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INTRODUCTION

1. The purpose of this document is to report on progress in the implementation of the programme of work and priorities for the biennium 1986-1987, during the first half of the biennium, as background for the examination of the proposals for the biennium 1988-1989. In this context, the report reviews implementation rates by programme, the problems experienced in implementation of mandated activities and examines implementation prospects during 1987 and for the entire biennium.
2. With the adoption by the General Assembly of resolution 37/234 on the Regulations Governing Programme Planning, the Programming Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation, an integrated management system is being gradually developed in the secretariat such that the previously separate activities are being steadily fused into an integrated whole. As for programme performance reporting, which is the subject of this report, there have been some improvements, although as observed by the Conference at its eighteenth session, much more remains to be done.
3. Changes in performance monitoring which have taken place since the last report to the Conference include the following:
 - (a) The total number of mandated outputs against which performance is measured now includes outputs carried over from previous bienniums (following a decision of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination);
 - (b) All outputs reported as completed are now subject to auditing, and the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination has recommended that the General Assembly request the Board of External Auditors to include, in the Board's report to the Assembly, as appropriate, its findings with regard to the audits of output delivery carried out by the Internal Audit Division;
 - (c) The assessment of performance by programmes is based on the number of outputs programmed for the biennium, including all outputs carried over from previous bienniums, and on that figure the performance rate is calculated using outputs implemented with or without reformulation;
 - (d) Performance reports are now prepared on a six-month basis and the Executive Secretary makes a review of the implementation of the programme of work and priorities every six months to examine implementation problems and propose corrective measures.
4. The number and type of outputs to be implemented in each biennium are examined by this Conference and approved by the General Assembly on the recommendations of the Secretary-General of the United Nations to the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination which later recommends them to the General Assembly with or without

amendments. These outputs constitute the mandated outputs and provide the base upon which the monitoring exercise is based. As already indicated, the mandated outputs also include all outputs carried over from the previous bienniums.

5. On account of the grave financial situation facing the United Nations, the Secretary-General in early 1986 proposed, and the General Assembly approved, a number of measures to relieve the immediate cash situation of the Organization. The measures were carefully selected such that while affecting the implementation of mandated programmes, they would least prejudice them. Those measures included:

(a) A 20 per cent reduction in costs relating to travel, the hiring of consultants, temporary assistance and overtime;

(b) The deferral of a number of alteration and maintenance projects;

(c) Strict and rigorous application of the resolutions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council on the control and limitation of documents.

6. In the course of the year, it became clear that the measures were not adequate, and new measures, with a direct impact on the implementation of mandated programmes were introduced. These included:

(a) Suspension of all recruitment;

(b) Non-extension of appointments beyond retirement age for all staff at levels D-2 and below;

(c) Deferral for a six-month period, of the implementation of the promotion register;

(d) Further reduction of overtime allotments from the current 20 per cent to a total of 50 per cent;

(e) A 30 per cent reduction in the number, duration and frequency of intergovernmental and expert group meetings.

7. The implementation of mandated outputs was severely affected as a result of these measures. Thus, advisory services, technical publications, and inter-governmental meetings were reformulated, postponed or terminated as a result of the crisis. Also since the incidence of vacancies differed from programme to programme, the implementation capabilities of programmes were similarly affected, and implementation rates vary quite widely as a result. For the secretariat as a whole 93 outputs were proposed for deferral by the Secretary-General in documents presented

to the resumed 40th session of the General Assembly, i.e. A/40/1101 (including its addenda and corrigenda) and A/C.5/40/CRP.4 hereafter abbreviated as CRP.4 and 77 outputs were finally deferred. A further 82 outputs were either postponed or terminated because of the freeze on recruitment and the reduction in funds for consultancies, travel, intergovernmental and expert group meetings.

8. In determining the implementation rate presented for each programme, the number of deferred outputs has been excluded from the calculations since, as has been discussed above, resources for the implementation of those outputs were not available to the affected programmes. Since the same argument is also applicable to outputs postponed because of the freeze on recruitment, the reduction in funds for meetings, travel and consultancies and also to terminations arising from these factors, a second percentage implementation rate that excludes such outputs is presented in the text for all affected programmes.

9. For 1987, the financial situation still remains precarious, and most of the measures introduced in 1986 will continue throughout 1987. However, in order to distribute as equitably as possible the impact of suspension of recruitment on the implementation of mandated activities, the Secretary-General has now introduced, as a temporary measure, a vacancy management and staff redeployment plan which if successful should assist the secretariat in filling some of the existing vacant posts. But if the plan is not successful, the implementation of programmed mandates will continue to suffer and the number of postponed and terminated outputs may increase. The Conference may therefore wish, in consideration of the present situation to re-examine and decide on the future of all outputs deferred or postponed to 1987 because of the crisis.

10. The rest of this report is presented by programme, and for each programme, the review is made in to two sections:

(a) Summary of the implementation of mandated outputs during 1986;

(b) Detailed examination of the departures from programmed commitments with reasons for such departures as appropriate.

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE IN AFRICA

11. A total of 46 outputs were programmed for implementation during 1986, and of those 15 were implemented as programmed and 6 after reformulation. Six outputs were deferred on the basis of document A/C.5/40/CRP.4 because of the financial crisis. Other departures from programmed commitments included the following:

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| (a) Postponed because of vacant posts and the freeze on recruitment | 4 |
| (b) Postponed because of the reduction in consultancy, meeting and travel funds | 12 |
| (c) Postponed for other reasons | 3 |
| (d) Additional outputs | |
| (i) Required by legislation | 6 |
| (ii) Added at the initiative of the secretariat | 3 |

12. Excluding deferred outputs, the programme attained an implementation rate of 52.5 per cent on programmed commitments. In adjusting the number of programmed outputs for postponement because of the financial crisis, the implementation rate for the programme rises to 87.5 per cent.

Details of departures from programmed commitments

(a) Deferred on the basis of CRP.4 because of the financial crisis

- 1.1 (iii) Substantive servicing of one seminar on the strengthening of member States' capacity in analysis, formulation and implementation of agricultural policies, plans, programmes and projects (fourth quarter, 1986).
- 2.1 (i) Advisory services to two member States in the North and West African MULPOC subregions, on request, on the preparation and implementation of rural development projects (one mission, second quarter, 1986; one, fourth quarter 1986).

2.4 (i) Advisory services to countries served by the Lusaka-based MULPOC, on request, on the harmonization and co-ordination of livestock development policies and programmes (one mission, second quarter, 1986).

3.1 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on increasing the effectiveness of agricultural marketing institutions, services and facilities (two missions in 1986).

(b) Postponed because of vacant posts and the freeze on recruitment

1.3 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on measures for improvement of agricultural statistical data (one mission in 1986).

1.3 (iii) Technical publication on basic data requirements for the harmonization of national plans and policies for the development of food and agriculture (third quarter, 1986). */

1.4 (i) Report to the 12th meeting of the Conference of Ministers on policy measures and institutions for improved forest conservation, management and development in Africa (second quarter, 1986)

2.3 (iv) Report to the Conference of Ministers on a study of food import substitution programmes in Africa (second quarter, 1986). */

(c) Postponed because of the reduction in funds for intergovernmental meetings, consultancies and travel

1.1 (i) Advisory services to member States and intergovernmental organizations, on request, on policies, plans and investment programmes (one mission in 1986).

