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2005/1. Annual report to the Economic and Social Council

The Executive Board

Takes note of the "Report of the Executive Director: Annual report to the Economic and Social Council" (E/ICEF/2005/3), and *requests* the secretariat to transmit it, along with a summary of the comments made during the discussion, to the Economic and Social Council for consideration at its substantive session of 2005.

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2005/2. Private Sector Division work plan and proposed budget for 2005

A. Private Sector Division budgeted expenditures for the 2005 season

The Executive Board

1. *Approves* for the fiscal year 1 January to 31 December 2005 budgeted expenditures of \$96.9 million as detailed below and summarized in column II of table 7 to document E/ICEF/2005/AB/L.1:

	<i>(In millions of United States dollars)</i>
Commissions – field offices	1.2
Cost of goods delivered	34.3
Marketing expenditures	25.2
Support services expenditures	19.1
Investment funds	17.1
Total expenditures, consolidated	96.9

2. *Authorizes* the Executive Director:

(a) To incur expenditures as summarized in column II of table 7 to document E/ICEF/2005/AB/L.1 and to increase expenditures up to the level indicated in column III of the same table should the apparent proceeds from card and gift sales and/or fund-raising increase to the levels indicated in column III, and accordingly, to reduce expenditures below the level indicated in column II to the extent necessary, should the net proceeds decrease;

(b) To redeploy resources between the various budget lines (as detailed in paragraph 1 above) up to a maximum of 10 per cent of the amounts approved;

(b) To spend an additional amount between Executive Board sessions, when necessary, up to the amount caused by currency fluctuations, to implement the 2005 approved work plan.

B. Budgeted income for the 2005 season

The Executive Board

Notes that for the period 1 January to 31 December 2005, PSD net proceeds are budgeted at \$403.0 million (regular resources) as shown in column II of table 7 to document E/ICEF/2005/AB/L.1.

C. Policy issues

The Executive Board

1. *Renews* investment funds with \$17.1 million established for 2005;
2. *Authorizes* the Executive Director to incur expenditures in the 2005 fiscal period related to the cost of goods delivered (production/purchase of raw materials, cards and other products) for the 2005 fiscal year up to \$35.0 million as indicated in the PSD medium-term plan (see table 6 of document E/ICEF/2005/AB/L.1).

D. Medium-term plan

The Executive Board

Approves the PSD medium-term plan as reflected in table 6 to document E/ICEF/2005/AB/L.1.

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18 January 2005*

2005/3. Joint programming

The Executive Board,

1. *Recalls* General Assembly resolution 59/250 of 22 December 2004, on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system, which contains the policy framework set by the General Assembly to continue strengthening the joint programming process;
2. *Reiterates* the need to maintain the institutional integrity and organizational mandate of each United Nations agency during the process of joint programming;
3. *Takes note* of the report on the assessment of the UNICEF experience of joint programming contained in document E/ICEF/2004/10;
4. *Welcomes* the efforts made to date by UNICEF in working with programme countries to maximize the impact of the particular expertise of UNICEF when strengthening joint programming, aimed at improving the coherence of the United Nations at field level, programming efficiency, avoiding duplication and reducing transaction costs for programme countries and thus to

contribute to better overall results, and *encourages* the Executive Director to continue to work with Governments and other partners towards that end;

5. *Emphasizes* the importance that the Executive Board attaches to UNICEF using joint programming as a tool for supporting the implementation of national development plans, including Poverty Reduction Strategies where they exist, through a more concerted approach under the Common Country Assessment and United Nations Development Assistance Framework, towards achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration;

6. *Requests*, therefore, that the Executive Director, in cooperation with the other agencies of the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) in implementing joint programming, ensure that joint programming, including joint programmes where appropriate, results in improved development impact, including where appropriate to:

(a) Further harmonize country programme preparation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation processes, and improve communication between United Nations agencies during the whole programme cycle;

(b) Effectively deliver programme goals and contribute to the reduction of transaction costs;

(c) Promote common monitoring and reporting processes to governing bodies and joint approaches to evaluations;

