, the Committee recommended that this proposal avails from the financing of PGTF and that US\$86,000 be allocated to this end. The PGTF contribution should be disbursed in two tranches, disbursement of the second tranche being subject to timely presentation of the relevant progress and financial reports. This recommendation is made with the proviso that the project sponsors provide the necessary information about the contribution of US\$66,000 from the source that has not yet been identified, prior to the signature of the project document.

Project Proposal No. 17 - Community-Exchange & Training Programme: A Grassroots Capacity-Building & Knowledge-Networking Initiative under the UN Convention to Combat Desertification

118. The proposal was submitted by the Global Mechanism of the UN Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD).

119. According to the text of the proposal, the project seeks to: (a) enable beneficiaries and managers of ongoing projects to keep abreast of technical, organizational and institutional options through their link-up with other relevant projects; (b) lay the groundwork for new investment opportunities favoring natural resources users living in marginal and drought prone areas; (c) engage in wide-scale dissemination of lessons learned, regarding best practices; and (d) develop a community exchange bank regarding training and exchange opportunities for field

project personnel.

120. Total cost of the project, to be carried out over a three-year period, is estimated at US\$1,050,000. The contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$100,000. No breakdown of the project costs was provided in the project proposal. Other sources contribution includes US\$500,000 from the Global Mechanism and US\$450,000 from IFAD.

121. In the light of the information provided, the Committee considered that this proposal does not comply with Guideline A(c) for utilization of PGTF which states that the Fund should not be used as a substitute for resources available to the United Nations activities in favour of economic cooperation among developing countries.

122. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should not avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project Proposal No. 18 - *Re-shaping Globalisation for Sustainable Development: Youth Perspectives of the South*

123. The proposal was submitted by the Revolution's Youth Union of Syria.

124. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to organize a training programme/conference on key aspects of environmental development as a contribution to the youth preparations of the South for the World Summit on Sustainable Development and for the promotion of networking, exchange of experiences and capacity building for youth organizations of the South in support of economic and technical cooperation among developing countries.

125. Total cost of the project is estimated at US\$120,000. The contribution from the PGTF amounts to US\$45,000. No information about the duration of the project was provided in the proposal.

126. The documentation available to the Committee for consideration of this project was an advance summary copy of the proposal and the full text was not available during the meeting of the Committee. It was therefore not possible to ascertain whether the project is eligible and to make any recommendation regarding support from PGTF to the project.

127. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should not avail from the financing of PGTF.

ECDC/TCDC Information Support to the Group of 77 Chapters - Journal of the Group of 77

128. The Chairman of the Group of 77 submitted a written request to the Committee of **Experts for extending the support that PGTF has been giving to the publication of the** *Journal of the Group of* 77. This project (INT/95/K03) was approved by Nineteenth Annual Ministerial

Meeting in 1995 for a duration of two years (1996-1997) with a PGTF contribution of US\$51,120 (US\$25,560 per annum). The *Journal* is currently being published by the Office of the Chairman in collaboration with Inter Press Service (IPS).

129. The Chairman stressed the general view that the *Journal* represented an important means of promoting closer cooperation among the Chapters of the Group of 77 through regular exchange of information as well as to provide relevant and timely news coverage of activities and events of interest to members of the Group of 77. Finally, the Chairman expressed his commitment to make the *Journal* a more useful and relevant information tool in the day-to-day work of the Group of 77 in all its Chapters.

130. In the light of the above, the Committee recommended a final budget increase to project INT/95/K03 in its present form, as a bridging solution towards phasing out PGTF support for this project and developing a permanent arrangement for the Journal, with the following provisos:

- (i) The budget increase would provide for the publication of a maximum of 12 issues of the Journal within a period no longer than 18 months following the approval by the Ministerial Meeting;
- (ii) The budget increase would amount to US\$2,000 for each published issue, i.e., a maximum of US\$24,000. Any unspent resources after the 18-month period should revert to the PGTF;
- (iii) Suitable modalities and collaborating organizations for future production and publication of the Journal should be explored;
- (iv) Due consideration should be given to the rationalization of expenses in particular those relating to mailing and distribution;
- (v) The feasibility of enlisting alternative sources of financial support should be examined;
- (vi) A more intensive use of information technology for dissemination of the Journal should be pursued in addition to continued dissemination through printed issues;
- (vii) Options for publishing the Journal in the official languages of the Group of 77 should be explored.

Summary of project proposals recommended for adoption

131. In summary, the Committee recommended that the following eight (8) new project proposals plus a budget increase for an existing project avail from the financing of PGTF and resources allocated to this end amount to US\$634,600. A breakdown of this total is as follows:

| Proj | ect Allocation (US\$) |
|------|--|
| (1) | Quinoa (Cchenopodium quonoa Willd.) a multipurpose crop |
| | for agroindustrial uses in the Andean countries |
| (2) | Improving Awassi Sheep Productivity by Using Frozen Semen in Jordan |
| | and the Palestinian Authority 110,000 |
| (3) | Watershed Management in the Northern Badia Region |
| | (Sirhan Basin/Jordan) as an example for Desertic Regions |
| (4) | Training of Maize Breeding Experts for Effective Use of Maize |
| | <i>Germplasm in Africa</i> |
| (5) | Distributed Modeling of Pipe Networks |
| (6) | Technical Assistance and support to the Relatively Less Advanced |
| | Stage of Economic Development Countries (PMDER) in business missions |
| | to the member countries of the Latin American Integration Association 17,500 |
| (7) | Water and energy optimization in sugar and alcohol integrated |
| | <i>production (WESAP)</i> |
| (8) | Multilateral Trading System Training Center |
| (9) | Budget increase for project INT/95/K03: Journal of the Group of 77 24,000 |
| | <i>Total</i> 634,600 |

178. According to the information provided by UNDP, total available resources for funding new project proposals in 2001 amount to approximately US\$796,000. This amount includes the interest expected to be earned from 1 January to 31 December 2001. A detailed breakdown of the financial status of PGTF is provided in Annex III.

179. The Committee noted that African institutions and organizations have consistently submitted project proposals in the recent years and that many of these proposals were given support from the PGTF. However, in 2001 the Committee did not receive eligible proposals from the African region. In this regard, the Committee would like to encourage governments and institutions from the region, to continue submitting proposals to the PGTF as has been the case in the recent past.

IV. ASSESSMENT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF APPROVED PROJECTS

180. The Committee examined the status of implementation of the projects adopted by IFCC-VI held in Havana in September 1987, by the Twelfth Annual Meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Group of 77 held in New York in September 1988, by IFCC-VII held in Kuala Lumpur in July-August 1989, by the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth and Sixteenth Annual Meetings of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Group of 77 held respectively in New York in September 1989, October 1990, September 1991 and October 1992, by IFCC-VII held in Panama City in August-September 1993 and by the Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-First, Twenty-second, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Annual Meetings of Ministers for Foreign Affairs, held in New York respectively in September 1994, September 1995, September 1996, September 1997, September 1998, September 1999 and September 2000.

181. The following eleven (11) progress, terminal and financial reports on projects under implementation were made available to the Committee of Experts:

- (1) Final report submitted by the Center for Science and Technology of the Non-Aligned and other Developing Countries for project INT/94/K06 - Low-cost housing technology programme"
- (2) Final report submitted by the Committee for Standardization of the D.P.R. of Korea for project INT/99/K02 - Technical Assistance based on the Regional Approach in the Field of Standardization, Metrology and Quality Control among Developing Countries"
- (3) Final Report submitted by the All Nigeria United Nations Students and Youth Association (ANUNSA) for project INT/98/K07 - International Youth Leadership Training for the Promotion of South-South Cooperation"
- (4) Final report submitted by the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture from Guyana for the project INT/96/K05 - South-South Transfer of Experiences in Sustainable Agriculture Development"
- (5) Final report and financial statement submitted by the International Network on Small Hydro Power from China for project INT/98/K06 - Training, Consultation, Awareness and Capacity Building for Small Hydro Power in Developing Countries"
- (6) Final report submitted by the Latin American Integration Association for project INT/98/K08 Master Plan for the Sustainable Development of Transportation and related Infrastructure in South America"
- (7) Final report submitted by the Universidad de los Andes from Venezuela for project INT/98/K18 Development of a kit for the diagnosis of the Chagas Disease"
- (8) Final report submitted by the Pro-Tempore Secretariat of the Amazon Cooperation Treaty (Venezuela) for project INT/99/K09 - Preparation, reproduction and distribution of the Second Edition of the CD-ROM of the Pro-Tempore Secretariat of the Amazon Cooperation Treaty"
- (9) Report and financial statement submitted by the Caribbean Council for Science and Technology for project INT/97/K03 - Integrated Planning and New Technologies for Sustainable Development'
- (10) Financial statement submitted by the Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 for project INT/90/K08 Support to the Committee of Experts of PGTF"
- (11) Progress report submitted by the Centre for Science and Technology of the Non-Aligned and Other Developing Countries for project INT/97/K02 -Biological control of pests and weeds for sustainable agriculture and biodiversity"

182. According to the status of their implementation, approved projects can be grouped into several categories:

- (a) **Projects completed**;
- (b) **Projects under implementation**;
- (c) Projects under preparation still to be implemented;
- (d) Projects not implemented and allocated funds reverted to PGTF;
- (e) Projects under query.

183. Completed and non-implemented projects could be considered as inactive and their main features are included as reference in Annex II.

A. Projects under implementation

184. Thirty-seven (37) approved projects were being implemented as of the date of the Fifteenth Meeting of the Committee of Experts. This total is the result of thirty-five (35) projects that were under implementation during the period between the fifteenth and the sixteenth meetings of the Committee, plus fourteen (14) that started being implemented during this period, and minus twelve (12) projects that were completed. Detailed information on the status of these projects is provided below:

(1) ECDC/TCDC Information Support to Group of 77 Chapters (Phase III) - Journal of the Group of 77

185. Submitter: Inter Press Service (IPS) Third World News Agency through the Government of Costa Rica as Chairman of the Group of 77 for 1996 Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$51,120 Other inputs: US\$45,600 Number: INT/95/K03/A/95/99 **Duration: Two (2) years** Approval: Nineteenth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 29 September 1995) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed on 15 April 1996 by the Chairman of the Group of 77 also on behalf of the Government of Costa Rica and on 22 April 1996 by UNDP. The sub-contract agreement concluded between the Government of Costa Rica as Chairman of the Group of 77 for 1996 and Inter Press Service is dated 19 August 1996. Status of submission of financial report: The sub-contractor has submitted a financial statement.

186. Disbursement of the funds allocated for the first year of the project (1996) was requested from UNDP in September 1996 as follows: \$20,760 to IPS and \$4,800 to the Group of 77.

187. A financial statement on project activities undertaken during 1996 was submitted by the subcontractor on 25 June 1997 and by the Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 on 5 June 1998.

188. The project provided for publication of 24 issues in a two-year period, starting in 1996. The actual schedule of issues published was: 9 in 1996, 5 in 1997, 5 in 1998, 3 in 1999, 2 in 2000 and 1 in 2001.

189. In mid-January 2001 the UNDP authorized disbursement of the second tranche of US\$25,560. This total includes US\$20,760 to IPS and \$4,800 to the Group of 77. A final report and financial statement is to be submitted.