1.1 (iii) Substantive servicing of two seminars on strengthening of member States' capacity in analysis, formulation and implementation of agricultural policies, plans, programmes and projects (one seminar, fourth quarter 1986).

*/ Carried over from 1984-1985 biennium.

- 1.2 (i) Reports to the 9th meetings of Officials and Councils of Ministers of the Lusaka and Niamey-based Multinational Programming and Operational Centres (MULPOCs) on the implementation of the food and agricultural aspects of the Lagos Plan of Action at the subregional levels (first quarter, 1986).
- 2.2 (ii) Substantive servicing of two training seminars for government officials on improving current agricultural research and information systems (one, fourth quarter 1986).
- 2.3 (i) Advisory services to countries served by the Lusaka- and Niamey-based MULPOCs, on request, on the development, harmonization and co-ordination of livestock development policies and programmes (one mission, second quarter, 1986).
- 2.4 (iii) Substantive servicing of a seminar on livestock development policies and programmes in the North African MULPOC subregion for agricultural development planners (second quarter, 1986).
- 2.4 (v) Substantive servicing of a seminar on livestock development policies and programmes for livestock development planners in the West African MULPOC subregion (one, third quarter, 1986).
- 3.2 (i) Substantive servicing of a seminar on improved technologies for reducing post-harvest food losses for agricultural development officials (third quarter, 1986).
- 1.4 (iii) Report to the Conference of Ministers on land-use policies and farming systems (second quarter, 1986). */
- 2.2 (iv) Report to the Conference of Ministers on constraints inhibiting effective agricultural services and institutions for small farmers (fourth quarter, 1986). */
- 2.3 (iii) Report to the Conference of Ministers on the review of food policies and programmes for intergovernmental institutions (second quarter, 1986). */
- 2.4 (vii) Report to the Conference of Ministers on African experience in integrated and mixed farming practices (second quarter, 1986). */

*/ Carried over from 1984-1985 biennium.

(d) Postponed for other reasons

13. These outputs were programmed for delivery to the Conference of Ministers in April 1987, but the delivery was erroneously shown as third and fourth quarters, 1986, which are the expected completion dates. As the outputs have not yet been delivered to their users, they are treated as postponed.

- 2.1 (ii) Report to the 13th meeting of the Conference of Ministers on the implementation of the recommendations of the World Conference on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development in the Lusaka-based MULPOC subregion (fourth quarter, 1986).

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- 2.5 (ii) Report to the 13th meeting of the Conference of Ministers on a comparative study and analysis of ongoing food security programmes in Africa (fourth quarter, 1986).

- 3.2 (ii) Report to the 13th meeting of the Conference of Ministers and to the General Assembly on measures taken by African countries to reduce food losses over the period 1974-1985 (third quarter, 1986).

(e) Additional outputs required by legislation

- (i) Report to the Council of Plenipotentiaries of the North African MULPOC on co-operation and trade in food and agriculture products among Algeria, Morocco, and Tunisia (first quarter, 1986);
- (ii) Report to the Council of Plenipotentiaries of the North African MULPOC on co-operation in trade and production in the field of food and agriculture among North African countries (first quarter, 1986);
- (iii) Report to the Council of Plenipotentiaries of the North African MULPOC on the Fish and Agriculture Sector in North Africa: Harmonization of development policies (first quarter, 1986);
- (iv) Report to the Council of Plenipotentiaries of the North African MULPOC on harmonization of livestock development policies in North Africa (first quarter, 1986);

(v) Report to the 9th meeting of the Council of Ministers of the Lusaka-based MULPOC on policy issues relating to land use and management in Eastern and Southern Africa (first quarter, 1986);

(vi) Report to the 9th meeting of the Council of Ministers of the Lusaka-based MULPOC on policy issues and agriculture development in Eastern and Southern Africa (first quarter, 1986).

14. The six additional outputs were implemented at the requests of the Council of Plenipotentiaries of the North African MULPOC and the Council of Ministers of the Lusaka-based MULPOC respectively.

(f) Additional outputs added at the initiative of the secretariat

(i) Report to the ECA Conference of Ministers on the situation of food and agriculture in Africa (second quarter, 1986);

(ii) Report to the Seminar on Food Aid for Development for Sub-Saharan Africa: A Reconsideration (first half, 1986);

(iii) Technical support services to the World Food Programme on food aid for development for a seminar held in Côte d'Ivoire from 2 to 11 September 1986.

15. The two outputs were implemented to meet the objectives of the Medium-term Plan, 1984-1989 as stated in paragraphs 13.23 to 13.26 and in 13.26 to 13.29 respectively, and the third following a request from the World Food Programme.

MARINE AFFAIRS IN AFRICA

16. Fifteen outputs were programmed for implementation during 1986. However, because of the financial crisis facing the United Nations and the measures taken by the Secretary-General on the authority of the General Assembly like the freeze on recruitment, none of the outputs were implemented. All the fifteen outputs, as listed below were consequently deferred:

1.1 (i) Advisory services to member States and multinational groupings, on request, on interpretation of the Convention on the Law of the Sea (one mission, 1986).

1.1 (ii) Technical publications on:

- (a) African technical capabilities for exploration, exploitation, development and management of the resources of the sea (first quarter, 1986);
- (b) Country reports on African technical capabilities for the exploration, exploitation, development and management of resources of the sea (13 reports, first quarter, 1986).

DEVELOPMENT ISSUES AND POLICIES IN AFRICA

17. This programme has 8 subprogrammes and is managed by three secretariat units: Subprogrammes 1, 2 and 3 by the Socio-Economic Research and Planning Division (SERPD), subprogramme 4 by the Economic Co-operation Office (ECO), subprogrammes 5 and 6 by the Public Administration, Manpower and Management Division (PAMMD), and subprogrammes 7 and 8 by the Pan-African Development Information System (PADIS). Subprogrammes 7 and 8 are entirely extrabudgetary and have not been included in this report.

SUBPROGRAMMES: 1. SOCIO-ECONOMIC PLANNING
2. FISCAL, MONETARY AND FINANCIAL ISSUES AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL
3. LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

18. Twenty five outputs were programmed for implementation during 1986, and of those 17 were implemented as programmed and 1 after reformulation. Departures from programmed commitments included 7 outputs which were deferred because of the financial crisis. Two of the deferred outputs have been implemented in response to requests from two member States for technical assistance and support for the Round Tables and Donor Conferences organized by them, and another two have now been earmarked for termination. In addition, there were 4 additional outputs one of which was required by legislation and three added at the initiative of the secretariat.

19. Excluding 5 deferred outputs, the programme attained an implementation rate of 90.0 per cent during 1986.

Details of departures from programmed commitments

Deferred because of the financial crisis

- 1.3(output): Report to the fourth session of the Joint Conference of African Planners, Statisticians and Demographers on the design and use of a system of socio-economic indicators in African countries (first quarter, 1986).
- 1.4 Activities on (a) review and appraisal of the implementation of the International Development Strategy in the African region; (b) effects of currency devaluation in five selected African countries; and (c) mass poverty and income distribution in Africa.
- 2.1 Advisory services to member States, on request, in the field of fiscal, monetary and financial policies (one mission in 1986).
- 2.2 Report to the fourth session of the Joint Conference of African Planners, Statisticians and Demographers on a study on the effectiveness of traditional tools of monetary management in Africa (first quarter, 1986).
- 3.1 Advisory services to African least developed countries, on request, in planning, programming and project preparation (three missions in 1986).
- 3.4 (1) Report to the Conference of Ministers of African Least Developed countries on drought and food strategies in Africa (second quarter, 1986).