7. *Takes note* of the efforts of UNICEF in contributing to the continued development by UNDG of a common framework, to include a common reporting framework, for joint programmes aimed at improving the impact and efficiency of United Nations agencies' efforts, in partnership with and to support national Governments, including UNICEF efforts to identify circumstances under which joint programmes might be a useful tool and what improvements in development impact would be achieved via use of joint programmes;

8. *Emphasizes* the UNICEF mandate and its budgetary, financial reporting and evaluation responsibilities, including with respect to joint programmes;

9. *Requests* the Executive Director to report on UNICEF participation in joint programming and joint programmes in her annual report to the Executive Board at the annual session of 2005, and to submit to the Board for its consideration at the annual session of 2005 a comprehensive report on the implementation of joint programming as outlined in this decision and on the UNDG Joint Programming Guidelines, including information on experiences and an analysis of resources allocated to the three options of fund management for joint programmes, and the resulting benefit in development impact or efficiency gains.

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19 January 2005*

2005/4. Draft country programme documents

The Executive Board

Approves the aggregate indicative budgets for the following country programmes of cooperation:

<i>Region/country</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Regular resources</i>	<i>Other resources</i>	<i>Document E/ICEF/2005/</i>
Eastern and Southern Africa				
Namibia	2005-2010	3 335 000	21 665 000	P/L.1 and Corr.1
Uganda	2005-2010	42 880 000	40 000 000	P/L.2
West and Central Africa				
Burkina Faso	2005-2010	33 745 000	40 500 000	P/L.3
Ghana	2005-2010	18 600 000	56 400 000	P/L.4
Liberia	2005	2 826 000	5 820 000	P/L.5
Americas and Caribbean				
Peru	2005-2010	4 500 000	18 700 000	P/L.6
East Asia and the Pacific				
Cambodia	2005-2010	23 550 000	68 970 000	P/L.7
China	2005-2010	61 035 000	40 000 000	P/L.8
Myanmar	2005-2010	41 130 000	65 000 000	P/L.9
Timor-Leste	2005-2007	2 044 000	13 000 000	P/L.10 and Corr.1
Viet Nam	2005-2010	20 000 000	63 800 000	P/L.11
South Asia				
Bangladesh	2005-2010	60 490 000	210 000 000	P/L.12
CEE, CIS and Baltic States				
Albania	2005-2010	3 375 000	12 000 000	P/L.13
Belarus	2005-2010	3 260 000	2 140 000	P/L.14 and Corr.1
Bulgaria	2005-2009	2 464 000	2 500 000	P/L.15
Georgia	2005-2010	3 370 000	6 000 000	P/L.16
Russian Federation	2005-2010	4 805 000	21 000 000	P/L.17
Turkey	2005-2010	5 045 000	25 000 000	P/L.18
Ukraine	2005-2010	4 775 000	7 520 000	P/L.19
Middle East and North Africa				
Palestinian children and women in Jordan, Lebanon, the Occupied Palestinian Territory and Syrian Arab Republic	2005-2007	4 000 000	24 240 000	P/L.20

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9 June 2005*

2005/5. Additional regular resources for approved country programmes

The Executive Board

Approves a total of \$80,397,731 in regular resources to fund the approved country programmes of 54 countries (shown in tables 1 and 2 below) for 2005 and for 2005, whose regular resources planning levels, based on the modified allocation system and estimated global levels of programmable regular resources, are higher than the balance of approved funds for these countries:

Table 1. Additional regular resources (RR) for 2005					
(In United States dollars)					
<i>Region/country</i>	<i>Document E/ICEF/</i>	<i>Programme duration</i>	<i>2005 RR Planning Level</i>	<i>2005 RR Balance</i>	<i>Additional 2005 RR to be approved</i>
			(A)	(B)	(A-B)
West and Central Africa					
Burkina Faso	2000/P/L.4/Add.1	2001-2005	6,749,000	2,759,165	3,989,835
Cape Verde	2004/P/L.5	2005	660,000	611,000	49,000
Chad	2000/P/L.5/Add.1	2001-2005	3,689,000	2,636,914	1,052,086
Democratic Rep. of the Congo	2002/P/L.26	2003-2005	21,929,000	14,597,211	7,331,789
Ghana	2000/P/L.6/Add.1	2001-2005	3,718,000	3,467,258	250,742
Liberia	2002/P/L.27	2003-2005	2,826,000	1,096,536	1,729,464
Eastern and Southern Africa					
Namibia	2001/P/L.6/Add.1	2002-2005	667,000	634,010	32,990
Rwanda ¹	2000/P/L.1/Add.1	2001-2005	4,499,000	3,834,098	664,902
Swaziland	2000/P/L.2/Add.1	2001-2005	751,000	599,574	151,426
Uganda	2000/P/L.3/Add.1	2001-2005	8,576,000	4,242,969	4,333,031
South Asia					
Afghanistan, Islamic Rep. of	2002/P/L.31	2003-2005	13,799,000	7,322,176	6,476,824
East Asia and the Pacific					
Cambodia	2000/P/L.9/Add.1	2001-2005	4,710,000	3,375,893	1,334,107
China	2000/P/L.10/Add.1	2001-2005	12,207,000	11,949,373	257,627
Indonesia	2000/P/L.11/Add.1	2001-2005	5,300,000	4,490,042	809,958
Myanmar	2000/P/L.12/Add.1	2001-2005	8,226,000	6,497,360	1,728,640
Timor-Leste	2002/P/L.30	2003-2005	1,022,000	720,543	301,457
Middle East and North Africa					
Palestinian children and women in Jordan	2003/P/L.13	2004-2005	225,000	200,000	25,000
Palestinian children and women in Lebanon	2003/P/L.13	2004-2005	400,000	350,000	50,000
Occupied Palestinian Territory	2003/P/L.13	2004-2005	950,000	850,000	100,000
Palestinian children and women in the Syrian Arab Rep.	2003/P/L.13	2004-2005	225,000	200,000	25,000
Central and Eastern Europe, the Commonwealth of Independent States and the Baltic States					
Belarus	2002/P/L.33	2003-2005	652,000	595,576	56,424
Russian Federation	2002/P/L.33	2003-2005	961,000	694,000	267,000
Turkey	2000/P/L.17/Add.1	2001-2005	1,009,000	846,000	163,000
Total			103,750,000	72,569,699	31,180,301

¹ Rwanda requires approval for additional RR for both 2005 and 2006 (\$664,902 and \$4,499,000 respectively) and is therefore included in both tables.

**Table 2. Additional regular resources (RR) for 2005
(In United States dollars)**

<i>Region/country</i>	<i>Document E/ICEF/</i>	<i>Programme duration</i>	<i>2005 RR Planning Level</i>	<i>2005 RR Balance</i>	<i>Additional 2005 RR to be approved</i>
			(A)	(B)	(A-B)
West and Central Africa					
Central African Republic	2001/P/L.10/Add.1	2002-2005	2,156,000	619,367	1,536,633
Equatorial Guinea	2001/P/L.11/Add.1	2002-2005	736,000	520,000	216,000
Gambia	2001/P/L.13/Add.1	2002-2005	971,000	330,165	640,835
Guinea	2001/P/L.14/Add.1	2002-2005	3,201,000	1,160,321	2,040,679
Guinea-Bissau ²	2002/P/L.5/Add.1	2003-2007	1,495,000	1,354,000	1,636,000
Sao Tome and Principe	2001/P/L.16/Add.1	2002-2005	660,000	569,000	91,000
Senegal	2001/P/L.17/Add.1	2002-2005	3,009,000	733,269	2,275,731
Togo	2001/P/L.18/Add.1	2002-2005	2,063,000	1,233,664	829,336
Eastern and Southern Africa					
Eritrea	2001/P/L.1/Add.1	2002-2005	1,785,000	611,470	1,173,530
Ethiopia	2001/P/L.2/Add.1	2002-2005	21,772,000	10,867,569	10,904,431
Malawi	2001/P/L.4/Add.1	2002-2005	5,945,000	4,207,012	1,737,988
Rwanda	2000/P/L.1/Add.1	2001-2005	4,499,000	0	4,499,000
South Africa	2001/P/L.7/Add.1 and Corr.1	2002-2005	997,000	694,251	302,749
Tanzania, United Republic of	2001/P/L.8/Add.1	2002-2005	11,733,000	1,827,574	9,905,426
Zambia	2001/P/L.9/Add.1	2002-2005	4,686,000	2,835,422	1,850,578
Zimbabwe	2004/P/L.4	2005-2005	2,021,000	1,829,000	192,000

² Guinea Bissau has a programme cycle 2003-2007, for which an additional RR allocation of \$1,495,000 in 2007 is included in this total. The required approval for RR in 2006 is \$141,000. When added to the required amount for 2007 (\$1,495,000) the total amount requested for approval is \$1,636,000 as shown in the table.