(2) Caribbean Regional Technical Support Programme to Promote the Equalization of Training and Employment Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities

190. Submitter: National Centre for Persons with Disabilities (NCPD) of Trinidad and Tobago, through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Trinidad and Tobago. Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$90,000 Other inputs: US\$90,000 Number: INT/96/K02/A/95/99 **Duration: Two (2) years** Approval: Twentieth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed on behalf of the Government of Trinidad and Tobago on 31 January 1997 and by UNDP on 21 February 1997. The Sub-contract agreement was signed in March 1997 by the Ministry of Social Development of the Government of Trinidad and Tobago and the National Centre for Persons with Disabilities. Status of submission of financial report: The sub-contractor has submitted a financial statement.

191. On 9 April 1997, the Special Unit for TCDC of UNDP requested the UNDP Resident Representative in Trinidad and Tobago to make an initial disbursement of US\$45,000.

192. A copy of a progress report covering the period April-October 1997 was received by the Office of the Chairman on 19 January 1998 together with a statement of expenditure and a request for the disbursement of the second tranche of \$45,000.

193. According to UNDP reports, a second tranche of US\$40,500 (i.e., less the token 10% withholding) was disbursed to the subcontractor in 1998.

194. The Committee recommended at its fifteenth meeting that the Office of the Chairman request the sub-contractor to submit the outstanding final report and statement of expenditures for the project before 31 December 2000.

- 195. A reminder was sent on 10 May 2001 by email requesting the outstanding reports.
- (3) Program for Cooperation in Training and Development of Technologies to Support Primary Health Care in African Countries with Portuguese Official Language

196. Submitter: Oswaldo Cruz Foundation (FIOCRUZ) through the Government of Brazil. Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$59,300 Other inputs: US\$60,000 Number: INT/96/K04/A/95/99 Duration: One (1) year Approval: Twentieth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed on behalf of the Government of Brazil on 17 June 1997 and by UNDP on 24 June 1997. The subcontract agreement concluded between the Government of Brazil and the Oswaldo Cruz Foundation was signed on 24 March 1997. Status of submission of financial report: A copy of the financial statement for the second tranche of funds is being awaited.

197. Disbursement of a first tranche of US\$29,650 was made through the UNDP Resident Representative in Brazil. A progress report was submitted on 9 June 1998.

198. A copy of the financial statement of expenditure for the first tranche was received by the Office of the Chairman on 10 September 1998. Disbursement of the second tranche of US\$26,685 was authorized by UNDP on 12 January 1999.

199. On 20 December 1999, 3 March 2000 and 25 April 2000, the Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations informed the Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 that the technical seminar on Management and epidemiological vigilance in public health within the framework of the project had to be postponed.

200. Three reminders requesting submission of progress and financial reports were sent, the last on 18 May 2001. No replies have been received from the subcontractor.

(4) Rural Education and Agricultural Extension Facility for the Nomads of the Sahel and

Sahara Regions

Submitter: Foundation for Social Peace of Niger, with endorsement of the General 201. Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference. Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$85,000 Other inputs: US\$659,340 Number: INT/96/K06/A/95/99 **Duration: One (1) year** Approval: Twentieth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Organization of the Islamic Conference on 16 December 1996 and by UNDP on 18 February 1997. The sub-contract agreement concluded between the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the Foundation for Social Peace was signed on 1 March 1997. Status of submission of financial report: The sub-contractor has submitted a financial statement.

202. An initial disbursement of US\$45,000 was made through the UNDP Resident Representative in Niger in May 1997.

203. A financial statement of expenditures for the first tranche was submitted to UNDP by the Organization of the Islamic Conference on 17 June 1997.

204. On 24 June 1997, the Special Unit for TCDC of UNDP requested the UNDP Resident Representative in Niger to make the second tranche of US\$40,000.

205. A copy of a progress report was received by the Office of the Chairman on 9 September 1997.

206. The Committee recommended at its fifteenth meeting that the Office of the Chairman request the sub-contractor to submit the outstanding final report and statement of expenditure before 31 December 2000.

207. The Organization of the Islamic Conference was requested to follow up on the status of the project via fax of 11 May 2001.

- (5) A study on the impact of enhancing environmental standards on international trade of South Asian countries
- 208. Submitter: Research and Information System (RIS) for the Non-Aligned and Other Developing Countries in India. Subcontractor: Same as above

PGTF input: US\$24,850 Other inputs: US\$24,850 Number: INT/97/K01 Duration: Two (2) years Approval: Twenty-first Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 1997) Date of signature of relevant documents: Project document and subcontract agreement signed and received by UNDP on 2 June 1999.

209. In the first half of 2000 the UNDP authorized its Resident Representative in India to disburse the first tranche of US\$11,183 to the sub-contractor.

210. Third reminder requesting information on the status of the project was sent on 10 May 2001. The subcontractor has requested an extension of eight months and the disbursement of the balance of funds. On 15 May 2001, the UNDP country office in India requested the work plan in order to seek authorization from the Special Unit for TCDC for the extension.

- (6) Biological Control of Pests and Weeds for Sustainable Agriculture and Bio-diversity
- 211. Submitter: Centre for Science and Technology of the Non-Aligned and Other Developing Countries in India.
 Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$25,000
 Other inputs: US\$25,000
 Number: INT/97/K02
 Duration: Three (3) years
 Approval: Twenty-first Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 1997)
 Date of signature of relevant documents: Project document and subcontract agreement signed and received by UNDP on 2 June 1999.

212. In the second half of 1999 the UNDP disbursed a first tranche of US\$11,250 to the subcontractor. In the first half of 2000 authorization for disbursement of a second tranche of the same amount was given by the UNDP to the country office in India.

213. The sub-contractor submitted a progress report on 27 February 2001 and requested disbursement of the last tranche of US\$2,500 on 9 May 2001. Expenditure report submitted on 21 May 2001.

- (7) Integrated Planning and New Technologies for Sustainable Development
- 214. Submitter: Caribbean Council for Science and Technology in Trinidad and Tobago. Subcontractor: Same as above

PGTF input: US\$37,560 Other inputs: US\$41,720 Number: INT/97/K03 Duration: Three days (tentative) Approval: Twenty-first Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 1997) Date of signature of relevant documents: To be obtained.

215. On 30 March 1999, a disbursement of US\$30,560 was made to the sub-contractor.

216. A letter asking for a status of the project was sent on 26 September 2000, and a reminder was sent by email on 10 May 2001. The substantive report on the project dated December 1999 and a financial report dated 28 August 2000 were received on 25 May 2001.

- (8) Positioning of a Gender Program in Cooperatives in the Andean Region
- 217. Submitter: International Cooperative Alliance, Office of the Americas in Costa Rica. Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$61,500 Other inputs: US\$85,000 Number: INT/97/K04 Duration: One (1) year Approval: Twenty-first Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 1997) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by Government of Costa Rica on 12 March 1998 and by UNDP on 27 April 1998.

218. UNDP reports indicate a disbursement of US\$55,234 for this project in 1998. In1999 US\$6,265 were disbursed to the sub-contractor.

219. A financial report was received on 24 June 1999 and the final budget revision was requested on 21 May 2001.

- (9) Emergency control measures of the Moroccan locust and other insect pests
- 220. Submitter: Iraqi General Body for Agricultural Research Subcontractor: Not required. PGTF input: US\$50,000 Other inputs: US\$380,000 Number: INT/98/K02 Duration: 2 years Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by Government of Iraq on 27 December 1999 and by UNDP on 3 December 1999.

221. On 26 June 2000 the UNDP authorized the Resident Representative in Baghdad to disburse US\$45,000 (90% of PGTF allocation) to the Ministry of Agriculture of Iraq.

222. Progress and financial reports were received by the UNDP on 24 May 2001.

(10) Programme for women and youth in the Sahel region

Submitter: Sahel DEFIS, with headquarters in Burkina Faso. Subcontractor: Sahel DEFIS, PGTF input: US\$30,000 Other inputs: US\$224,280 Number: INT/98/K04 Duration: Two years. Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by Government of Benin on 3 March 1999 and by UNDP on 3 May 1999.

223. On 16 August 1999, the UNDP authorized its Resident Representative in Burkina Faso to disburse US\$13,500 to the subcontractor. On 10 March 2000, the UNDP authorized disbursement of a second tranche of the same amount, and the remaining 10 percent was disbursed on 12 September 2000. The final report and financial statement for the project were requested on 22 May 2001.

- (11) Building technical competence in the area of conformity assessment in the Latin American region
- 224. Submitter: National Institute of Metrology, Standardization and Industrial Quality of Brazil through the Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations Subcontractor: Centro para Inovaçao e Competitividade (CIC) PGTF input: US\$50,000 Other inputs: US\$70,000 Number: INT/98/K05 Duration: 2 years Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Brazil on 1 June 2000 and by UNDP on 19 May 2000.
- 225. On 23 June 2000 the UNDP authorized its Resident Representative in Brazil to disburse

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US\$45,000 (90% of the PGTF allocation) to IAAC (Inter-American Accreditation Cooperation), the implementing agency.

- 226. A request for submission of the progress and financial reports was made on 22 May 2001.
- (12) Harmonisation of agricultural policies of the COMESA Member States
- 227. Submitter: Secretariat of the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa, headquartered in Lusaka, Zambia.
 Subcontractor: Not required.
 PGTF input: US\$60,000
 Other inputs: US\$420,000(estimated)
 Number: INT/98/K09
 Duration: 1 year
 Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
 Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by COMESA on 16 April 1999 and by UNDP on 31 March 1999.

228. On 10 March 2001 the UNDP country office disbursed the first tranche of US\$27,000 to COMESA. A budget revision report was requested from the country office and a reminder was sent on 17 April 2001.

(13) Technology linkage through sharing and cooperation among developing countries

229. Submitter: Asian Alliance of Appropriate Technology Practitioners (Approtech), headquartered in Manila, Philippines.
Subcontractor: Same as above.
PGTF input: US\$100,000
Other inputs: US\$150,000
Number: INT/98/K10
Duration: 3 years
Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of the Philippines on 11 June 1999 and by UNDP on 13 April 2000.

230. The UNDP country office in the Philippines was authorized on 29 August 2000 to disburse US\$90,000 to the subcontractor. However, no progress was made on this project in 2000 no government agency was identified to execute the project.

231. A revised work and financial plan for the project was submitted to the UNDP on 4 December 2000, and following a request from the Government of the Philippines in a letter dated

5 March 2001, Approtech was identified as both the implementing and the executing agency.

232. The UNDP country office disbursed US\$56,000 to the subcontractor on 29 March 2001.

(14) Subregional intellectual property system

233. Submitter: The Andean Community. Subcontractor: Not required. PGTF input: US\$50,000 Other inputs: US\$50,000 Number: INT/98/K11 Duration: 2 years Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Andean Community Secretariat on 16 June 1999 and by UNDP on 13 May 1999.

234. On 13 August 1999 the UNDP authorized its Resident Representative in Peru to disburse the first tranche of US\$22,500 to the Andean Community.

235. Two requests for submission of progress reports on the project have been made on 21 September 2000 and 22 March 2001.

(15) Regional remote sensing activities

236. Submitter: Southern African Development Community (SADC), with headquarters in Gaborone, Botswana.
Subcontractor: Not required.
PGTF input: US\$50,000
Other inputs: US\$400,000
Number: INT/98/K12
Duration: 2 years
Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by SADC on 27 October 1999 and by UNDP on 3 January 2000.