SUBPROGRAMME: 4. POLICIES, INSTITUTIONS AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION

20. A total of 23 outputs were programmed for implementation during 1986, and of those 11 were implemented as programmed; 4 were deferred on account of the financial crisis; and 8 terminated for reasons other than the financial crisis. Thirty-seven additional outputs, required by legislation, were also prepared for the 5 MULPOC legislative organs.

21. Excluding deferred outputs, the subprogramme attained an implementation rate of 55.0 per cent on programmed commitments, rising to 82.8 per cent after adjusting for outputs prepared for the MULPOC legislative organs.

Details of departures from programmed commitments

(a) Deferred on account of the financial crisis

- 4.1 (iii) Advisory services to six African countries, on request, on strengthening their focal points with regard to economic and technical co-operation among developing countries (three missions in 1986).
- 4.2 (x) Report to the Southern African Labour Commission on economic and social aspects of migratory labour matters in Southern Africa (one report in 1986).
- 4.4 (activities) Co-ordinating and monitoring the implementation of technical co-operation activities - scaling down of economic co-operation management activities.

(b) Terminated for reasons other than the crisis

- 4.1 (i) Report to and substantive servicing of a joint meeting of representatives of African and Latin American States on proposals for the establishment of a joint intergovernmental consultative committee for co-ordination and monitoring of economic and technical co-operation between Africa and Latin America (fourth quarter, 1986).
- (ii) Report to the representatives of African and Latin American States on the implementation of the action-oriented proposals made by the first joint intergovernmental meeting of experts from Africa and Latin America in the fields of trade, manpower development and science and technology (fourth quarter, 1986).
- 4.3 (ii) Report to Chief Executives of major economic groupings in Africa, the differences between them, and their progressive elimination (fourth quarter, 1986).

22. Progress already achieved in interregional TCDC/ECDC projects in priority areas renders outputs 4.1 (i) and (ii) obsolete, and they have consequently been terminated. Output 4.3 (ii) was also terminated as obsolete and of marginal usefulness. Resources released have been used in intermediate activities such as preparation of projects for the UNDP fourth programming cycle and completion of outputs for the first quarter, 1987.

4.2 (v) Technical publication: Charter of collaboration among West African intergovernmental organizations (third quarter, 1986).

23. This output was terminated as it had already been published in 1984.

4.3 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on (a) the evaluation of inter-subregional policies conducive to closer regional co-operation and integration (two missions in 1986); and (b) identification and formulation of inter-subregional projects and joint ventures for accelerating regional economic co-operation and integration through co-ordination and harmonization of the policies and programmes of the subregional economic groupings (two missions in 1986).

24. Both outputs 4.3(i) (a) and (b) were terminated because no member States had requested advisory services in those areas.

SUBPROGRAMMES: 5. EDUCATION AND TRAINING FOR DEVELOPMENT

6. MANPOWER AND EMPLOYMENT PLANNING AND POLICIES

25. A total of 30 outputs were programmed for 1986, and of those, 19 were implemented as programmed, and one after reformulation. Departures from programmed commitments included 5 outputs deferred because of the financial crisis and two postponed for reasons other than the financial crisis. Three outputs were terminated on account of the financial crisis.

26. Excluding the five deferred outputs, the two subprogrammes attained an implementation rate of 66.67 per cent on programmed commitments, rising to 86.36 per cent after adjusting for outputs terminated because of the financial crisis.

Details of departures from programmed commitments

(a) Deferred on the basis of CRP.4

5.2 (iii) Technical publication on the status and effectiveness of existing non-formal education systems (one issue in 1986).

6.2 (i)(a) Advisory services to member States, on request, on designing instruments for conducting manpower and employment surveys (one mission in 1986).

6.2 (iii) Technical publications: (a) Time series data on manpower requirements and employment (third quarter, 1986); and (b) and problems of manpower and employment data collection and processing in selected member States (one in 1986).

6.3 (iii) Substantive servicing of one workshop for ministry of labour and union officials on institutional arrangements, policy formulation and strategies for employment generation, job distribution and productivity enhancement (one workshop in 1986).

Postponed for reasons other than the financial crisis

5.4 (iii) Report to the Training Development Conference of the African Association for Training and Development and the Conference of Ministers Responsible for Human Resources Planning, Development and Utilization on the progress, status and effectiveness of staff development training in Africa (third quarter, 1986).

27. Since the Conference of Ministers Responsible for Human Resources Planning, Development and Utilization is scheduled to take place in October 1987, preparation of the report has been postponed to first half of 1987 so as to ensure an up-to-date presentation. The resources released from the postponement were used for organizing the ECA/IBRD Consultative Meeting on Strategies for the Development of Education in Sub-Saharan Africa.

6.1 (ii) Substantive servicing of one national workshop for manpower and employment planners on concepts and techniques of manpower and employment plans and reports (one in 1986).

28. This output was postponed to 1987 following a request by the host member State that the workshop should be conducted in April 1987. Resources released from the postponement were used for preparing the Division's contribution to ECA's Survey of Economic and Social Conditions in Africa, 1985-1986.

(c) Terminated because of the financial crisis

6.2 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on developing a framework for manpower and employment planning data and information systems (one mission in 1986).

6.2 (iii) Technical publication on status and problems of manpower, and employment data collection and processing in selected member States (one in 1986).

29. Outputs (i) and (iii) above were terminated because of the non-availability of work-months following the retirement of a staff member at the end of June 1986 and the fact that no replacement took place on account of the freeze on recruitment due to the financial crisis.

6.4 (i) Substantive servicing of the meeting of the Ministerial Follow-up Committee of Nine of the Conference of Ministers of Human Resources Planning, Development and Utilization (one in 1986).

30. This output was terminated by the secretariat because of the reduction in funds for intergovernmental meetings on account of the financial crisis.

ENVIRONMENT IN AFRICA

31. Eight outputs were programmed for implementation in 1986, and of those 4 were implemented as programmed, 1 after reformulation, and 1 was deferred on account of the financial crisis, 1 postponed because of the reduction of funds for expert group meetings and another for lack of requests. Other departures from programmed commitments included one additional output added at the initiative of the secretariat.

32. Excluding the deferred output, the programme attained an implementation rate of 71.4 per cent on programmed commitments rising to 83.3 per cent after excluding outputs postponed because of the crisis.

Details of departures from programmed commitments(a) Deferred on account of the financial crisis

- 1.3 (output) Report to the Council of Ministers of the Lusaka-based MULPOC on the environmental problems related to the development and management of underground water for agricultural use in the countries of the Kalahari desert region (first quarter, 1986).

(b) Postponed because of the reduction in funds for intergovernmental and expert group meetings, consultancy and travel

- 1.3 (ii) Substantive servicing of expert group meeting to evaluate the impacts of measures recommended to solve environmental health and sanitation problems in Africa (fourth quarter, 1986).

