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Item 2 of the Provisional Agenda

ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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1. Opening Statements

The Commission's Second Meeting will begin with a public session, by invitation, commencing at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, 27 March, in the Presidential Mansion. Statements will be made by:

- H.E. Emil Salim, Minister of State for Population and Environment
- Mrs. Gro Harlem Brundtland, Chairman
- H.E. President Suharto, President of the Republic of Indonesia

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The Commission will consider and adopt an Agenda and Timetable for the discussions. A Provisional Agenda and proposed Timetable for the discussions were circulated by the Secretary General in advance of the meeting. (WCED/85/1).

3. Progress Report of the Secretary General

Taking the Commission's "Mandate, Key Issues, Strategy and Workplan" as his point of departure, the Secretary General will give an overall report on progress since the Inaugural Meeting and on the proposed direction of the work.

4. Discussions with Invited Guests

Several heads of international organizations and experts were invited by the Chairman to prepare a short written statement for the Inaugural Meeting in October setting out their views on key issues. They were also invited to attend the meeting to discuss their views with the Commission in a private session, their statements having been circulated to the Commission before the meeting.

The following have been invited to participate in the Second Meeting on the same basis :

H.E. K.K.S. Rana, Chairman of the
Inter-governmental Inter-sessional Preparatory
Committee (IIPC) of UNEP

- Dr. Arcot Ramachadran, Executive Director, United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (UNCHS) (confirmed)
- Mr. S.A.M.S. Kibria, Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)
- Mr. Rafael M. Salas, Executive Director of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA)

Mr. Kibria has advised that it will not be possible for him to be in attendance, but a statement from him will be circulated to Commissioners. Discussions with each of the invited guests who will be attending will be scheduled to occur at convenient points throughout the meeting.

5. Key Issues - First Discussion

The agenda invites the Commission to discuss three basic issues in some depth, issues on which the Secretariat needs some guidance, since they cut across the Commission's Alternative Agenda. They are "Population, Environment and Sustainable Development", "Science, Technology and Sustainable Development" and "Multinational Investment and Sustainable Development". There will be one paper on each of these issues. Each of these issues could justify an entire meeting but, unfortunately, the Commission does not have that kind of time. It will however, come back to these issues again at its 3rd or 4th sessions, or both.

6. Proposed Work Programmes

In addition to the three issues referred to above, the Commission will be able to consider the proposed work programmes under several of the Alternative Agenda items. The Secretariat should be ready with those on "Energy", "Industry", "Food Security", "Human Settlements", "Decision Support Systems" and "International Cooperation".

As for the work plan on "International Economic Relations", the Secretariat will have some ideas to put forward but it would be useful to have the Commission discuss this issue in a general way before developing a document.

7. Information Strategy of the Commission

The need for effective communication of the work

and principal concerns of the Commission was repeatedly emphasized in the discussions at the Inaugural Meeting. Based on work and consultations since then, a proposed Information Strategy (WCED/85/10) has been prepared for consideration at the Second Meeting.

8. Budgetary and Financial Matters

The Commission adopted a budget at its Inaugural Meeting (WCED/84/RD1) and it agreed that all Commissioners should assist in WCED fundraising efforts. It also established a special Finance Committee to help prepare and implement a fundraising strategy.

At the Second Meeting the Commission will receive for discussion a current status report on the budget, available resources and fundraising efforts (WCED/85/11), and an oral report by the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

9. Other Business

Under this item, Members can raise other matters deserving the attention of the Commission which have not been dealt with under previous agenda items.

10. Future Meetings

The next meeting is scheduled to be held during the last week of June in Oslo and the Chairman will propose precise dates for that meeting. Taking into account relevant suggestions and comments made during the discussions at the Second Meeting, the Chairman will also propose a list of items to be included in the provisional agenda, and possible guests to be invited to discuss their views on issues of relevance to the Commission. An information paper outlining the provisional programme for the Oslo Meeting will be available for the Commissioners' review in Jakarta.

Soundings are proceeding concerning the location and dates of future meetings and the Commission will need to discuss and agree on firm dates for the fall 1985 meeting and provisional locations and dates for meetings through 1986 and 1987.