237. On 23 June 2000 the UNDP authorized its Resident Representative in Botswana to disburse US\$45,000 (90% of the PGTF allocation) to SADC.

238. A request for a submission of progress and financial reports was made on 22 March 2001.

- (16) Establishment of a statistical service unit and access of World Bank live database
- 239. Submitter: Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity, with headquarters in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia Subcontractor: Not required

PGTF input: US\$80,000 Other inputs: US\$1,206,690 Number: INT/98/K14 Duration: 3 years Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by OAU/AEC on 31 December 1998 and by UNDP on 19 January 1999.

240. On 10 July 2000, the UNDP authorized its Resident Representative in Ethiopia to disburse US\$72,000 (90% of the PGTF allocation) to the OAU secretariat.

241. On 7 June 2001, a request was made for submission of progress report and financial statement.

- (17) Macro-economic and sectoral cooperation programme
- 242. Submitter: Secretariat of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) headquarted in Lagos, Nigeria
 Subcontractor: Not required
 PGTF input: US\$100,000
 Other inputs: US\$194,000
 Number: INT/98/K15
 Duration: 1 year
 Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
 Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by ECOWAS secretariat on 29 December 1999 and by UNDP on 3 November 1999.

243. On 26 June 2000, the UNDP authorized its Resident Representative in Nigeria to disburse the first tranche of US\$50,000 to ECOWAS.

244. On 22 March 2001, a request was made for submission of progress report and financial statement.

- (18) Strengthening of the competitive capacities of micro, small and medium-size enterprises as an employment-generating factor using the technical and economic cooperation mechanism between Latin America and the Caribbean and Africa
- 245. Submitter: Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American Economic System, with headquarters in Caracas, Venezuela Subcontractor: Not required PGTF input: US\$100,000

Other inputs: US\$403,000 Number: INT/98/K16 Duration: 3 years Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the SELA secretariat on 15 November 1998 and by UNDP on 14 January 1999.

246. A first tranche of US\$33,000 was disbursed to SELA. On 5 May 2000, the Office of the Chairman received the progress and financial reports regarding the activities funded by the first tranche, as well as the work programme for the second tranche.

247. On 8 June 2000, the UNDP authorized its Resident Representative in Venezuela to disburse the second tranche of US\$57,000 to SELA.

248. On 22 March 2001, a request was made for submission of progress report and financial statement.

- (19) Development of information network and database system for NAM-CSSTC
- 249. Submitter: Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia. Subcontractor: To be awarded if required PGTF input: US\$30,000 Other inputs: US\$970,950 (estimated) Number: INT/99/K01 Duration: Three years. Approval: Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Indonesia in July 2001.
- (20) Technical assistance in the field of standardization, metrology and quality management among developing countries

250. Submitter: Committee for Standardization of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. Subcontractor: To be awarded if required PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$73,667 Number: INT/99/K02 Duration: One year. Approval: Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on 29 March 2000 and by UNDP on 28 January 2000.

251. On 1 May 2000, the UNDP authorized its Resident Representative in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to disburse US\$22,500 (90% of the PGTF allocation) to the Committee for Standardization of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

252. The final report was submitted by the subcontractor. On 15 May 2001, the Resident Representative was authorized to disburse the remaining 10 per cent of PGTF resources.

- (21) Transportation information system (TIS) for the member countries of the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI)
- 253. Submitter: Secretariat of ALADI Subcontractor: Not required. PGTF input: US\$37,000 Other inputs: US\$113,800 Number: INT/99/K03 Duration: 10 months Approval: Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Secretariat of ALADI on 3 July 2000 and by UNDP on 1 May 2000.

254. On 4 August 2000, UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in Uruguay to disburse US\$33,300 to ALADI. A budget revision was submitted on 27 April 2001.

- (22) Setting up a common framework for managing shared island fisheries resources in the COMESA region
- 255. Submitter: The Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) Subcontractor: Not required.
 PGTF input: US\$38,000
 Other inputs: US\$120,000
 Number: INT/99/K04
 Duration: Two years.
 Approval: Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 24 September 1999)
 Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by UNDP on 9 November 2000 and by the Secretary-General of COMESA on 9 March 2001.

256. On 5 July 2001, the UNDP authorized the country office in Zambia to disburse US\$34,200 to COMESA.

- (23) Pacific islands regional biomass energy resource assessment programme (PIRBERAP)
- 257. Submitter: The South Pacific Applied Geoscience Commission (SOPAC) Subcontractor: Relevant NGOs. PGTF input: US\$34,000 Other inputs: US\$166,000 Number: INT/99/K05/A/95/99 Duration: Two years. Approval: Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 24 September 1999). Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the UNDP on 4 December 2000 and by the Director of SOPAC on 10 January 2001.

258. On 20 February 2001 the UNDP authorized the country office in Fiji to disburse \$US30,600.

- (24) Development of innovative systems for programme management and revenue generation for ASEAN science and technology
- 259. Submitter: ASEAN Secretariat. Subcontractor: Not required. PGTF input: US\$34,000 Other inputs: US\$76,305 Number: INT/99/K07/A/95/99 Duration: Six months. Approval: Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 24 September 1999). Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the UNDP on 4 December 2000 and by the Secretary-General of ASEAN on 17 April 2001.

260. On 16 May 2001, the UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in Indonesia to disburse US\$30,600 to ASEAN.

- (25) Citrus certification programmes in Central America and the Caribbean
- 261. Submitter: Instituto de Investigaciones de Cítiricos y otros Frutales, Cuba. Subcontractor: Same as above. PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$25,000 Number: INT/99/K10/A/95/99 Duration: One year. Approval: Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 24 September 1999).

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Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the UNDP on 4 December 2000 and by the Government of Cuba on 8 January 2001. A subcontract was signed with the Instituto de Investigaciones de Cítricos ((IICF).

262. On 20 February 2001, the UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in Cuba to disburse US\$31,500 to the subcontractor.

- (26) Promotion of alternative energy resources in African countries parties to the CCD
- 263. Submitter: Governments of Botswana, Cameroon, Kenya and Niger Subcontractor: To be awarded if required. PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$135,000 Number: INT/99/K12 Duration: One year. Approval: Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Governments of Botswana, Cameroon, Kenya and Niger on 6 June 2000.

264. On 13 July 2000, the UNDP authorized a disbursement of US\$22,500 to the subcontractor. Submission of the progress report was requested on 6 April 2001 and a reminder was faxed on 2 May 2001.

- (27) Support to community pilot project in Algeria, Mali and Niger
- 265. Submitter: Governments of Algeria, Mali and Niger. Subcontractor: NGO CARI" PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$83,000 Number: INT/99/K13 Duration: Three years. Approval: Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Governments of Algeria, Mali and Niger on 23 April 2001 and by UNDP on 13 April 2000.

266. On 5 July 2001, the UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in Mali to disburse US\$31,500 to the subcontractor.

(28) Support to community pilot project in Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger

Submitter: Governments of Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger Subcontractor: Association Walte Edjef and NGO Tassaght PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$140,000 Number: INT/99/K14 Duration: 3 years Approval: Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Governments of Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger on 22 May 2000 and by UNDP on 14 April 2000.

267. On 28 June 2000 the UNDP authorized its Resident Representative in Burkina Faso to disburse US\$31,500 (90% of the PGTF contribution) to the project. A request for a progress report was sent on 6 April 2001 and a reminder was faxed on 2 May 2001.

- (29) EPPP Electronic Prototype Production Project in Ethiopia
- 268. Submitter: The National Scientific Equipment Centre (NSEC) of the Ethiopian Science and Technology Commission
 Subcontractor: NSEC
 PGTF input: US\$40,000
 Other inputs: US\$200,000
 Number: INT/00/K02
 Duration: Two years.
 Approval: Twenty-fourth Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 15 September 2000)
 Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Ethiopia on 12 April 2001 and by the UNDP on 1 February 2001.

269. On 15 May 2001, the UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in Ethiopia to disburse US\$36,000 to the sub-contractor.

- (30) Sustainable Management of Agroforest resources in Amazon Border Areas of Brazil, Colombia and Peru
- 270. Submitter: Peruvian Technical Unit (UTP). National Institute for Development (INADE) Subcontractor: INADE
 PGTF input: US\$45,000
 Other inputs: US\$75,000
 Number: INT/00/K03
 Duration: One year.
 Approval: Twenty-fourth Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 15 September 2000)

Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Peru on 25 May 2001 and by the UNDP on 4 December 2000.

271. On 5 July 2001, the UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in Peru to disburse US\$40,5000 to the subcontractor.

- (31) Training of Irrigation and Drainage Designers for Undertaking Development of Water Resources in Developing Countries in Asia
- 272. Submitter: Agricultural Ministry of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea Subcontractor: Irrigation Designing Institute from the Agricultural Ministry of DPRK. PGTF input: US\$40,000 Other inputs: US\$100,000 Number: INT/00/K04 Duration: One year Approval: Twenty-fourth Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 15 September 2000) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of the DPR of Korea on 7 December 2000 and by the UNDP on 23 February 2001.

273. On 19 March 2001, the UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in the DPR of Korea to disburse US\$36,000 to the subcontractor.

- (32) Cooperation for Development and Application of Biological Farming Method among Developing Countries in Asia
- 274. Submitter: Biological Branch of the Academy of Science of the DPR of Korea Subcontractor: Same as above.
 PGTF input: US\$40,000 Other inputs: US\$112,500 Number: INT/00/K05 Duration: One year
 Approval: Twenty-fourth Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 15 September 2000). Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of the DPR of Korea on 7 December 2000 and by the UNDP on 23 February 2001.

275. On 19 March 2001, the UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in the DPR of Korea to disburse US\$36,000 to the subcontractor.

- (33) Transborder Pilot Project in Mali, Burkina Faso and Niger (Azaouak)
- 276. Submitter: Governments of Mali, Burkina Faso and Niger

Subcontractor: NGOs (ABC Ecologie in Niger and ACAS'in Mali. PGTF input: US\$33,000 Other inputs: US\$74,800 Number: INT/00/K07 Duration: Three years Approval: Twenty-fourth Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 15 September 2000). Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Executive Secretary of CILSS on behalf of the Governments of Mali, Niger and Burkina Faso on 9 April 2001 and by the UNDP on 18 January 2001.

277. On 5 July 2001, the UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in Burkina Faso to disburse US\$29,700 to the sub-contractors.

- (--) Support to the Committee of Experts of PGTF (Phase III)
- 278. Submitter: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77
 PGTF input: US\$111,236
 Other inputs: Nil
 Number: INT/00/08
 Duration: Four years
 Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 3 October 1990)
 Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the
 Chairman of the Group of 77 on 20 June 2001 and by the UNDP on 7 June 2001.

279. This project corresponds to a continuation of project INT/90/K08, and allocated funds come from the re-allocation of the remaining balance of project INT/90/K08 approved in October 1990 (US\$101,236) plus a budget increase of US\$10,000 approved in September 1999. As such, it should not be counted as an additional new project in the follow-up of the implementation of approved projects.

280. A request for disbursement of US\$20,480 to cover expenses related to the holding of the Sixteenth Meeting of the Committee of Experts of PGTF was made by the Chairman of the Group of 77 on 22 June 2001. Funds were received on 29 June 2001.