(c) Postponed for reasons other than the financial crisis

- 1.1 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on the implementation of the Regional Plan of Action to Combat the Effects of Drought in Africa (one mission in 1986).

33. This output has been postponed because of lack of requests from member States.

HUMAN SETTLEMENTS IN AFRICA

34. Ten outputs were programmed for implementation during 1986, and of those 5 were implemented as programmed, three were deferred on account of the financial crisis, one was postponed for reasons other than the crisis and the last terminated for lack of resources in the light of the present crisis.

35. After excluding the deferred outputs, the programme attained an implementation rate of 71.4 per cent on programmed commitments, rising to 83.3 per cent after adjusting for outputs terminated because of the financial crisis.

Details of departures from programmed commitments(a) Deferred because of the financial crisis and subsequently terminated

- 1.1 (iii) Advisory services to ECA member States, on request, on strengthening and developing national institutional machinery for the formulation and implementation of human settlements policies (one mission in 1986).

2.1 (iii) Advisory services to member States, on request, on programmes and projects for improving and developing facilities and programmes (one mission in 1986).

2.4 (ii) Advisory services to member States, on request, on strategies to develop building materials production industries in Africa (one mission in 1986).

(b) Postponed for reasons other than the financial crisis

2.3 (ii) Technical advisory assistance to the subregional building and building materials research centre on research needs and priorities, organization of training programmes and publication of technical manuals (one mission in 1986) (XB).

36. The mission was postponed because of lack of requests from member States.

(c) Terminated because of the financial crisis

1.1 (iv) Computer print-outs on information on human settlements (fourth quarter 1984).

37. This output was a carry-over from the biennium 1984-1985, and was terminated because of lack of resources in the light of the financial crisis facing the Organization.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA

38. A total of 56 outputs were programmed for implementation during 1986 and of those, 9 were implemented as programmed, and 12 after reformulation. Other departures from programmed commitments included 10 deferred on the basis of CRP.4, 10 postponed because of the reduction in funds for intergovernmental meetings, travel and consultancies, 7 postponed because of the freeze in recruitment, 5 postponed for reasons other than the crisis, and 3 terminated because of the crisis. The programme had a large number of vacancies and the posts could not be filled because of the freeze on recruitment.

39. Excluding the deferred outputs, the programme attained an implementation rate of 47.8 per cent, and if further adjustments for outputs postponed and terminated because of the crisis are made, the implementation rate rises to 80.77 per cent.

Details of departures from programmed commitments(a) Deferred because of the financial crisis

- 1.1 (v) Investment Africa Bulletin (one issue, 1986).
- 1.2 (a) and (b) Advisory services to member States, on request, (a) in the development of appropriate institutions for industrialization and in restructuring industrial development co-operation and promotion mechanisms (one mission in 1986); and (b) in substantive and technical support of intercountry institutions such as the African Regional Centre for Engineering Design and Manufacturing and the African Industrial Development Fund (one mission in 1986).
- 2.2(v)(a) Technical publications on manufacture of (a) wagons in the Eastern and Southern African and the Central African subregions (first quarter, 1986).
- 2.2 (vi) Substantive servicing of one workshop on the same subject (second quarter, 1986).
- 2.4 (output) Substantive servicing of three intergovernmental technical meetings on consultation, negotiation and investment promotion of multinational projects in the context of MULPOCs (three meetings in 1986).
- 4.2 (v) Advisory services to member States, on request, on the preparation of a portfolio of project profiles on specific small-scale industrial projects (two missions in 1986).

(b) Postponed because of the reduction in funds for inter-governmental meetings, expert group meetings, travel and consultancies

- 1.1 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on (a) industrial policy and planning (one mission in 1986); (b) developing indigenous capabilities and infrastructural capacities for implementing integrated industrial programmes within the framework of core industries at the national or multinational level (one mission in 1986).
- 1.2 (output) Advisory services to member States, on request, on the development of appropriate institutions for industrialization and in restructuring industrial development co-operation and promotion mechanisms (one mission in 1986).

- 2.1 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on various aspects of the development of the chemical industry (one mission in 1986).
- 2.1 (ii) Report to the Conference of African Ministers of Industry on optimizing the utilization of existing installed capacity in the chemical industry through industrial co-operation (second quarter 1986).
- 2.3 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on various aspects of the development of the metal industry (two missions in 1986).
- 2.3 (ii) Report to the Conference of African Ministers of Industry on optimizing the utilization of existing installed capacity in the iron and steel and related industries through industrial co-operation (second quarter, 1986).
- 3.1 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on various aspects of the development of agro-based industries (one mission in 1986).
- 4.1 (output) Advisory services to member States, on request, on policies, support institutions and services (one mission, 1986).
- 4.2 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on the preparation of a portfolio of project profiles on specific small-scale industrial projects (two missions in 1986).
- (c) Postponed because of the freeze on recruitment
 - 2.2 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on various aspects of the development of the engineering industry (two missions in 1986).
 - 2.2 (ii) Report to the Conference of African Ministers of Industry on optimizing the utilization of installed capacity in the engineering industry through industrial co-operation (second quarter, 1986).
 - 3.2 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on various aspects of the development of forest-based industries (three missions in 1986).

- 3.2 (ii) Report to the Council of Ministers of the West African MULPCC on consultation, negotiation and investment promotion in multinational pulp and paper industry in West Africa (third quarter 1986).

(d) Postponed for reasons other than the financial crisis

- 1.1 (iv) Technical publication for government officials and investors, on collaboration in investment promotion, mobilization of resources, and industrial raw materials and market pooling (fourth quarter 1986).

40. The output has been reformulated by the secretariat in order to reflect the needs of member States as specified in the United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development (UN-PAAERD), and its completion has consequently been postponed to 1987.

- 1.1 (v) Investment Africa Pulletin (two issues per year).

41. One issue has been reformulated and postponed, at the initiative of the secretariat in order to combine it with a carry-over from the previous bienniums and the revised format will emphasize the current industrialization problems and constraints of the continent.

- 1.1 (vii) Substantive servicing of the meeting of the ninth Conference of African Ministers of Industry (second quarter, 1986).

42. In view of the rescheduling of the meeting of the eighth Conference of Ministers, the ninth Conference of Ministers has been postponed to the third quarter of 1987 and reformulated into a "Special Session" as recommended by the eighth Conference with a view to preparing for UNIDO II.

(e) Terminated because of the financial crisis

- 3.2 (iii) Reports to the Council of Ministers of the MULPOCs on planning inputs, final products, market and manpower training for identified multinational pulp and paper industries and their investment promotion (three in 1986).

43. The three outputs were scheduled for postponement because of the freeze on recruitment and the reduction in consultancy funds. Since available resources are not sufficient to implement these outputs in addition to those already programmed for 1987, it has been decided to terminate the three outputs. In addition, and because of the same reasons, deferred outputs 1.1(v), 2.2(v), 2.2(vi), and 2.4 (output) are also being proposed for termination.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT FINANCE IN AFRICA

44. A total of 54 outputs were programmed for implementation during 1986, and of those 22 were implemented as programmed and 8 after reformulation. Other departures from programmed commitments included the following:

(a) Outputs deferred on account of the United Nations financial crisis	11
(b) Outputs postponed because of the crisis	3
(c) Outputs postponed for other reasons	5
(d) Outputs terminated because of the financial crisis	4
(e) Outputs terminated for reasons other than the financial crisis	1

The programme was also able to implement one additional output, added at the initiative of the secretariat using resources saved from the reformulated outputs.