South Asia						
	Bhutan	2001/P/L.38/Add.1	2002-2005	966,000	877,775	88,225
	Nepal	2001/P/L.39/Add.1	2002-2005	5,000,000	4,389,205	610,795
East Asia and the Pacific						
	Lao People's Democratic Rep.	2001/P/L.35/Add.1	2002-2005	1,787,000	1,388,558	398,442
	Mongolia	2001/P/L.36/Add.1	2002-2005	907,000	707,602	199,398
	Thailand	2001/P/L.37/Add.1	2002-2005	1,000,000	956,000	44,000
Middle East and North Africa						
	Egypt	2001/P/L.43/Add.1	2002-2005	2,639,000	397,329	2,241,671
	Iraq	2001/P/L.71	2005-2005	2,014,000	1,858,000	156,000
	Sudan	2001/P/L.46/Add.1	2002-2005	6,169,000	3,455,306	2,713,694
	Yemen	2001/P/L.49/Add.1	2002-2005	4,651,000	3,962,213	688,787
Americas and the Caribbean						
	Belize	2001/P/L.19/Add.1	2002-2005	612,000	594,176	17,824
	Brazil	2001/P/L.20/Add.1	2002-2005	840,000	576,000	264,000
	Cuba	2001/P/L.23/Add.1	2002-2005	632,000	581,000	51,000
	Haiti	2001/P/L.27/Add.1	2002-2005	2,749,000	1,221,725	1,527,275
	Jamaica	2001/P/L.29/Add.1	2002-2005	633,000	587,758	45,242
	Panama	2001/P/L.32/Add.1	2002-2005	400,000	213,492	186,508
	Paraguay	2001/P/L.33/Add.1	2002-2005	746,000	593,347	152,653
	Total			99,474,000	51,751,570	49,217,430
Grand total for 2005 and 2005 (Table 1 + Table 2)						
				203,224,000	124,321,269	80,397,731

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2005/6. Additional other resources for approved country programmes

The Executive Board

Approves the total of \$371,031,000 in other resources for the approved country programmes for the 20 countries listed below, for the remaining periods of these programmes, subject to the availability of specific-purpose contributions:

Table. Proposed increases to other resources (OR) ceilings for approved country programmes (In thousands of United States dollars)					
<i>Region/country</i>	<i>Document E/ICEF/</i>	<i>Programme duration</i>	<i>Approved OR ceiling</i>	<i>Additional OR to be approved</i>	<i>Total OR ceiling</i>
			(A)	(B)	(A+B)
West and Central Africa					
Burkina Faso	2000/P/L.4	2001-2005	19 867	6 551	26 418
Cameroon	2002/P/L.3/Add.1	2003-2007	8 000	6 000	14 000
Côte d'Ivoire	2002/P/L.4/Add.1	2003-2007	8 000	15 000	23 000
Liberia	2002/P/L.27	2003-2005	11 700	2 280	13 980
Mauritania	2000/P/L.7/Add.11	2003-2008	12 000	3 000	15 000
Nigeria	2001/P/L.15/Add.1	2002-2007	72 000	116 400	188 400
Sierra Leone	2003/P/L.8/Rev.1	2004-2007	16 000	4 000	20 000