- (34) Assessment and study of the residual effect of pesticides utilization on crop products and flowers in Latin America
- 281. Submitter: National University of Colombia. Subcontractor: Same as above. PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$354,085 Number: INT/00/09 Duration: Three years.

Approval: Twenty-fourth Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 15 September 2000). Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Colombia on 28 February 2001 and by the UNDP on 1 March 2001.

282. On 19 March 2001, the UNDP authorized the country office in Colombia to disburse US\$31,500 tot he subcontractor.

- (35) Programme of prevention in Peru and control in Ecuador and Colombia against the Guatemalan moth
- 283. Submitter: Servicio Nacional de Sanidad Agraria (SENASA) from Peru Subcontractor: Same as above.
 PGTF input: US\$30,000
 Other inputs: US\$43,268
 Number: INT/00/K10
 Duration: One year
 Approval: Twenty-fourth Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 15 September 2000).
 Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Peru in April 2001 and by the UNDP on 17 January 2001.

284. On 15 May 2001, the UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in Peru to disburse US\$27,000 to the subcontractor.

- (36) Strengthening the livelihood of women potters associations, in order to fight against pressure on natural resources and rural poverty
- 285. Submitter: Governments of Burkina Faso, Ghana and Togo Subcontractor: NGOs 'ABC Ecologie'in Niger and 'ACAS'in Mali PGTF input: US\$10,000 Other inputs: US\$20,300 Number: INT/00/K12 Duration: Two years Approval: Twenty-fourth Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 15 September 2000). Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Executive Secretary of CILSS on behalf of the Governments of Burkina Faso, Ghana and Togo on 9 April 2001 and by the UNDP on 18 January 2001.

286. On 5 July 2001, the UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in Burkina Faso to disburse US\$9,000 to the subcontractor.

- (37) Transborder Pilot Project in Mali, Mauritania and Senegal
- 287. Submitter: Governments of Mali, Mauritania and Senegal.

Subcontractor: Local NGOs PGTF input: US\$33,000 Other inputs: US\$224,000 Number: INT/00/K13 Duration: Three years Approval: Twenty-fourth Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 15 September 2000). Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Executive Secretary of CILSS on behalf of the Governments of Mali, Mauritania and Senegal on 9 April 2001 and by the UNDP on 18 January 2001.

288. On 5 July 2001, the UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in Burkina Faso to disburse US\$29,700 to the subcontractor.

B. Projects under preparation still to be implemented

289. A total of seven (7) projects were under preparation as of the date of the Sixteenth Meeting of the Committee of Experts, namely one (1) of the eighteen projects approved by the Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 in September 1998, three (3) of the fourteen projects approved by the Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 in September 1999, and two (2) of the twelve projects approved by the Twenty-fourth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 in September 2000.

- (1) Network of advisory centres for small and medium-sized enterprises in Mercosur
- 290. Submitter: Fundacion Banco Mayo from Argentina Subcontractor: To be awarded if required PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$468,000 (estimated) Number: INT/98/K01 Duration: 6 months Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

291. On 19 October 1998, the Chairman of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF.

292. The Committee noted with concern that more than 18 months have elapsed since the sponsors were notified of the approval of the project that no action has been observed in order to launch the implementation of the project. To that end, the Committee requested the Chairman of the Group of 77 to urge the project sponsors to complete the necessary preparations of the project documents and subcontracts before 31 December 2000.

293. A request for an electronic version of the project document was sent by email to the project sponsors on 5 June 2001. No reply has been received as of 24 July 2001.

294. The Committee recommended that a final deadline of 31 December 2001 be set for preparation and signature of the project document and subcontract. If this deadline is not met, the project should be cancelled and the funds reverted to the PGTF.

(2) First Windward Islands exposition on the information technology sector

295. Submitter: National Development Corporation (NDC) of Saint Lucia. Subcontractor: To be awarded if required PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$111,000 (estimated) Number: INT/99/K06 Duration: Six months. Approval: Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999)

296. On 18 November 1999, the Chairman of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF.

297. Reminders for the early submission of the project document were sent on 26 September 2000 and 31 January 2001.

298. The Committee recommended that if project document is not prepared and signed before 31 December 2001, the project should be cancelled and the funds reverted to PGTF.

- (3) Human resource development and training in international trade for the member states of the Communauté Economique et Monétaire de l'Afrique Centrale (CEMAC)
- 299. Submitter: Executive Secretariat of the Communauté Economique et Monétaire de l'Afrique Centrale (CEMAC) headquartered in Bangui, Central African Republic Subcontractor: To be awarded if required PGTF input: US\$22,000 Other inputs: US\$58,300 (estimated) Number: INT/99/K08 Duration: Two years. Approval: Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999)

300. On 18 November 1999, the Chairman of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF.

301. The project document was sent to the UNDP country office in Central African Republic for signature on 25 May 2001.

- (4) Support to the implementation of the Bali Plan of Action of the Group of 77
- 302. Submitter: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 in New York Subcontractor: To be awarded if required PGTF input: US\$30,000 Other inputs: US\$415,000 Number: INT/99/K11 Duration: One year. Approval: Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999)

303. The Committee recommended that the Office of the Chairman expedite the preparation and submission of the project document.

- (5) *Programme for regional technical cooperation in the field of integration in Mercosur member countries*
- 304. Submitter: Member institutions of the Mercosur economic research network Subcontractor: To be awarded if required. PGTF input: US\$40,000 Other inputs: US\$138,000 (estimated) Number: INT/00/K01 Duration: One year Approval: Twenty-fourth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000)

305. The project document was sent on 8 March 2001 to the UNDP country office in Uruguay for signature.

- (6) Toward Asia Pacific Renaissance: Recovery, regional cooperation and the public sector
- 306. Submitter: Asian and Pacific Development Centre (Malaysia) Subcontractor: To be awarded if required. PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$105,000 (estimated) Number: INT/00/K06

Duration: Six months Approval: Twenty-fourth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000)

307. On 5 October 2000 the Chairman of the Group of 77 informed the project sponsors of the approval of the project by the Ministerial Meeting and requested preparation and submission of the project document and subcontracts as appropriate. As of 24 July 2001, the project sponsors have not submitted the requested project document and subcontracts.

- (7) Support for development of transboundary communities' activities in the Kalahari-Namib region (Namibia, Botswana and South Africa)
- 308. Submitter: Secretariat of the UNCCD on behalf of the Governments of Namibia, Botswana and South Africa) Subcontractor: To be awarded if required. PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$215,000 (estimated) Number: INT/00/K11 Duration: Five years Approval: Twenty-fourth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000)

309. The project was document was sent to the UNDP country office for signature on 17 January 2001. A request for information on the latest development was made on 2 May 2001.

C. Projects under query

310. The Committee noted with satisfaction that no projects were under query as of July 2001.

V. OTHER MATTERS

311. The Committee agreed that the deadline for the submission of project proposals by Member States for consideration at its next regular session will be 30 April 2002, in accordance with the revised guidelines for utilization of PGTF. It is understood that the date of submission of proposals is the date when they are officially received by the Office of the Chairman. At this session, the Committee will also consider the project proposals referred to in para. 44 of this report.

Survey of the impact of PGTF

312. The Committee recommended at its twelfth meeting to carry out a survey of the impact and benefits of the projects funded by the PGTF with a view to supporting the promotion of the

Fund. So far, the Office of the Chairman has received information on 26 of the 50 PGTF supported projects that have been completed. Further reports are expected so as to be able to prepare a comprehensive assessment of the impact of PGTF since its operationalization in 1986. A brief summary for each completed project is provided below:

(1-2) Group of 77 Information Bulletin; and ECDC/TCDC Information support to the Group of 77 Chapters

313. Number: INT/88/K01 and INT/93/K02 PGTF input \$US\$):109,520 and 51,120 respectively Other inputs (US\$): 68,400 and 45,600 respectively Date of implementation: 1988-1991 and 1993-1994 respectively Impact: Established an important communication link between the various G-77 chapters. It also helped to disseminate the views of the G-77 to a wider audience.

(3) Technical Co-operation among SELA member States in artificial insemination and embryo transplants

314. Number: INT/89/K03
PGTF input (US\$): 83,700
Other inputs (US\$): 202,000
Date of implementation: 1989-1993
Impact: The project created a network of institutions that introduced or improved
artificial insemination and embryo transplant procedures. Outstanding results have been
achieved in Cuba, Chile, Uruguay and Brazil. Development of these bio-technologies in
the region is significant and their use is an everyday occurrence today.

(4) Export promotion and cooperation in favor of less developed countries within the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI)

315. Number: INT/89/K05

PGTF input (US\$): 120,000

Other inputs (US\$): 107,971

Date of implementation: 1991-1992

Impact: Additional exports of US\$3 million through support to 80 small and medium size enterprises and implementation of 33 export promotion activities, benefitting directly and indirectly over 4,200 workers.

(5) Regional program for cooperation and concerted action in the area of plant germ plasm

316. Number: INT/89/K12 PGTF input (US\$): 58,000 Other inputs (US\$): 309,200 Date of implementation: 1991-1997 Impact: Publication of a book on biodiversity containing all the findings and innovative elements related to the germ plasm issue.

(6-7) South-North Development Monitor (SUNS); and Information Support to the Group of 77 Chapters (SUNS)

317. Number: INT/89/K13 and INT/93/K03 PGTF input (US\$): 120,000 and 59,881 respectively Other inputs (US\$): 164,000 and 158,517 respectively Date of implementation: 1991-1992 and 1994-1995 respectively Impact: Supported publication of SUNS during 24 months (over 400 issues). SUNS has since been made available by fax to the G-77 missions in New York.

(8) Assistance to the Fifth Meeting of the Committee of Experts of the Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund

318. Number: INT/89/K14
PGTF input (US\$): 25,000
Other inputs (US\$): Nil
Date of implementation: 1990-1992
Impact: Following a decision by the Group of 77 to fund the participation of the members of the Committee of Experts at its meetings, this project ensured participation of Committee members by covering travel, subsistence and terminal expenses for the Fifth Meeting (1990), Sixth Meeting (1991) and partially the Seventh Meeting in 1992.

(9) In-depth review of the actions taken by the international community in favor of the particular needs and problems of the land-locked developing countries and a basis for new strategy to overcome these needs and problems in the future

319. Number: INT/90/K03

PGTF input (US\$): 95,000

Other inputs (US\$): 23,800

Date of implementation: 1991-1995

Impact: Inventory of a large number of studies and projects served as a basis for recommending a coordinated action. In particular it is recommended that a high level office be created with a view to coordinating joint efforts of the land-locked counties at the international level, in particular those related to international trade.

(10) Regional symposium on the economic and social impact of money derived from illicit drug trafficking in the development of Latin America and the Caribbean

320. Number: INT/90/K04

PGTF input (US\$): 78,000 Other inputs (US\$): 103,000 Date of implementation: 1991

Impact: Publication of a book containing the conclusions of the symposium which aimed mainly at an integrated approach to the problem including both producing and consumer countries, with solutions ranging from eradication to crop substitution.

- (11) Organic rice farming
- 321. Number: INT/90/K06

PGTF input (US\$): 85,000 Other inputs (US\$):nil Date of implementation: 1991-1997 Impact: The study has provided information on the characteristics of various organic matter sources when used for organic rice farming. It also provided information for both upscaling the project to the pilot level, and enabling farmers to further exploit these techniques.