45. Excluding outputs deferred because of the financial crisis, the programme attained an implementation rate of 69.8 per cent on programmed commitments and that rate rose to 83.3 per cent after excluding 3 postponements and 4 terminations which were necessary because of the financial crisis.

Details of departures from programmed commitments

(a) Deferred on the basis of CRP.4 because of the financial crisis

2.3 (a) Technical publication: African Trade Bulletin (two issues in 1986).

2.3 (b) Flash on Trade Opportunities (six issues in 1986).

3.1 (ii) Substantive servicing of the fourth meeting of the Ministerial Follow-up Committee on Trade and Finance for African Development (first quarter, 1986).

3.2 (output) Report to the fourth meeting of the Follow-up Ministerial Committee on Trade and Finance for African Development on the implementation of the Integrated Programme of Commodities for Africa (first quarter, 1986).

4.2 (i) Technical publication on problems of balance of payments in Africa's development (second quarter, 1986).

(b) Postponed because of the financial crisis

2.1 (ii) Technical publications on (a) trade policy and rules of origin (first quarter, 1986).

Output reformulated into a report to senior trade and customs officials and was postponed to 1987 because the workshop of customs officials under 2.1 (iii) below which is the user of the publication had been postponed to 1987.

2.1 (iii) Substantive servicing of a workshop for senior trade and customs officials on trade policy and rules of origin (second quarter, 1986).

This output was postponed to 1987 due to the United Nations financial crisis since it was not possible to meet the cost of interpreters at the meeting.

3.4 (ii) Technical publication on trade prospects and problems of promoting and expanding interregional trade between the African region and the developing regions in Asia and the Pacific, Latin America and the Caribbean and Western Asia, including Afro-Arab co-operation (third quarter, 1986).

Output was postponed to 1987 because of the freeze on recruitment. Moreover, part of the output which was to be undertaken by a consultant could not be completed because of delay in recruitment of a consultant.

(c) Postponed for reasons other than the financial crisis

- 1.2 (i) Technical publication: Three case studies on identification of alternative patterns of domestic trade structures and mechanisms for the establishment of more rational distribution channels and domestic financial markets in Eastern Africa, Southern Africa and Central Africa (first quarter, 1986).

The case studies planned to be undertaken in Ethiopia, Madagascar and Zaire were not implemented during this period because of delay in identifying suitable consultants from the respective countries. Consultants have now been identified and output will be implemented during 1987.

- 3.1 (v) Report to the Conference of African Ministers of Trade preparatory to the seventh session of UNCTAD (fourth quarter, 1986).

Although this report has been completed in 1986, it could not be delivered to the users because the Conference of African Ministers of Trade was programmed to take place in March 1987.

- 4.4 (i) Technical publication on export credit financing and insurance for Central Africa (second quarter, 1986).

46. This output was postponed because resources were utilized to implement output 4.4 (iii): Substantive servicing of a Meeting of Ministers of Finance to adopt the articles of agreement of the African Monetary Fund, which was advanced to 1986 from 1987. Advance implementation was necessary because preparation of the Articles of Agreement and their examination by the expert group were completed much earlier than envisaged.

(d) Terminated because of the financial crisis

- 1.1
(output) Advisory services to member States, on request, on the establishment of effective domestic trade mechanisms for balanced development between industrial and agricultural sectors and between urban and rural sectors of the economy (one mission 1986).

Output was terminated because of the reduction in travel funds arising from the financial crisis facing the Organization.

- 2.1 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on measures for supporting multilateral trade negotiations on reduction and elimination of tariff and non-tariff barriers within African intergovernmental groupings (one mission, 1986).

The mission could not be undertaken because of the reduction in travel funds.

- 4.1 (ii) Substantive servicing of two meetings of the Working Party of the African Governors of the IMF/World Bank (third quarter, 1986).

One output was terminated because of the reduction in travel funds to attend the annual meetings of the World Bank and IMF.

(e) Terminated for reasons other than the financial crisis

- 2.2 (iii) Reports to the Councils of Ministers of the Lusaka, Gisenyi, Yaounde, Niamey and Tangier MULPOCs on the implementation of the Lagos Plan of Action in the field of trade (first quarter, 1986).

One report relating to the Gisenyi MULPOC was planned to be implemented in co-ordination with a project by UNDP and ITC. However, since the project did not materialize, output has been terminated. No resources were released because the staff member earmarked for the output was sick during the period under review.

(f) Additional output added at the initiative of the secretariat

- 4.4(Additional output) Draft articles of agreement establishing an African Monetary Fund.

47. This output was prepared as an input to the meeting of Ministers of Finance, 4.4 (iii) already cited above in paragraph 46. The draft articles of agreement had not been programmed for the biennium 1986-1987. Therefore, since the Meeting of Ministers could not be convened without the draft articles of agreement, the secretariat decided to prepare the Draft Articles and submit them to the Meeting of Ministers.

NATURAL RESOURCES IN AFRICA

48. A total of 28 outputs^{1/} were programmed for implementation in 1986, of which 17 were implemented as programmed. Departures from programmed commitments included one output deferred because of the financial crisis, postponement of 2 and termination of 8 outputs.

49. Excluding one deferred output, the programme was able to attain an implementation rate of 63.0 per cent on programmed commitments.

Departures from programmed commitments

(a) Deferred outputs due to CRP.4 because of the financial crisis

- 2.3 (i) Advisory services to member States on request, on integrated river basin development and management (one mission, 1986).

Activity under Cartography and Remote Sensing: Data collection for the adjustment of geodetic network in Africa.

(b) Postponed for reasons other than the current financial crisis

- 1.3 (i) Substantive servicing of a regional symposium on small-scale gold mining (fourth quarter, 1986).

50. The output was to be implemented in 1986, but was postponed because responses from member States to the invitation to the meeting were too few to continue with the meeting as scheduled. The symposium has now been postponed to 1987.

- 3.1 (ii) Report to the Council of Ministers of the Multinational Programming and Operational Centres (MULPOCs) on the evaluation of the metric camera experiment as applied to mapping (1985).

51. This output, which was carried over from the 1984-1985 biennium, has been postponed to the 1988-1989 biennium because the available photographs were defective for carrying out the experiment. A re-flight was undertaken, but the results of the investigation are not likely to be available before the second quarter, of 1988.

^{1/} Maps and charts were also programmed, but these were for use of the secretariat, and have been excluded from the number of final outputs.

(c) Terminated for reasons other than the financial crisis

- 1.1 (ii) Substantive servicing of a meeting of the African Council for Mineral Resources Development (second quarter, 1986).

52. This output was terminated following the decision of the Conference of Ministers responsible for the mineral resources sector (1985) that there were other subregional and regional organizations which were performing similar functions.