Togo	2001/P/L.18/Add.1	2002-2005	4 000	2 000	6 000
Eastern and Southern Africa					
Botswana	2002/P/L.1/Add.1	2003-2007	7 900	3 500	11 400
Comoros	2002/P/L.2/Add.1	2003-2007	1 500	1 000	2 500
Ethiopia	2001/P/L. 2/Add.1	2002-2005	60 000	10 000	70 000
Malawi	2001/P/L. 4/Add.1	2002-2005	52 200	21 000	73 200
Zimbabwe	2004/P/L. 4	2005-2005	14 000	29 600	43 600
South Asia					
India	2002/P/L.12/Add.1	2003-2007	250 000	100 000	350 000
East Asia and the Pacific					
Timor-Leste	2002/P/L.30	2003-2005	9 000	8 000	17 000
Middle East and North Africa					
Egypt	2001/P/L.43/Add.1	2002-2005	25 000	27 500	52 500
Central and Eastern Europe, the Commonwealth of Independent States and the Baltic States					
Moldova	2001/P/L.41/Add.1	2002-2005	7 500	2 500	10 000
Americas and the Caribbean					
Haiti	2001/P/L.27	2002-2005	17 500	11 500	29 000
Panama	2001/P/L.32/Add.1	2002-2005	2 250	600	2 850
Paraguay	2001/P/L.33/Add.1	2002-2005	3 025	600	3 625
Total increase				371 031	

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2005/7. UNICEF/WHO Global Immunization Vision and Strategy

The Executive Board,

Having considered the report on the draft immunization strategy (E/ICEF/2005/9 and WHO A58/12),

Alarmed that globally and in some regions immunization coverage has increased only marginally since the early 1990s, and that in 2003 more than 27 million children worldwide were not immunized during their first year of life;

Recognizing that each year 1.4 million children under five years of age die from diseases preventable by currently available vaccines;

Further recognizing that each year an additional 2.6 million children under five years of age die because of diseases potentially preventable by new vaccines;

Welcoming the achievements of the accelerated disease-control initiatives against poliomyelitis, measles, and maternal and neonatal tetanus in immunizing previously unreached populations, and *noting* that these initiatives have established extensive networks on which surveillance for other disease and health trends can be built or expanded;

Concerned that, owing to financial, structural and/or managerial constraints, national immunization programmes fail to reach all children and women eligible for immunization, underuse many existing vaccines, and are not widely introducing new vaccines;

Emphasizing the need for all countries to strive towards achieving the internationally agreed development goal in the United Nations Millennium Declaration of reducing by two thirds, between 1990 and 2015, the under-five child mortality rate;

Recalling the target of the United Nations General Assembly's twenty-seventh special session on children (2002) to ensure full immunization of children under one year of age, with at least 90% coverage nationally, and at least 80% coverage in every district or equivalent administrative unit;

Having considered the draft global immunization vision and strategy,

1. *Welcomes* the Global Immunization Vision and Strategy;
2. *Urges* countries:
 - (a) to meet immunization targets expressed in the United Nations General Assembly Special Session on Children;
 - (b) to adopt the Global Immunization Vision and Strategy as the framework for strengthening of national immunization programmes between 2005 and 2015, with the goal of achieving greater equity in access to immunization, of improving access to existing and future vaccines, and of extending the benefits of vaccination linked with other health interventions to age groups beyond infancy;
 - (c) to ensure that immunization remains a priority on the national health agenda, and is supported by systematic planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation processes, and long-term financial commitment;
3. *Requests* the Executive Director:
 - (a) to work closely with the World Health Organization (WHO), Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunization (GAVI), and other partners to provide support to Member States in implementation of the Global Immunization Vision and Strategy;
 - (b) to strengthen relations at global, regional and subregional levels with WHO, GAVI and other partners in order to mobilize the needed resources for countries to implement the Global Immunization Vision and Strategy;
 - (c) to report regularly to the Executive Board on progress towards achievement of global immunization targets.

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9 June 2005*

2005/8. Annual report of the Executive Director

The Executive Board,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Executive Director: results achieved for children in 2004 in support of the medium-term strategic plan (MTSP) for 2002-2005, contained in document E/ICEF/2005/6;
2. *Recalls* its decision 2004/9 on the UNICEF evaluation function, which requests that key findings from evaluations of the thematic areas of the MTSP be presented and discussed at the Executive Board as and when these become available, and furthermore requests that they be fully integrated into the annual report of the Executive Director;
3. *Recognizes* the importance of results-based management to the fulfilment of the UNICEF mandate and to establishing and monitoring the UNICEF contribution to the implementation of the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration, and follow-up to the United Nations General Assembly Special Session on Children;
4. *Requests* the Executive Director to strengthen the analytical content of her annual reports to the Executive Board to include both qualitative and quantitative measures of progress against the MTSP targets, with a discussion of progress made, challenges and constraints encountered, lessons learned and issues arising for consideration and guidance, while bearing in mind official limits on the overall length of the report.