(12-14) Technical, secretariat and other support to the GSTP, and technical assistance to countries participating in the GSTP (First Round); and Technical assistance to the members of the G-77 participating in the Second Round of negotiations within the GSTP and seeking membership in the GSTP, as well as related technical, secretariat and other support to the GSTP

322. Number: INT/90/K07 and INT/92/K03 (First Round), and INT/94/K02 (Second Round) PGTF input (US\$): 350,000 and 250,000; and 72,363 respectively Other inputs (US\$): Nil Date of implementation: 1991-1993, 1992-1994 and 1995-1997 respectively Impact: First round led to launching of the agreement, with 43 member countries and negotiations on 1,700 tariff lines. Second round enabled accession of 8 additional member countries and a sub-regional grouping, with consolidated list of concessions covering 700 tariff lines.

(15) Establishment of the Regional Bureau and Trade Information Network for Chamber of Commerce & Industry (CCI) of Developing Countries Members of the Group of 77

323. Number: INT/91/K01
PGTF input (US\$): 150,000
Other inputs (US\$): 270,000
Date of implementation: 1991-1994
Impact: Sixty chambers of commerce participated in the pilot project. They were assisted
in formulating a plan of action for their respective centers. In addition, Web pages were
created for this pilot group.

(16) Economic Integration in the Southern Cone Common Market

324. Number: INT/92/K01
PGTF input (US\$): 88,000
Other inputs (US\$): Nil
Date of implementation: 1992-1994
Impact: Greatly facilitated the negotiations of the sub-regional integration scheme that led
to the emergence of a customs union known as Mercosur. The studies were widely
circulated in the region and a large number of experts, academics and policy makers
benefitted from them.

(17) Development and use of a computer simulation model for supply, demand and prices of agricultural commodities in ASEAN countries

- 325. Number: INT/92/K04 PGTF input (US\$): 81,600 Other inputs (US\$): Nil Date of implementation: 1993-1994 Impact: Improved the skills of the participants in forecasting trends in export agricultural commodities. Some of the participants were able to set-up national training programs on computer simulation models.
- (18-19)African Agency for Biotechnology
- 326. Number: INT/92/K06 (Phase I) and INT/93/K01 (Phase II) PGTF input (US\$): 150,000 and 150,000 Other inputs (US\$): Nil Date of implementation: 1993-2000 and 1994-2000 respectively Impact: Provided seed money for the setting up of the Agency. Financed 16 country studies (one for each member state), acquisition of equipment and setting up of the operating structures of the Agency. Current regular budget activities being financed by member country contributions and funds from regional development banks.
- (20) Guidelines and tools of a common industrial policy for Mercosur
- 327. Number: INT/93/K05
 PGTF input (US\$): 120,000
 Other inputs (US\$): 36,000
 Date of implementation: 1994-1997
 Impact: Provided important inputs for the analysis of the costs and benefits of the
 implementation of common industrial policies among Mercosur member countries. It also

proposed guidelines for the harmonization of the industrial policies among Mercosur countries.

(21) Employment and income generation in West and Central Africa

328. Number: INT/94/K05 PGTF input (US\$): 30,000 Other inputs (US\$): 67,000 Date of implementation: 1995-1998 Impact: 11 projects were launched in Benin, Burkina Faso and Togo providing income for 5,000 people and protecting natural resources.

(22) Productive Internationalization MERCOSUR: Foreign direct investment (FDI) and regional transnational corporations

329. Number: INT/95/K02

PGTF input (US\$): 140,000 Other inputs (US\$): 42,200 Date of implementation: 1996-1997

Impact: The study provided a clear and objective understanding of the role that FDI is playing in the integration process of the region. Extracts from the study were reproduced as discussion papers in technical and policy level meetings in the Mercosur. However, its actual impact on FDI policies needs further clarification.

(23) South-South transfer of experiences in sustainable agricultural development

330. Number: INT/96/K05
PGTF input (US\$): 84,000
Other inputs (US\$): 93,000
Date of implementation: 1998-2001
Impact: Collection of information on 65 agricultural and rural development projects in seventeen countries in Latin America and the Caribbean. Preparation of 30 project summaries and 10 case studies. Publication of 11 issues of a newsletter in English and Spanish.

- (23) Training, consultation, awareness building for small hydro power in developing countries
- 331. Number: INT/98/K06 PGTF input (US\$): 150,000 Other inputs (US\$): 330,300 Date of implementation: 1999-2001 Impact: Five training seminars in four developing countries. Consultation missions in seven countries to carry out feasibility studies. Publication of two training texts. Research and compilation of three surveys and a standards study. Initial funding for an international center for small hydro power through a trust fund administered by UNIDO.
- (24) International Youth Leadership Training for Promotion of South-South Cooperation
- 332. Number: INT/98/K07 PGTF input (US\$): 20,000 Other inputs (US\$): 171,695 Date of implementation: 1999-2000 Impact: Holding of a study and training conference for 70 youth leaders from 16 countries.

- (25) Establishment of a kit for the diagnosis of the Chagas disease
- 333. Number: INT/98/K18
 PGTF input (US\$): 35,000
 Other inputs (US\$): 705,000
 Date of implementation: 1999-2000
 Impact: Development of two new highly selective and specific antigens for the diagnosis of the disease, that would be the basis for preparing very low-cost kits that could compete favorably in the market.
- (26) Technical assistance based on the regional approach in the field of standardization, metrology and quality control among developing countries
- 334. Number: INT/99/K02
 PGTF input (US\$): 25,000
 Other inputs (US\$): 73,667
 Date of implementation: 2000
 Impact: Training of officers from Lao, Cambodia, Nepal and Bangladesh in the
 establishment of their own national systems of standards and metrology.

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INACTIVE PROJECTS

A. Projects completed

1. Twelve projects were completed since the previous meeting of the Committee of Experts, bringing the total of completed projects to fifty (50), as follows:

- (1) Group of 77 Information Bulletin
- Submitter: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 Subcontractor: Inter Press Service (IPS) PGTF input: US\$109,520 Other inputs: US\$51,120 Duration: Four years Approval: IFCC-VI (Havana, 7-12 September 1987) and IFCC-VII (Kuala Lumpur, 31 July-5 August 1989) for one-year extension Number: INT/88/K01/C/95/99 Completion: 31 December 1990.
- (2) Feasibility study on development of developing countries' consultancy and engineering capacities
- Submitter: International Centre for Public Enterprises in Developing Countries (ICPE)/International Association of State Trading Organizations of Developing Countries (ASTRO)
 Subcontractor: Not required PGTF input: US\$70,000
 Other inputs: Nil.
 Approval: IFCC-VI (Havana, 7-12 September 1987)
 Number: INT/88/K03/A/95/99
 Completion: Feasibility report circulated to Member States on 2 November 1989.
- (3) Action Committee of G-77 for Cooperation in Consultancy, Construction and Engineering among Developing Countries
- 4. Submitter: Action Committee for Cooperation in Consultancy, Construction and Engineering (Havana, Cuba) Subctontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$38,500 Other inputs: US\$38,500

Duration: Six months Approval: IFCC-VI (Havana, 7-12 September 1987) Number: INT/88/K04/A/95/99 Completion: Final Report circulated to Member States on 16 June 1993.

- (4) Feasibility study on information system on technologies and projects (ISTP)
- 5. Submitter: Centre for International Cooperation and Development (CICD) of Yugoslavia Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$45,450 Other inputs: US\$20,000 Duration: Six months Approval: 12th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 28-30 September 1988) Number: INT/89/K01/A/95/99 Completion: Feasibility report circulated to Member States on 24 October 1990.
- (5) Technical Cooperation among Member States of SELA in the Field of Artificial insemination and embryo transplant
- 6. Submitter: Latin American Economic System (SELA) in Venezuela Subcontractor: Not required PGTF input: US\$83,700 Other inputs: US\$202,000 Duration: Two years and four months Approval: 12th Annual Ministerial Meeting (28-30 September 1988) Number: INT/89/K03/A/95/99 Completion: Final report submitted on 12 February 1993.
- (6) Cooperation among developing countries' consultancy and engineering design organizations for better access and position in international consultancy and engineering market
- Submitter: International Center for Public Enterprises of Developing Countries (ICPE)/International Association of State Trading Organizations of Developing Countries (ASTRO), in former Yugoslavia (Slovenia) Subcontractor: Not required PGTF input: US\$90,000 Other inputs: US\$9,000 Duration: Eighteen months Approval: IFCC-VII (Kuala Lumpur, 31 July-5 August 1989) Number: INT/89/K04/A/95/99 Completion: Final Report submitted on 4 January 1996

- (7) Export promotion and cooperation in favor of less developed countries within the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI)
- 8. Submitter: Latin American Integration Association (ALADI) in Uruguay Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$120,000 Other inputs: US\$107,971 Duration: Twelve months Approval: IFCC-VII (Kuala Lumpur, 31 July-5 August 1989) Number: INT/89/K05/A/95/99 Completion: Final Report submitted on 7 April 1993.
- (8) Establishment of a Maghreb Unit in the National Center for Information and Economic Documentation (CNIDE) of Algeria
- 9. Submitter: Government of Algeria Subcontractor: CNIDE PGTF input: US\$65,450 Other inputs: Nil. Duration: One year Approval: IFCC-VII (Kuala Lumpur, 31 July-5 August 1989) Number: INT/89/K06/A/95/99 Completion: Final Report submitted on 17 August 1993.
- (9) Feasibility study for establishing a raw materials research and development center information system
- 10. Submitter: Government of Nigeria Subcontractor: Raw Materials Research and Development Council of Nigeria PGTF input: US\$100,000 Other inputs: Nil. Duration: 12 months Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 28 September 1989) Number: INT/89/K09/95/99 Completion: Feasibility Report submitted on 18 June 1996
- (10) Provision of consultancy services by CARICAD
- 11. Submitter: Caribbean Center for Development Administration (CARICAD) of Barbados Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$45,000 Other inputs: US\$200,000

Duration: Two years Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 28 September 1989) Number: INT/89/K10/A/95/99 Completion: Final Report forwarded on 25 March 1994.