- 3.5 (i) Report to the African Remote Sensing Council on the feasibility study on the establishment of model remote sensing units (1984).
- 3.5 (ii) Report to the ECA Conference of Ministers on the establishment of the African Remote Sensing Council (1984).
- 3.5 (iii) Establishment of five model national remote sensing units (two in 1984, three in 1985).

53. Outputs 3.5(i) and 3.5(iii) which were carried over from 1984-1985 depended on availability of extrabudgetary resources. Those resources have still not materialized. On account of the uncertainty of such resources, it has been decided to terminate the outputs. Output 3.5(iii) has been terminated as obsolete, following the decision of the Conference resolutions 477 (XVIII) and 550 (XX) to merge the African Remote Sensing Council (ARSC) and the African Association of Cartography (AAC).

(d) Additional outputs required by legislation

- 1.1 (i) Reports to the ninth meeting of the MULPOC Committee of Officials on the implementation of the work programme of the Lusaka-based MULPOC in mineral resources development (first quarter, 1986).
- 1.1 (ii) Report to the Council of Ministers of the Gisenyi-based MULPOC on Recommendations of the first and second Regional Conferences on the development and utilization of mineral resources in Africa. (Implementation and monitoring of the Lusaka Programme of Action for the development and utilization of mineral resources in Africa (first quarter 1986).
- 1.1 (iii) Report to the Council of Ministers of the Gisenyi-based MULPOC on Progress in the implementation of recommendations of the first and second regional conferences on the development and utilization of mineral resources in Africa (first quarter 1986).

- 1.1 (iv) Report to the Council of Ministers of the Yaounde-based MULPOC on Recommendations of the first and second Regional Conferences on the development and utilization of mineral resources in Africa. (Implementation and monitoring of the Lusaka Programme of Action for the development and utilization of mineral resources in Africa (first quarter 1986)).

54. The four outputs were implemented in response to the recommendations of the Second Regional Conference on the Development and Utilization of Mineral Resources in Africa, held in Lusaka, Zambia.

(e) Additional outputs added at the initiative of the secretariat

- (i) Substantive servicing of the First Extra-Ordinary Meeting of the Governing Board of the Eastern and Southern African Development Centre (fourth quarter, 1986).
- (ii) Technical support services to the seminar on remote sensing applied to mineral exploration (fourth quarter, 1986).

55. The two additional outputs were implemented at the initiative of the secretariat in response to requests from the Governing Councils of the Eastern and Southern African Development Centre and the Central African Mineral Resources Development Centre. Extrabudgetary resources were used to supplement regular budget resources for the implementation of the two additional outputs.

ENERGY AND DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA

56. Eleven outputs were programmed for implementation in 1986, and of those, 6 were implemented as programmed and 1 after reformulation. Other departures from programmed commitments included one output deferred because of the financial crisis and subsequently terminated. Two other outputs carried over from the 1984-1985 biennium were terminated during the year. The programme also implemented 5 additional outputs, three of which were required by legislation, and two were added at the initiative of the secretariat in response to requests for assistance.

57. Overall, the programme attained an implementation rate of 70.0 per cent on programmed commitments, after excluding the one output deferred because of the financial crisis.

Details of departures from programmed commitments

(a) Deferred because of the financial crisis

- 1.2 (iv) Technical publication: Energy resources atlas of Africa (fourth quarter, 1986).

58. This output has been subsequently terminated since the resources programmed for 1987 were not sufficient to implement it in addition to those already programmed for 1987.

(b) Terminated for reasons other than the financial crisis

- 1.3 (iv) Report to the meeting of government plenipotentiaries on the establishment of the African Energy Commission.
- 1.3 (v) Substantive servicing of the meeting of the government plenipotentiaries on the establishment of the African Energy Commission.

59. These two outputs were carried over from the biennium 1984-1985 and are now terminated because OAU with which ECA was to jointly implement the outputs. is now implementing them alone.

(c) Additional outputs required by legislation

- (i) Report to the Regional Consultative Meeting on the preparatory mission by the Joint UN Headquarters/ECA Team to some subregional organizations and selected African countries, from 8 August to 10 September 1986, October 1986;
- (ii) Report to the Regional Consultative Meeting on development of new and renewable sources of energy in Africa (fourth quarter, 1986);
- (iii) Substantive servicing of the Regional Consultative Meeting for the mobilization of financial resources for the development of new and renewable sources of energy in Africa (fourth quarter, 1986).

60. The three outputs were prepared in response to General Assembly resolution 41/170 on the Report of the Committee on the development and utilization of new and renewable sources of energy, para. 10, requesting for regional consultative meetings for the mobilization of additional financial resources for the implementation of the Nairobi Programme of Action. Five work-months were used for the implementation of the outputs, and these were obtained from extrabudgetary sources and partial relocation of resources programmed for output 1.1(a) - formulation of integrated energy policies and their integration into overall development and economic growth policies.

(d) Additional outputs added at the initiative of the secretariat

- (i) Report to the African Regional Centre on the work programme for the African Regional Centre for Solar Energy (second quarter, 1986);
- (ii) Report to the African Regional Centre on the analysis of candidates for the core posts of the African Regional Centre for Solar Energy (second quarter, 1986).

61. The two reports were prepared by the secretariat as inputs to the Council meeting which took place in Bujumbura, Burundi, from 11 to 13 June 1986.

POPULATION IN AFRICA

62. A total of 37 outputs were programmed for implementation during 1986, and of those, 15 were implemented as programmed and 9 after reformulation. Other departures from programmed commitments included 5 postponed and 8 terminated outputs. One of the outputs was terminated by this Conference (E/ECA/CM.12/36) because the resources which were requested for its implementation had not been provided.

63. The programme attained an implementation rate of 66.7 per cent on programmed commitments after excluding the one output for which resources were not provided.

Details of departures from programmed commitments

(a) Postponed for reasons other than the economic crisis

- 2.8 (ii) Substantive servicing of two training workshops on population (one workshop in 1986) (XB). The output was postponed to 1987 as decided by POPIN-Africa Advisory Meeting and approved by the ECA Conference of Ministers (E/ECA/CM.12/36).

- 1.1 (output) Advisory services, on request, on formulation and implementation of relevant population policies (one mission, 1986). It was decided to postpone the output because no requests for advisory services were received during 1986.

- 2.8 (c) Technical publication: Bibliographies on population: POPIN Africa Index ((one issue in 1986) (XB)).

Delivery of the output was delayed because of technical problems in data entry. The publication is currently being printed and expected to be published during the first half of 1987.

- 2.8 (d) Technical publication: Specialized annotated bibliographies (one issue in 1986) (XE).

The output has been postponed because of consultant's delay in preparing the draft. That draft has now been finalized and the publication is under printing and expected to be published during the first quarter of 1987.

- 3.1 (vi) Lecture missions to the East African Statistical Training Centre (one in 1986).

The output was reformulated to "lecture missions to national and regional population studies institutions (one in 1986) (E/ECA/CM.12/36) and subsequently postponed to 1987 due to lack of requests.

(b) Terminated because of the financial crisis

- 1.2 (a) Technical publication on relevant legislative instruments affecting the formulation and implementation of population policies in African countries (fourth quarter, 1986).

This output was terminated on recommendation of the Conference of Ministers (E/ECA/CM.12/36) since resources required for its implementation were not provided.