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2005/9 Implementation of Executive Board decision 2002/4 on approval of country programmes

Recalling General Assembly resolution 59/250 of 22 December 2004 on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system, and *underlining* that further steps need to be taken to harmonize programming cycles and to synchronize them as far as possible with the national programming instruments, in particular national poverty reduction strategies, including poverty reduction strategy papers where they exist;

1. *Takes note* of the review of the modified procedures for consideration and approval of proposals for country programmes of cooperation (E/ICEF/2005/8);
2. *Recognizes* the progress made in the implementation of Executive Board decision 2002/4 on the approval of country programmes and therefore *reconfirms* the validity of the current approval procedure;

3. *Stresses* the need to ensure the quality and results orientation of country programme documents as well as their alignment with national priorities in the areas of competence of all agencies involved;
4. *Welcomes* the inclusion of a results matrix in UNICEF country programme documents and *requests* that, if possible, draft results matrices be made available, for information, with the draft country programme documents provided for the consideration of the Executive Board;
5. *Requests* the Executive Director of UNICEF to present to the Executive Board at its annual session of 2005 a report elaborated jointly with the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Population Fund on possible options to further improve and streamline the current harmonized country programme approval procedure, so as to decrease the time frame for developing and approving country programmes and to better synchronize them with the length of cycle of the respective national country programming instruments, bearing in mind the need to maintain the institutional integrity and organizational mandate of each agency.

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2005/10. Towards the elimination of violence against children and adolescents

The Executive Board

Recalling General Assembly resolution 59/250 of 22 December 2004 entitled “Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review of Operational Activities for Development of the United Nations System”,

Recalling also the Declaration and Plan of Action of the twenty-seventh special session of the General Assembly entitled “A World Fit for Children” of 10 May 2002, which provides a framework for the protection of the child against violence and exploitation,

Taking note of the outcomes of all regional consultations in the context of the study of the Secretary General on violence against children,

Recognizing that violence against children and adolescents is a phenomenon that is affecting societies, including violence related to gang activities,

1. *Requests* the Executive Director to continue to support Member States in their efforts to combat violence against children and adolescents;
2. *Decides* to include an oral report on UNICEF activities on violence related to children and adolescents in conflict with the law, including gang activities, in the agenda of the annual session of 2005.

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10 June 2005*

2005/11. Draft country programme documents

The Executive Board

Approves the aggregate indicative budget for the following country programmes of cooperation:

<i>(In United States dollars)</i>				
<i>Country</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Regular resources</i>	<i>Other resources</i>	<i>Document E/ICEF/2005/</i>
Swaziland	2005-2010	3 755 000	21 250 000	P/L.30
Cape Verde*	2005-2010	3 300 000	2 150 000	P/L.31 and Add.1
Chad	2005-2010	18 445 000	30 000 000	P/L.32
Democratic Republic of the Congo	2005-2007	43 858 000	50 000 000	P/L.33
Guyana	2005-2010	3 345 000	2 000 000	P/L.34
Indonesia	2005-2010	26 500 000	100 000 000	P/L.35
Islamic Republic of Afghanistan	2005-2008	41 397 000	126 000 000	P/L.36

* For this common country programme, the Board approves the UNICEF portion of the aggregate indicative budget.

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29 September 2005*

2005/12. Extension of cooperation with Rotary International for polio eradication and extension of the Vaccine Independence Initiative

The Executive Board

(a) Approves a five-year extension of the programme of cooperation with the PolioPlus programme of Rotary International for the period 2005 to 2010, in accordance with the terms of the original Board document (E/ICEF/1990/P/L.35), and an increase of \$10 million in the other resources programme amount, subject to the availability of specific-purpose contributions from Rotary International;

(b) Approves a five-year extension of the Vaccine Independence Initiative for the period 2005 to 2010, in accordance with the terms of the original Board document (E/ICEF/1991/P/L.41).

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29 September 2005*

2005/13. Funds to cover overexpenditures of 22 programmes

The Executive Board

Approves funding from regular resources to cover the overexpenditures for the following programmes, as discussed in document E/ICEF/2005/P/L.38.