- (11) Regional programme for cooperation and coordination on plant germ plasm
- 12. Submitter: Latin American Economic System (SELA) in Venezuela Subcontractor: Not required PGTF input: US\$58,000 Other inputs: US\$309,200 Duration: Two years Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 28 September 1989) Number: INT/89/K12/A/95/99 Completion: Final Report submitted on 29 May 1998.
- (12) South-North Development Monitor (SUNS)
- 13. Submitter: South Commission Subcontractor: Third World Network (TWN) PGTF input: US\$120,000 Other inputs: US\$164,000 Duration: One year Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 28 September 1989) Number: INT/89/K13/A/95/99 Completion: 31 January 1992.
- (13) Assistance to the Fifth Meeting of the Committee of Experts of the Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund
- 14. Submitter: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 Subcontractor: Not required PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: Nil. Duration: One week Approval: IFCC-VII (Kuala Lumpur, 31 July-5 August 1989) Number: INT/89/K14/A/95/99 Completion: 19 August 1993
- (14) Integrated management of the associated resources to the mangrove areas in the Pacific coast of Central America
- 15. Submitter: National University of Costa Rica

Subcontractor: Foundation of Science, Art and Culture of the National University of Costa Rica (FUNA) PGTF input: US\$84,800 Other inputs: US\$60,000 Duration: Two years Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 3 October 1990) Number: INT/90/K01/A/95/99 Completion: Final Report submitted on 9 December 1994

- (15) Recovery, preservation and dissemination of printed historical documentation of the 16th, 17th and 18th centuries in the Americas, existing in signatory countries of the Andres Bello Convention
- 16. Submitter: Autonomous Institute of the National Library of Venezuela Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$94,500 Other inputs: US\$154,188 Duration: Three years Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 3 October 1990) Number: INT/90/K02/A/95/99 Completion: Final Report submitted on 15 December 1993
- (16) In-depth review of the actions taken by the international community in favor of the particular needs and problems of land-locked developing countries and a basis for a new strategy to overcome these needs and problems in the future
- Submitter: Center for the Study of International Relations and Development (CERID) of Bolivia
 Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$95,000
 Other inputs: US\$23,800
 Duration: Nine months
 Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 3 October 1990)
 Number: INT/90/K03/A/95/99
 Completion: Final Report submitted on 4 December 1995
- (17) Regional symposium on the economic and social impact of money derived from illicit drug trafficking in the development of Latin America and the Caribbean
- Submitter: Center for the Study of International Relations and Development (CERID) of Bolivia.
 Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$78,000 Other inputs: US\$103,000

Duration: Five and a half months Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting (3 October 1990) Number: INT/90/K04/A/95/99 Completion: Final Report submitted on 13 August 1991.

- (18) Intensifying the utilization of operations research techniques in the management of agriculture development projects in ASEAN countries
- 19. Submitter: Department of Agriculture of Malaysia Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$110,000 Other inputs: US\$191,000 Duration: Two years Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 3 October 1990) Number: INT/90/K05/A/95/99 Completion: Final Report submitted on 17 August 1993
- (19) Organic rice farming system
- 20. Submitter: Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute (MARDI) Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$85,000 Other inputs: US\$78,000 Duration: Two years Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 3 October 1990) Number: INT/90/K06/A/95/99 Completion: Final Report submitted on 16 September 1997
- (20) Technical, secretariat and other support to the Global System on Trade Preferences among developing countries (GSTP), and technical assistance to countries participating in the GSTP
- 21. Submitter: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 Subcontractor: UNCTAD PGTF input: US\$350,000 Other inputs: Nil. Duration: Sixteenth months Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meetings (New York, 28 September 1989) Number: INT/90/K07/A/95/99 Completion: Final Report distributed to Member States on 16 June 1993
- (21) Support to the Committee of Experts of the Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund

- 22. Submitter: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 Subcontractor: Not required PGTF input: US\$224,800 Other inputs: Nil. Duration: Five years Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 3 October 1990) Number: INT/90/K08/A/95/99 Completion: The final budget revision was submitted on 3 October 2000. Unspent funds for US\$111,236 were re-allocated to successor project INT/00/K08.
- (22) Establishment of the Regional Business and Trade Information Network for Chambers of Commerce and Industry (CCI) of Developing Countries Members of the Group of 77

23. Submitter: Steering Committee of the Chambers of Commerce and Industry (CCI) of Developing Countries Members of the Group of 77 Subcontractors: Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Mines of Cameroon; The Chamber of Commerce of Bogota; and the Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry
PGTF input: US\$150,000
Other inputs: US\$270,000
Duration: Two years
Approval: 15th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 1 October 1991)
Number: INT/91/K01/95/99
Completion: Final Reports submitted respectively by the Federation of Pakistan
Chambers of Commerce and Industry on 29 May 1994, by the Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Mines of Cameroon on 28 March 1994, and by the Bogota Chamber of Commerce on 15 June 1994

(23) Economic Integration in the Southern Cone Common Market

24. Submitter: Government of Argentina Subcontractor: Centro de Investigaciones para la Tranformación (CENIT) PGTF input: US\$88,000 Other inputs: Nil Duration: One year Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 1 October 1992) Number: INT/92/K01/A/95/99 Completion: Final Report submitted on 6 April 1994

(24) Raul Prebisch: Completed Works, 1919-1948, Comparative Experiences of Monetary Policies of Developing Countries, Vols. III and IV

- 25. Submitter: Raul Prebisch Foundation Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$60,700 Other inputs: US\$12,950 Duration: 3 months Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 1 October 1992) Number: INT/92/K02/A/95/99 Completion: Complete sets consisting of four volumes distributed in 1994 to the Permanent Missions of the Group of 77 in New York.
- (25) Technical, Secretariat and Other Support to the Global System of Trade Preferences among Developing Countries (GSTP), and Technical Assistance to Countries Participating in the GSTP
- 26. Submitter: Group of 77 in Geneva Subcontractor: UNCTAD PGTF input: US\$250,000 Other inputs: Nil. Duration: One year Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 1 October 1992) Number: INT/92/K03/A/90/99 Completion: Final Report submitted on 6 May 1994
- (26) The development and use of a computer simulation model for supply, demand and prices of agricultural commodities in ASEAN countries
- 27. Submitter: Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Indonesia Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$81,600 Other inputs: Nil. Duration: One year Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 1 October 1992) Number: INT/92/K04/A/95/99 Completion: Final Report submitted on 7 April 1994
- (27) African Agency for Biotechnology (Phase I)
- Submitter: Government of Algeria
 Subcontractor: Secretariat of State for Scientific Research of Algeria (SERSA)
 PGTF input: US\$150,000
 Other inputs: Nil.
 Duration: One year

Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 1 October 1992) Number: INT/92/K06/A/95/99 Completion: Final report and financial statement submitted on 25 July 2000.

- (28) African Agency for Biotechnology (Phase II)
- 29. Submitter: Government of Algeria Subcontractor: Ministry of Universities and Scientific Research of Algeria (MDURSA) PGTF input: US\$150,000 Other inputs: Nil. Duration: One year Approval: IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30 August-3 September 1993) Number: INT/93/K01/A/95/99 Completion: Final report and financial statement submitted on 25 July 2000.
- (29) ECDC/TCDC Information Support to Group of 77 Chapters (Journal of the Group of 77)
- 30. Submitter: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 Subcontractor: Inter Press Service (IPS) PGTF input: US\$51,120 Other inputs: US\$45,600 Duration: Two years Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 1 October 1992) and IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30 August-3 September 1993) Number: INT/93/K02 Completion: Final Report submitted on 20 December 1995
- (30) Information Support to the Group of 77 Chapters South-North Development Monitor (SUNS)
- Submitter: Third World Network, Penang, Malaysia Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$59,881 Other inputs: US\$158,517 Duration: One year Approval: IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30 August-3 September 1993) Number: INT/93/K03 Completion: Final Report submitted on 10 December 1995
- (31) Guidelines and tools for a common industrial policy for Mercosur

- 32. Submitter: Government of Brazil Subcontractor: Fundacao Centro de Estudos do Comercio Exterior (FUNCEX) of Brazil PGTF input: US\$120,000 Other inputs: US\$36,000 Duration: 8 months Number: INT/93/K05/A/95/99 Approval: IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30 August-3 September 1993) Completion: Final Report submitted on 15 September 1997
- (32) Feasibility study for a subregional center for agricultural machinery in the CEPGL subregion
- 33. Submitter: Communaute Economique des Pays des Grands Lacs (CEPGL) Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$43,000 Other inputs: US\$15,200 Number: INT/93/K07/A/95/99 Duration: 81 days Approval: IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30 August-3 September 1993) Completion: The final budget revision was submitted on 11 March 1999.
- (33) Program for the Development of Communications and Cooperation among Latin American and Caribbean Educators (AELAC)
- 34. Submitter: Association of Educators of Latin America & the Caribbean (AELAC) through the Government of Cuba Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$30,000 Other inputs: US\$303,370 Duration: 1 year Approval: Eighteenth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1994) Number: INT/94/K01/A/95/99 Completion: Final report submitted on 30 September 1998
- (34) Technical Assistance to the Members of the Group of 77 participating in the Second Round of Negotiations within the Global System of Trade Preferences among Developing Countries (GSTP) and Seeking Membership in the GSTP, as well as Related Technical, Secretariat and Other Support to the GSTP
- 35. Submitter: Chairperson of the Group of 77 in Geneva Subcontractor: UNCTAD PGTF input: US\$72,363

Other inputs: Nil. Duration: 1 year Approval: Eighteenth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1994) Number: INT/94/K02/A/95/99 Completion: Final Report submitted on 18 June 1997. An unspent balance of US\$3,229 reverted to the PGTF.

- (35) Establishment of TIN Management Center to Coordinate the Global Establishment of the Network with a Project Coordination Committee
- 36. Submitter: The Steering Committee Chambers of Commerce and Industry of the Group of 77 (CCIs)
 Subcontractor: Private Sector Development Programme, UNDP
 PGTF input: US\$60,000
 Other inputs: US\$105,000
 Duration: 1 year
 Approval: Eighteenth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30
 September 1994)
 Number: INT/94/K03/A/95/99
 Completion: Final Report submitted on 6 August 1997.
- (36) Training on the Use of a Computer Simulation Model for Food Security Analysis in Developing Countries of the NAM
- 37. Submitter: Government of Indonesia Subcontractor: Ministry of Agriculture of Indonesia PGTF input: US \$70,000 Other inputs: Nil. Duration: One year Approval: Eighteenth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1994) Number: INT/94/K04/A/95/99 Completion: Final report submitted on 24 June 1997.
- (37) Employment and Income Generation in West and Central Africa
- 38. Submitter: Sahel Defis through the Government of Benin. Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$30,000 Other inputs: US\$67,000 Duration: 2 years.

Approval: Eighteenth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1994). Number: INT/94/K05/A/95/99 Completion: Final Report submitted on 16 February 1998.

(38) Low Cost Housing Technology Programme

39. Submitter: Government of India Subcontractor: Centre for Science & Technology of the Non-Aligned and Other Developing Countries PGTF input: US\$30,000 Other inputs: US\$34,000 Duration: 1 year Approval: Eighteenth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1994) Number: INT/94/K06/A/95/99 Completion: Final report submitted on 27 February 2001, and expenses report submitted on 21 May 2001. Unspent funds of Rs23,146 reimbursed to UNDP country office.

- (39) Optimization of the process for obtaining crude PMSG for animal reproduction
- 40. Submitter: Biological Pharmaceutical Laboratories (LABIOFAM) through the Government of Cuba Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$165,000 Other inputs: US\$432,194 Number: INT/95/K01/A/95/99 Duration: Two (2) years Approval: Nineteenth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 29 September 1995) Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 11 March 1999.
- (40) Productive internationalization in Mercosur: Foreign direct investment and regional transnational corporations
- 41. Submitter: CPC Consultora Internacional Ltd. through the Government of Uruguay. Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$140,000 Other inputs: US\$42,200 Number: INT/95/K02/A/95/99 Duration: Twelve (12) months Approval: Nineteenth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1995)

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Completion: Final Report submitted on 23 December 1997.