- 1.4 (ii) Substantive servicing of national seminars on the integration of population variables in development planning (one seminar in 1986).

This output was terminated by the programme manager because funds from extrabudgetary sources expected for its implementation to finance participation of member States did not materialize.

2.4 (ii) Technical publications: Bibliographies on population documentation (three issues, 1986).

64. The three publications, carried forward from the 1982-1983 biennium have been terminated because the resources provided for 1987 would not be adequate for the implementation of the programmed outputs in addition to those carried over from the 1982-1983 biennium.

2.8(i)(e) Technical publication: POPIN-Africa Bulletin (one issue in 1986).

The output has been terminated at the request of the POPIN-Africa Review Meeting and that decision was approved by the ECA Conference of Ministers (E/ECA/CM.12/36).

3.1 (ii) Assistance, on request, to the training and research activities of these two institutes (RIPS and IFORD) and the Sahel Institute (one mission to each institute in 1986) (XE).

Two missions, one to RIPS and one to Sahel did not take place for lack of requests from these institutes. The two outputs have consequently been terminated.

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE IN AFRICA

65. A total of six outputs were programmed for implementation in 1986, and all outputs were implemented as programmed, thus attaining an implementation rate of 100.0 per cent. In addition, one output programmed for 1987 was implemented in advance.

66. There were no other departures from programmed commitments, and no output was deferred on account of the financial crisis facing the Organization.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN AFRICA

67. Fourteen outputs were programmed for implementation during 1986, and of those, 8 were implemented as programmed and 1 after reformulation. Other departures from programmed commitments included postponement of 5 outputs, of which 4 were postponed because of the financial crisis.

68. The programme attained an implementation rate of 64.3 per cent on programmed commitments rising to 90.0 per cent after excluding outputs postponed because of the financial crisis.

Departures from programmed commitments

(a) Postponed because of the financial crisis

- 1.2 (i) Reports to the Intergovernmental Committee of Experts on Science and Technology for Development on the activities of its five working groups (two reports, third quarter, 1986).

Following the reduction in the number of intergovernmental meetings because of the financial crisis, the meeting of the Committee of Experts on Science and Technology had to be postponed. Although the reports have been prepared, they have been considered as postponed because they have not yet been delivered to the requesting organ.

- 1.2 (iii) Substantive servicing of two meetings of the Intergovernmental Committee of Experts on Science and Technology for Development (fourth quarter 1986).

The output was postponed because of the reduction in the number of intergovernmental meetings due to the financial crisis facing the Organization.

- 3.2 (a) Report to the Intergovernmental Committee of Experts on Science and Technology for Development on progress towards the establishment of an early warning system for the assessment of the impact of new technologies on Africa's development strategy (fourth quarter, 1986).

Since the meeting did not take place, as already explained, it was not possible to deliver the report which has already been prepared.

(b) Postponed for reasons other than the financial crisis

- 1.2 (ii) Substantive servicing of five meetings of the working groups of the Intergovernmental Committee of Experts on Science and Technology for Development (three meetings, second, third and fourth quarter, 1986)

One meeting was postponed because of the delay in getting clearance from the convenor country.

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA

69. This programme is managed by two organizational units, namely: Social Development, Environment and Human Settlements Division for subprogramme 1: Integrated rural development; and subprogramme 2: Youth and social welfare. Subprogramme 3: Integration of women in development is managed by the African Training and Research Centre for Women (ATRCW). The implementation of the programme is therefore reviewed under that division of responsibilities.

SUBPROGRAMMES 1. INTEGRATED RURAL DEVELOPMENT
2. YOUTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE

70. Fourteen outputs were programmed for implementation during 1986 and six were implemented as programmed. The following are the departures from programmed commitments:

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| (a) Deferred because of the financial crisis | 3 |
| (b) Postponed because of the reduction in consultancy and travel resources | 3 |
| (c) Postponed for reasons other than the financial crisis | 2 |

71. Excluding deferred outputs, the two subprogrammes attained an implementation rate of 54.5 per cent rising to 75.0 per cent after excluding outputs postponed because of the financial crisis.

Details of departures from programmed commitments

(a) Deferred because of the financial crisis

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| 1.2
(output) | Advisory services to member States, on request, on the promotion of an integrated approach to the development of rural areas; the identification, formulation, management and evaluation of rural development projects and the strengthening of rural institutions (one mission in 1986). |
| 2.1 (iv) | Technical publication on the social aspects and implications of international migration in Africa (third quarter, 1986). |

- 2.2(i)(b) Advisory services to member States, on request, on development-oriented social welfare policies and programmes, and implementation of the Vienna International Plan of Action on Aging and the World Programme of Action Concerning disabled persons (one mission, 1986).

(b) Postponed because of the reduction in consultancy and travel funds

- 1.2 (output) Advisory services to member States, on request, on the promotion of an integrated approach to the development of rural areas; the identification, formulation, management and evaluation of rural development projects and the strengthening of rural institutions (one mission in 1986).

- 2.1 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on the strengthening of social policies, planning and institutions (two missions in 1986).

(c) Postponed for reasons other than the financial crisis

- 1.1 (ii) Reports to the fifth meeting of the Conference of African Ministers of Social Affairs on: (a) regional expert consultation meeting on the impact of technology on rural development in Africa (fourth quarter, 1986); (b) rural development activities and inter-agency co-operation in the field of rural development in Africa (fourth quarter, 1986).

72. These outputs were erroneously programmed for delivery in the fourth quarter of 1986 instead of the first quarter of 1987.

(d) Terminated on account of the financial crisis

- 1.2 (output) Advisory services, to member States which has been reported as deferred, is being earmarked for termination because available resources are not adequate to implement that output as well as those programmed for 1987.

SUEPROGRAMME 3: INTEGRATION OF WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT

73. This subprogramme, which is managed by the African Training and Research Centre for Women (ATRCW) had a total of 24 outputs to implement during 1986. Of those outputs, 19 were implemented as programmed, and 1 was deferred because of the financial crisis. Other departures included 4 outputs which were postponed, one of which because of the freeze on recruitment and the reduction in travel and consultancy funds.

74. Excluding the one deferred output, the subprogramme attained an implementation rate of 82.6 per cent on programmed commitments rising to 86.4 per cent if the one output postponed because of the financial crisis is excluded.

Details of departures from programmed commitments

(a) Deferred because of the financial crisis

- 3.4 (iii) Technical publications on women and development in Africa (one in 1986).

(b) Postponed because of the reduction in funds for consultancies, travel and the freeze on recruitment

- 3.4 (ii) African Training and Research Centre for Women: Update (two issues in 1986).

One output, Update No: 9 has been postponed to 1987 because of the freeze on recruitment for the post of Research and Publications Officer.

(c) Postponed for reasons other than the financial crisis

- 3.2 (ii) Substantive servicing of a subregional seminar on measures to improve women's management skills (third quarter, 1986).

The output was postponed to first quarter, 1987 at the request of the donor since the output will be implemented with extra-budgetary resources.

- 3.3 (i) Advisory services to member States on the establishment and strengthening of national machineries (one mission, 1986).

The output was postponed at the request of a member State, and will be implemented as soon as a convenient time has been established.

- 3.5(ii)(b) Technical publication on: comparative study of national laws on the rights and status of women in Africa (first quarter, 1986) (XB).