<i>Programme/fund</i>	<i>Amount (In United States dollars)</i>
Angola	83 368.10
Armenia	1 442.99
Burundi	244 603.52
Chile	54 482.92
Croatia	348.91
Democratic Republic of the Congo	5 053.87
Eastern Caribbean (multi-country programme)	351.22
Interregional fund for programme preparation, promotion and evaluation	14 544.03
Jordan	6 490.00
Kenya	24 240.33
Kosovo, Serbia and Montenegro	23 815.55
Lebanon	35 558.68
Mozambique	4 801.54
Pacific island countries	215 470.40
Palestinian children and mothers (Lebanon)	5 770.60
Paraguay	18 183.89
Programme fund for the 1990s goals	14 307.87
Regional support for programme preparation, promotion and evaluation	50 619.41
Somalia	189 895.72
Tajikistan	389.90
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	36 841.14
Yemen	30 616.04
Total	1 061 196.63

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2005/14. UNICEF Innocenti Research Centre: proposed activities for 2005-2008

The Executive Board,

Having reviewed the progress report on the UNICEF Innocenti Research Centre and its proposed activities for 2005-2008 (E/ICEF/2005/13),

1. *Welcomes* the research, advocacy and policy studies conducted by the Centre in the current programme and *endorses* the framework for further work, as contained in E/ICEF/2005/13;

2. *Authorizes* a three-year extension of the Centre's programme for the period 2005-2008 with a total allocation of \$17 million in other resources, of which the Government of Italy has pledged to provide a minimum of EUR 5,430,000 (approximately \$6.5 million) for the core activities of the Centre;

3. *Invites* all donors to contribute to the Centre's programme activities in order to meet the full cost of expenditures foreseen by the Centre for the implementation of its programme for the period 2005-2008.

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2005/15. Additional support budget allocation for 2005 for increased security costs

The Executive Board,

Approves a supplementary budget appropriation of \$3 million to cover additional security-related costs in the 2004-2005 biennial support budget (E/ICEF/2005/AB/L.7), thus increasing from \$14 million to \$17 million the security-related costs for the biennium.

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2005/16. Advance support budget allocation for January 2005

The Executive Board,

Taking note of its decision 2004/7 (E/ICEF/2004/7/Rev.1 and E/ICEF/2004/AB/L.2) on the timing of the approval of the UNICEF biennial support budget,

1. *Approves* an interim one-month budget allocation for January 2005 in the amount of \$25.6 million (E/ICEF/2005/AB/L.3), pending final approval of the biennial support budget for 2005-2007;

2. *Notes* that the interim allocation does not include any changes that may be proposed in the biennial support budget for 2005-2007;

3. *Agrees* that the interim budget allocation will be absorbed in the biennial support budget for 2005-2007.

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2005/17. Programme of work for Executive Board sessions in 2005

The Executive Board

Adopts the following programme of work for Executive Board sessions in 2005, subject to revisions as appropriate during the year:

2005
first regular session
16-19 January
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Election of officers of the UNICEF Executive Board for 2005*• Annual report of the Executive Director to the Economic and Social Council*• Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit of relevance to UNICEF*• Approval of revised country programme documents (CPDs)*• Biennial support budget for 2005-2007*• Intercountry programmes*• Report on thematic funding to support implementation of the MTSP (E/ICEF/2005/5 (Part II), para. 11)• UNICEF health and nutrition strategy**• UNICEF water, sanitation and hygiene strategy for 2005-2015**• UNICEF education strategy: oral report**• UNICEF post-crisis transition strategy**• Private Sector Division (PSD) work plan and proposed budget for 2005*• Pledging event*
20, 23 January
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNICEF and UNDP/UNFPA, with the participation of WFP
Annual session
5-9 June
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Annual report of the Executive Director: progress and achievements against the medium-term strategic plan (MTSP)*• Draft CPDs*• Report on options to improve harmonized country programme approval process, prepared with UNDP and UNFPA (2005/9)• Implementation of joint programming (2005/3)• UNICEF engagement in sector-wide approaches (E/ICEF/2003/9/Rev.1, para. 31)• Progress report on the UNICEF evaluation function (2004/9)• Violence against children: oral report (2005/10)• UNICEF Maurice Pate Leadership Award*• Reports on field visits of Executive Board members*
Second regular session
5-8 September
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Decisions taken by the Economic and Social Council: oral report*• Draft CPDs (2002/4)*• Summaries of midterm reviews and major evaluations of country programmes*• Programme recommendations (additional resources for approved country programmes,