- (41) Entrepreneurial Strengthening of Industrial and Artisan Cooperatives in Central America
- 42. Submitter: International Cooperative Alliance, a non-governmental organisation, through its American Regional Bureau headquartered in San José, Costa Rica Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$65,000 Other inputs: US\$79,000 Number: INT/96/K01/A/95/99 Duration: One (1) year Approval: Twentieth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996) Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 28 August 2000.
- (42) Training of Personnel in the Field of Standardization and Meteorology for the Conformity Assessment among Developing Countries
- 43. Submitter: Committee for Standardization of Democratic People's Republic of Korea through its Ministry for Foreign Affairs.
 Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$76,500
 Other inputs: US\$160,000
 Number: INT/96/K03/A/95/99
 Duration: One (1) year
 Approval: Twentieth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996)
 Completion: The final report was submitted on 13 October 1998.
- (43) South-South Transfer of Experiences in Sustainable Agricultural Development
- 44. Submitter: Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) based in Guyana.
 Subcontractor: Same as above
 PGTF input: US\$84,000
 Other inputs: US\$93,000
 Number: INT/96/K05/A/95/99
 Duration: One (1) year
 Approval: Twentieth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996)
 Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 8 June 2001.

- (44) Training of rice breeding experts for the effective use of rice genetic resources in the developing countries
- 45. Submitter: Academy of Agricultural Science of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea through the Permanent Mission of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the United Nations Democratic People's Republic of Korea Subcontractor: Academy of Agricultural Science of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea PGTF input: US\$100,000 Other inputs: US\$146,500 Number: INT/98/K03 Duration: 13 months Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998) Completion: The final report was submitted on 1 May 2000.
- (45) Training, consultation, awareness and capacity building for small hydro power in developing countries
- 46. Submitter: International Network on Small Hydro Power of the People's Republic of China through the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations
 Subcontractor: International Network on Small Hydro Power
 PGTF input: US\$150,000
 Other inputs: US\$330,300
 Number: INT/98/K06
 Duration: 1 year
 Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
 Completion: The final report and financial statement were received on 15 February 2001.
 Request for final budget revision sent on 3 May 2001.
- (46) International youth leadership training for promotion of South-South cooperation
- 47. Submitter: All Nigeria United Nations Students' and Youth Association (ANUNSA) from Nigeria
 Subcontractor: ANUNSA
 PGTF input: US\$20,000
 Other inputs: US\$171,695
 Number: INT/98/K07
 Duration: 6 months
 Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

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Completion: Final breakdown of disbursement received on 21 September 2000. Final budget revision to be prepared at the Special Unit for TCDC of UNDP.

- (47) Master Plan for the sustainable development of transportation and related infrastructure in South America
- 48. Submitter: Latin American Integration Association (ALADI) with headquarters in Montevideo, Uruguay Subcontractor: Not required PGTF input: US\$50,000 Other inputs: US\$413,000 Number: INT/98/K08 Duration: 1 year Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998) Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 8 March 2001.
- (48) Design of a regional project to strengthen strategies to reduce drug demand in Colombia, Ecuador and Venezuela
- 49. Submitter: National Drug Directorate from Colombia Subcontractor: To be awarded if required PGTF input: US\$15,000 Other inputs: US\$26,076 Number: INT/98/K17 Duration: 4 months Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998) Completion: Final report submitted on 30 October 2000. Final budget revision pending.
- (49) Development of a kit for the diagnosis of the Chagas disease

50. Submitter: University of Los Andes from Venezuela through the Permanent Mission of Venezuela to the United Nations
Subcontractor: To be awarded if required.
PGTF input: US\$35,000
Other inputs: US\$705,000
Number: INT/98/K18
Duration: Thirteen months.
Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 9 September 2000.

- (50) Preparation, reproduction and distribution of the second edition of the CD-ROM of the Pro-tempore Secretariat of the Amazon Cooperation Treaty
- 51. Submitter: Pro-Tempore Secretariat of the Amazon Cooperation Treaty Subcontractor: To be awarded if required PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$684,000 (estimated) Number: INT/99/K09 Duration: Six months. Approval: Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999) Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 9 November 2000.
- B. Projects not implemented and allocated funds reverted to PGTF

52. Two projects were cancelled since the previous meeting of the Committee of Experts, and the allocated funds reverted to PGTF, bringing the total of projects not implemented to eleven (11), as follows:

- (1) Interregional Trade Financing Facility
- 53. Submitter: UNCTAD PGTF input: US\$40,000 Approval: IFCC-VI (Havana, 7-12 September 1987) Number: INT/88/K02/A/95/99 Cancellation decision: Thirteenth Annual Ministerial Meeting (September 1989). Reason: Similar project funded by UNCTAD.
- (2) Facilitating the implementation of the Multisectoral Information Network (MSIN)
- 54. Submitter: Technological Information Pilot System (TIPS)/Inter Press Service (IPS) PGTF input: US\$15,000 Approval: IFCC-VI (Havana, 7-12 September 1987) Number: INT/88/K05/A/95/99 Cancellation decision: Fourteenth Annual Ministerial Meeting (October 1990). Reason: Not implemented three years after approval.
- (3) Action Committee on Inter-enterprise Cooperation
- 55. Submitter: International Center for Public Enterprises (ICPE)/Research Center for Cooperation with Developing Countries (RCCDC) of Yugoslavia
 PGTF input: US\$35,000
 Approval: 12th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 28-30 September 1988)

Number: INT/89/K02/A/95/99

Cancellation decision: Sixteenth Annual Ministerial Meeting (October 1992). Reason: No matching contribution received from project sponsors by the established deadline of 31 December 1989

- (4) Monetary Cooperation Fund of the Non-Aligned and other Developing Countries
- 56. Submitter: Government of Madagascar PGTF input: US\$30,000 Duration: To be determined Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 28 September 1989) Number: INT/89/K08/A/95/99 Cancellation decision: Seventeenth Annual Ministerial Meeting (September 1993). Reason: Not implemented by the established deadline of June 1994.
- (5) Upgrading of veterinary field health services through development of an animal disease information center
- 57. Submitter: Government of Malaysia PGTF input: US\$140,000 Duration: 18 months Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 1-2 October 1990) Number: INT/90/K09/A/95/99 Cancellation decision: Eighteenth Annual Ministerial Meeting (September 1994). Reason: Not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 1994.
- (6) Development of Agriculture Database for ASEAN
- 58. Submitter: Government of Malaysia PGTF input: US\$94,000 Duration: Two years Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 1 October 1992) Number: INT/93/K04/A/95/99 Cancellation decision: Eighteenth Annual Ministerial Meeting (September 1994). Reason: Not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 1994.
- (7) The Caribbean into the Twenty-first Century
- 59. Submitter: The Nation Organization of Barbados/Eastern Caribbean Research Center (ECRC) of Saint Lucia
 PGTF input: US\$50,000
 Duration: Four days
 Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 28 September 1989)

Number: INT/89/K11/A/95/99

Date of signature of relevant documents: Project document was signed by G-77 and UNDP respectively on 11 and 13 December 1990. Sub-contract agreement between the Group of 77 and the Government of Saint Lucia on ECRC's behalf is dated 12 December 1990.

Cancellation decision: Eighteenth Annual Ministerial Meeting (September 1994). Reason: Implementing organization failed to deliver substantive and financial reports on the implementation of the project. The Government of Saint Lucia refunded disbursed resources in 1997.

(8) Public Enterprises Rationalization Project

- 60. Submitter: Government of Saint Lucia PGTF input: US\$60,800 Duration: Six months Approval: 15th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 1 October 1991) Number: INT/91/K02/A/95/99 Date of signature of relevant documents: Project document was signed by G-77 and UNDP respectively on 13 and 21 November 1991. Sub-contract agreement between the Chairman of the Group of 77 and the Permanent Representative of Saint Lucia to the United Nations (on behalf of the Government of Saint Lucia) is dated 4 December 1991. Cancellation decision: Eighteenth Annual Ministerial Meeting (September 1994). Reason: Implementing organization failed to deliver substantive and financial reports on the implementation of the project. The Government of Saint Lucia refunded disbursed resources in 1997.
- (9) Study of Production and Distribution of Pasture Seeds and Legumes to Smallholder Dairy Farmers
- 61. Submitter: Southern African Development Community (SADC), Gaborone, Botswana PGTF input: US\$90,000 Number: INT/92/K07 Duration: 16 months Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 1 October 1992) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the G-77 and UNDP on 26 August 1993. Cancellation decision: Twenty-first Annual Ministerial Meeting (September 1997). Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 1996.
- (10) Feasibility study for establishing a Central American hydrographic cooperation programme

62. Submitter: Government of Panama Subcontractor: Instituto Geografico Nacional Tommy Guardia from Panama PGTF input: US\$38,500 Approval: IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30 August-3 September 1993) Number: INT/93/K06 Duration: 4 months Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the G-77 and UNDP on 26 September and 27 September 1994 respectively. A subcontract agreement between the Government of Panama and the"Instituto Geografico Nacional Tommy Guardia" was signed in November 1994. Cancellation decision: Twenty-first Annual Ministerial Meeting (September 1997). Reason: The project was not implemented by the sub-contracting agency. The Government of Panama refunded disbursed funds in 2000.

(11) A trading/industrial cooperation scheme to promote intra-industry trade in ASEAN

63. Submitter: Secretariat of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN), headquartered in Jakarta, Indonesia PGTF input: US\$100,000 Number: INT/98/K13 Duration: 7 months Approval: Twenty-second Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Cancellation decision: Not required. Reason: The project was withdrawn by the sponsors in December 2000, since as a result of a decision by the Economic Affairs Ministers of ASEAN, a similar activity was carried

out by ASEAN in the context of a wider project.

THE PEREZ-GUERRERO TRUST FUND (PGTF) FOR ECDC/TCDC STATUS OF PGTF-FUNDED PROJECTS: Approved, Authorized, Obligated and Amount available for Programming as of June 2001