- other resources stand-alone, additional other resources, etc.)*
- Follow-up to the UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board*
- UNICEF education strategy**
- Financial medium-term plan for 2007-2010*
- Review of UNICEF recovery policy (2003/9, deferred from second regular session 2005)
- PSD financial report and statements for the year ended 31 December 2005*
- Report to the United Nations Board of Auditors and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions*
- Report on internal audit activities in 2005*
- Programme of work for Executive Board sessions in 2007-2008*

* Statutory request.

** Proposal by the secretariat.

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2005/18. Medium-term strategic plan for 2005-2009, including the financial medium-term plan

The Executive Board,

1. *Welcomes* the medium-term strategic plan (MTSP) (E/ICEF/2005/11), including the medium-term financial plan, as a flexible guiding framework for UNICEF action covering the period 2005-2009, which reaffirms the centrality of the United Nations country programming approach, recognizing national ownership in the process, and which will contribute to the outcomes of the General Assembly Special Session on Children and to the wider fulfilment of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, the Millennium Development Goals and other internationally agreed development goals;

2. *Approves* the organizational focus areas set forth in the plan, taking into account the particularities of each country's situation;

3. *Approves* the MTSP and its financial plan as a flexible guiding framework of projections for 2005-2009 (summarized in annex III, table 3), including the preparation of \$697 million in programme expenditures from regular resources in programmes to be submitted to the Executive Board in 2005. The amount is subject to revision based on the availability of resources and to the condition that estimates of income and expenditure made in this plan continue to be valid;

4. *Approves* the transfer to the funded reserve of \$20 million per year for after-service health insurance for 2005 and 2005 and \$10 million per year for 2007-2009, to be adjusted on the basis of financial projections;

5. *Requests* the Executive Director to assess progress towards the key results established in the MTSP in her annual report, bearing in mind Executive Board decision 2005/8 (E/ICEF/2005/5, Part II), and where necessary to propose adjustments for approval by the Executive Board.

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2005/19. UNICEF follow-up to the recommendations of the Global Task Team on improving AIDS Coordination

The Executive Board,

1. *Takes note* of document E/ICEF/2005/12 on the UNICEF implementation of the decisions and recommendations of the Programme Coordinating Board (PCB) of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS);
2. *Endorses* the recommendations of the Global Task Team on Improving AIDS Coordination among Multilateral Institutions and International Donors, and furthermore *endorses* all the related decisions of the PCB;
3. *Requests* UNICEF to develop appropriate action plans, in collaboration with the UNAIDS secretariat and other co-sponsors, and to maintain the momentum created by the Global Task Team, within the specified time frames;
4. *Requests* UNICEF, together with UNAIDS and other relevant development partners, to report on progress in implementing the Global Task Team's recommendations at the joint meeting of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund, UNICEF and the World Food Programme in January 2005, and at a special session during the June 2005 meeting of the PCB;
5. *Notes* the emphasis on support to country-level action and strengthening national responses and encourages UNICEF to provide effective technical support to national Governments and focus on their respective areas of comparative advantage;
6. *Requests* UNICEF to work with the UNAIDS secretariat to intensify HIV prevention by developing an action plan based on the UNAIDS policy position paper, *Intensifying HIV Prevention*;
7. *Notes* that this will require coordination and harmonization of efforts and a clear division of responsibilities with the UNAIDS secretariat and with other co-sponsors and coordination with national and global stakeholders.

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2005/20. Joint meetings of the Executive Boards of UNICEF, UNDP/UNFPA and WFP

The Executive Board,

Encourages the joint meetings of the Executive Boards of UNICEF, the United Nations Development Programme/the United Nations Population Fund and the World Food Programme to discuss and comment on one country case as a practical illustration of joint United Nations work in the field, and *invites* the United Nations agencies, funds and programmes taking part in the United Nations Development Assistance Framework to participate in this joint exercise.

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