| | as of June 2001 | | | • | |
|--------------------------|--|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| Opening balan | ce of unexpended resources as per financial statements as of 1 January 2000 | | 4 | 6,836,148.60 | sit i ji it |
| Add: | Contributions (India, Philippines, China, DPR Korea, Egypt): Year 2000 Interest income | 9,500.00 253,559.71 | | | |
| | Other Income Projected Interest for period 1 January - 31 December 2001 | (11,389.54) 300,000.00 | | | |
| | Total resources | | 551,670.17 | \$ 7,387,818 .77 | |
| 1) Less | Project disbursement expenditure recorded in 2000 by UNDP Accounts and UNDP. Treasury | | | | |
| Unknown projec | t (To be determined) | (1,175.73) | | | |
| INT/93/K06 | PF Study Central Am. Hydrographic Program | 38,500.00 | | | |
| INT/95/K01 | Optimization of the Process for Obtaining Crude | (1,998.00) | | | |
| INT/96/K04 INT/97/K02 | Coop in Tech. Training & Dev. Re Primary Health Care in Lusophone African Cos. | (26,685.00) | | | |
| INT/97/K02 | Biological Control of Pests & Weeds for Sus. Agri and Bio-diversity Int. Planning & New Tech. for Sust. Dev. | (11,250.00) | | | |
| INT/98/K02 | Emergency Control Measures of the Moroccan Locust and Other Insect Pests | 30,560.00 2,261.00 | | | |
| INT/98/K03 | Training of Rice Breeding Exps - Use of Rice Genetic Resources in Dev. Cos | 10,050.00 | | | |
| INT/98/K08 | Sus Dev of Transportation in South Africa | 24,966.00 | | | |
| INT/98/K14 | Stats Service Unit/Access of WB Database | 73,964,26 | | | |
| INT/98/K16 | Strengthening Comp Capacities of MSMEs | 70,809.38 | | | |
| INT/98/K17 | Design of a Regional Project to Strengthen Strategies to Reduce Drug Demand in Colombia, Ecuador and Venezuela | 842.23 | | | |
| INT/99/K02 | Tech. Ass. Based on Reg. Approach Standardization, Metrology & Quality Man among | 012.20 | | | |
| | DCs | 22,612.50 | | | |
| INT/99/K03 | Transportation Info System ALADI Member cos | 2,475.00 | | | |
| INT/99/K09 | Prep. Reprod. & Dist. of 2nd Edition of CD Secr. of Amazon Cooperation Treaty | 30,826.61 | | | |
| | Total Project Costs | 266,758.25 | 266,758.25 | | |
| | Administrative Costs | Total | 2,667.58 269,425.83 | | |
| | Unexpended Resources as of 31 December 2000 (including yr 2001 interest) | , ota | 100/120.00 | 7,118,392.94 | |
| 2)Less | Undisbursed/unrecorded authorizations pending with UNDP Country Offices | | | | |
| INT/89/K11 | The Caribbean and the 21st Century | (50,000.00) | | | |
| INT/94/K02 | Global System of Trade Preference among Developing Countries - Phase IV | (3,229.00) | | | |
| INT/94/K03 | TIN Man Centre for Global Est of Network PCC | (60,000.00) | | | |
| INT/94/K04 | Training Computer Stimulation Model Food Sec. Analysis in NAM Dev Cos (TIN II) | (70,000.00) | | | |
| INT/94/K06 | Low Cost Housing Technology Programme | (3,846.00) (4,764.00) | | | |
| INT/95/K01 INT/96/K02 | Optimization of the Process for Obtaining Crude Nat. Cen. Persons with Disabilities (NCPD) of Trinidad & T, through the MFA | (4,500.00) | | | |
| INT/96/K04 | Health Policy in Primary Care | 2,965.00 | | | |
| INT/96/K05 | South-South Transfer of Experiences | 18,000.00 | | | |
| INT/97/K01 | impact of Enhancing Env. Standards on Int. Trade of South Asian Cos. | 11,183.00 | | | |
| INT/97/K02 | Biological Control of Pests & Weeds for Sus. Agricuiture & Biodiversity | 11,250.00 | | | |
| INT/97/K04 | Gender Prog in Coops in Anean Reg | 55,235.00 | | | |
| INT/98/K02 | Emergency Control of the Moroccan Locust | 31,489.00 | | | |
| INT/98/K03 | Training of rice breeding experts | (535.00) | | | |
| INT/98/K04 | Women and Youth in the Sahel Reg | 16,505.00 45,000.00 | | | |
| INT/98/K05 | Build.Tech.Compet.in the Area of Conformity Ass.LA Int. Youth Leadership Prom of SSC | 2,000.00 | | | |
| INT/98/K07 INT/98/K08 | Master Plan for SD in S. America | 25,034.00 | | | |
| INT/98/K09 | Harmonization of Agri Policy of COMESA Member States re CAP | 27,000.00 | | | |
| INT/98/K10 | Technology Linkage Sharing (TECHNOLINK) | 90,000.00 | | | |
| INT/98/K12 | Support for Regional Remote Sensing Activities | 45,000.00 | | | |
| INT/98/K14 | Stats Service Unit/Access of WB Database | (1,964.26) | | | |
| INT/98/K15 | Macroeconomic and Sectoral Programme | 50,000.00 | | | |
| INT/98/K16 | Strengthening of the capacities | 6,485.62 | | | |
| INT/98/K17 | Strategies to Reduce Drug Demand in Colombia, Ecuador and Venezuela | 6,235.77 31 500 00 | | | |
| INT/98/K18 | A Kit for the Chages Disease | 31,500.00 30,825.00 | | | |
| INT/99/K03 | Transportation Information for ALADI Mbr cos | 673.39 | | | |
| INT/99/K09 | Second Edition of CD Rom - Amazon Coop Treary Promotion of Alt Renewable energy sources in | 22,500.00 | | | |
| INT/99/K12 | Supp Comm Pilot Project -BKFS, Niger, Mali | 31,500.00 | | | |
| INT/99/K13 INT/99/K14 | Community Pilot - Burkina Faso | 31,500.00 | | | |
| | Sub-Total | 393,042.52 | 393,042.52 | | |
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| Reserved reso | urces (Fund Capital) ¹ Sub-Total | | 5,000,000.00 | 5,843,782.52 |
|---------------|---|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | | 843,782.52 | |
| | Sub-Total | 450,740.00 | | |
| INT/00/K13 | Transborder pilot project in Mali, BKF, Niger | 29,700.00 | | |
| INT/00/K12 | Strengthening livellhood of women potters | 9,000.00 | | |
| INT/00/K10 | Programme of Prevention and Control against Tecla Solovirora Pavolni * The Guatemalan Moth of Potato* | 27,000.00 | | |
| INT/00/K09 | Study of pesticides on crop products in LA | 31,500.00 | | |
| INT/00/K08 | Support to the Committee of Experts of the Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund (Phase II) | 20,480.00 | | |
| INT/00/K07 | Transborder Pliot Project Mali, BKF, Niger | 29,700.00 | | |
| INT/00/K05 | Cooperation for Development and Application of Biological Farming Method among Developing Countries in Asia | 36,000.00 | | |
| INT/00/K04 | Training of Irrigation and drainage designers in Asia | 36,000.00 | | |
| INT/00/K03 | Agroforest in Amazon boarder areas | 40,500.00 | | |
| INT/00/K02 | EPPP in Ethlopia | 36,000.00 | | |
| INT/99/K10 | Certification Programmes in Central American and the Caribbean | 31,500.00 | | |
| INT/99/K07 | Development of Innovative Systems for Programme Management and Revenue Generation for ASEAN Science and Technology | 27,000.00 | | |
| INT/99/K05 | Pacific Islands Regional Biomass Energy Resources Assessment Project (PIRBERAP) Fiji | 30,600.00 | | |
| INT/99/K04 | Inland Fisheries Resources in the COMESA Reg. | 34,200.00 | | |
| INT/99/K02 | Tech. Ass. Based on Reg. Approach Standardization, Metrology & Quality Man among DCs | 2,500.00 | | |
| INT/98/K18 | A Kit for the Chagas Disease | 3,500.00 | | |
| INT/95/K03 | ECDC/TCDC Info. Support to G-77 Ph. III (2nd tr.) | 25,560.00 | | |

Written authorizations sent to UNDP Country Offices/Disbursements through UN: Treasury from Jan 00 - June 2001 (18 month period)

Less Obligated and Earmarked Fund

Obligated ²

| | Budget of approved projects (balance as of 1995 onwards): | |
|------------|---|--------------|
| INT/90/K08 | Support to the PGTF Committee of Experts (final rev. rephasing to INT/00/K08) | (101,236.00) |
| INT/96/K02 | Caribbean Regional | 4,500.00 |
| INT/97/K01 | Study on the Impact of Enhancing Enviroment | 13,667.00 |
| INT/97/K02 | Biological Control of Pests and Weeds | 2,500.00 |
| INT/97/K03 | Integrated planning | 7,000.00 |
| INT/98/K02 | Emergency Control of Moroccan Locust | 5,000.00 |
| INT/98/K05 | Building tech.compet. In the area of conformity | 5,000.00 |
| INT/98/K09 | Harmonization of agric policies of the COMESA | 33,000.00 |
| INT/98/K10 | Technology Linkage thru Sharing & Coop in DC's | 10,000.00 |
| INT/98/K11 | Subregional Intellectual Prop System | 17,684.00 |
| INT/98/K12 | Regional remote sensing activities | 5,000.00 |
| INT/98/K14 | Stats Service Unit/Access of WB Database | 4,071.49 |
| INT/98/K15 | Macro-economic & sectoral coop.programme | 50,000.00 |
| INT/98/K17 | Strategies to Reduce Drug Demand | 1,500.00 |
| | Transportation info. Sys. (TIS) mbr cos.LAIA | 3,700.00 |
| INT/99/K03 | Inland Fisheries Resources in the COMESA Reg. | 3,800.00 |
| INT/99K04 | Pacific Islands Regional Biomass Energy Resources Assessment Project (PIRBERAP) | ., |
| INT/99/K05 | Fiji | 30,600.00 |

Deposited in long-term high yield bonds
 Signed project documents/subcontract documents finalized

N.B. Funds in parentheses in categories 2 and 4 will be returned to the PGTF based on budget revisions

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| INT/99/K07 | Development of Innovative Systems for Programme Management and Revenue | |
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| | Generation for ASEAN Science and Technology | 3,000.00 |
| INT/99/K09 | Second Edition of CD Rom-Amazon Coop Treaty | 3,500.00 |
| INT/99/K10 | Certification Programmes in Central American and the Caribbean | 3,500,00 |
| INT/99/K12 | Alt. Renewable Energy -Kenya | 2.500.00 |
| INT/99/K13 | Support Comm Pilot Project -BKF, Mali, Niger | 3,500.00 |
| INT/99/K14 | Support Comm Pilot Project - Burikina Faso | 3,500.00 |
| INT/00/K02 | EPPP in Ethlopia | 4,000.00 |
| INT/00/K03 | Agroforest in Amazon boarder areas | 4,500.00 |
| INT/00/K04 | Training of irrigation and drainage designers in Asia | 4,000.00 |
| INT/00/K05 | Cooperation for Development and Application of Biological Farming Method among | |
| | Developing Countries in Asia | 4,000.00 |
| INT/00/K07 | Transborder Pilot Project Mali, BKF, Niger | 3,300.00 |
| INT/00/K08 | Support to the Committee of Experts of the Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund (Phase II) | 90,756.00 |
| INT/00/K09 | Study of pesticides on crop products in LA | 3,500.00 |
| INT/00/K10 | Programme of Prevention and Control against Tecia Solovirora Pavolni " The | |
| | Guatemalan Moth of Potato" | 3,000.00 |
| INT/00/K12 | Strengthening livelihood of women potters | 1,000.00 |
| INT/00/K13 | Transborder pilot project in Mali, BKF, Niger | 3,300.00 |
| | Total Obligated Fund | 238,642.49 |
| | Earmarked funds approved. ³ | |
| INT/98/K01 | Network of advisory centers for SMEs in Mercosur | 25,000.00 |
| INT/99/K01 | Dev of Info Network &Data base Sy for NAM | 30,000.00 |
| INT/99/K06 | First Windward Islands expo. on the Information | 35,000.00 |
| INT/99/K08 | HRD & Training Int Trade for mbr states of CEMAC | 22,000.00 |
| INT/99/K11 | Support Ball POA of the G-77 | 30,000.00 |
| INT/00/K01 | Integration in Mercosur member countries | 40,000.00 |
| INT/00/K06 | Asia Pacific Renaissance | 25,000.00 |
| INT/00/K11 | Development of Communities in the Kalahara | 35,000.00 |
| | Total Earmarked Funds | 242,000.00 |
| | Total Obligated/Earmarked Funds | |
| | Available for new projects 4 (1,274,610.42 - 478,642.49) | |

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Approved proposals where the project documents are under preparation
 This figure includes projected interest for 1 Jan-31 December 2001

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