This output has not been implemented because the anticipated extrabudgetary funds are not yet available.

STATISTICS IN AFRICA

75. Ninety-eight outputs were programmed for implementation during 1986, and of those, 54 were implemented as programmed, and 3 after reformulation. Other departures from programmed commitments included the following:

(a) Outputs deferred on account of the United Nations financial crisis	19
(b) Outputs postponed because of the freeze on recruitment	8
(c) Outputs postponed for other reasons	9
(d) Outputs terminated because of the freeze on recruitment	4
(e) Outputs terminated because of reduction in consultancy and travel funds	2

The programme also implemented 5 additional outputs, 2 of which were required by legislation and 3 at the initiative of the secretariat.

76. Excluding outputs deferred because of the crisis, the programme attained an implementation rate of 72.15 per cent on programmed commitments, rising to 87.69 per cent after excluding all outputs postponed or terminated because of the freeze on recruitment and the reduction of consultancy and travel funds.

Details of departures from programmed commitments

- (a) Deferred on account of the United Nations financial crisis

- 2.3 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on improving coverage, timeliness and methodology of international trade (one mission in 1986).

- 2.4 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on applying the international recommendations on industrial statistics and improving the coverage and timeliness of these data (three missions in 1986).
 - 2.5 (i) Computer print-outs on: (a) agricultural statistics (two in 1986); (b) transport and communications statistics (two in 1986); (c) tourism statistics (two in 1986).
 - 2.5 (ii) Technical publication for government statisticians and planners: review of transport and communication statistics (third quarter, 1986).
 - 3.1 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on demographic and social statistics (two missions in 1986).
 - 3.1 (iii) Technical publications for government statisticians and planners on a review of data availability on: indicators on women (first quarter 1986).
 - 3.3 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on the organization, planning and conduct of national population and housing censuses, processing and evaluation of census data, and development of civil registration systems and vital statistics collection (two missions in 1986).
 - 3.3 (iii) Reports to and substantive servicing of the intergovernmental working group on recommendations for the 1990 round of population and housing censuses in Africa (two reports and one meeting, third quarter 1986).
- (b) Postponed because of the freeze on recruitment
- 2.1(ii)(b) Report to the fifth meeting of the Joint Conference of African Planners, Statisticians and Demographers on a comparative analysis of trends in growth and importance of the public sector expenditure (fourth quarter 1986): This output was postponed to the first half of 1987 due to the vacancy situation in the General Economic Statistics Section (24 work-months out of 60 were not available in 1986).
 - 2.5 (iv) Sales publications: (a) African Statistical Yearbook (fourth quarter, 1986); (b) African Social and Economic Indicators (fourth quarter, 1986).

3.1 (iv) Reports to and substantive servicing of the intergovernmental working group on possible approaches to the integration of demographic, social and related economic statistics in development planning in Africa (three reports and one meeting, fourth quarter 1986). These outputs had to be postponed to 1987 due to lack of human and financial resources.

3.5(ii)(a) Technical publications for government statisticians, planners and policy-makers on adaptation of the United Nations framework of environment statistics to African countries, with particular reference to eco-systems (fourth quarter, 1986).

(c) Postponed for other reasons

2.1(i)(a) Computer print-outs on national accounts and finance statistics. The delivery of this output has been delayed because of unavailability of computer ribbons, and it is expected to be delivered during the first quarter of 1987.

2.3 (iii) Sales publication: Foreign trade statistics for Africa: Series A (Direction of total trade) and Series C (Summary tables). The manuscripts have already been completed and the publication is awaiting printing.

2.3 (iv) Sales publications (carried over from 1984-1985): Foreign Trade Statistics for Africa: Series A (Direction of total trade) and Series C (Summary tables). Manuscripts of Series A have been awaiting printing since August 1985 and September 1986 respectively, and those for series C since September 1985 and September 1986 respectively.

2.5(v)(a) Sales publication (carried over from the biennium 1984-1985) African Statistical Yearbook. The manuscripts of the publication have been awaiting printing since January 1986.

(d) Terminated because of the freeze on recruitment

2.1 (iii) Technical publications for and substantive servicing of a seminar on the system of national accounts review, for government statisticians and planners (three publications and one seminar, second quarter 1986). Because of the vacancy situation, the responsible Division had to seek the co-operation of the United Nations Statistical Office for the preparation of two

publications, namely: (a) "Production boundary issues"; and (b) "Reconciliation of the SNA with specialized statistics". The publications have been reported as terminated because they were prepared by another secretariat unit which will report their implementation.

- 3.5 (i) Computer print-outs on environment statistics (two in 1986). These outputs were terminated because of the freeze on recruitment.

(e) Terminated because of the reduction in travel and consultancy funds

- 2.2 (b) Advisory services to member States, on request, on improving basic economic statistics as a prerequisite for further development of national accounts. Two of the three missions programmed for 1986 had to be terminated because of the reduction in travel funds as a result of the United Nations financial crisis.

(f) Additional outputs required by legislation

- 3.4 (i) Advisory services to member States, on request, on preparation of survey programme documents for countries requiring technical and financial assistance in the context of the National Household Survey Capability Programme (one mission in 1987). The mission planned for 1987 was implemented in advance, and undertaken jointly with the Commonwealth Fund for Technical Co-operation, FAO, and the United Nations Statistical Office at the urgent request of the Government of Sierra Leone.

(g) Additional outputs added at the initiative of the secretariat

- 3.4 (iii) Reports to a working group on organization, content and methodology of household surveys. Two reports were prepared as inputs for the working group on organization, content and methodology of household surveys which was carried over from the biennium 1982-1983.

TRANSPORT, COMMUNICATIONS AND TOURISM IN AFRICA

77. A total of 49 outputs were programmed for implementation during 1986, and of those, 30 were implemented as programmed and 9 after reformulation. Other departures from programmed commitments included 5 outputs deferred on account of the United Nations financial crisis, and 5 postponed for reasons other than the crisis. Ten additional outputs were implemented, 7 of which were required by legislation and 3 at the initiative of the secretariat.

78. Excluding the 5 deferred outputs, the programme attained an implementation rate of 88.6 per cent.

Departures from programmed commitments

(a) Deferred on account of the financial crisis

- 1.8 (output) Technical publications on the criteria to be used for preparation of a transport master plan for Africa covering the various transport modes (fourth quarter 1986).
 - 2.4 (i) Advisory services to member States and intergovernmental organizations, on request, in the field of ports (two missions in 1986).
 - 3.1 (Out-put) Advisory services to member States and intergovernmental organizations on request, in the field of roads and road transport (two missions in 1986).
 - 3.5 (i) Report to a workshop on maintenance, repair and modernization of railway tracks in Africa (fourth quarter, 1986).
 - 3.5 (ii) Substantive servicing of a workshop on maintenance, repair and modernizations of railway tracks (fourth quarter, 1986).
- These five outputs were deferred to 1987 on the basis of the document A/C.5/40/CRP.4 on the financial crisis facing the Organization.

(b) Postponed for reasons other than the financial crisis

- 1.2 (i) Technical publication on the study on: Harmonization and Co-ordination of the Various Modes of Transport at Subregional Level (Central African subregion) (third quarter, 1986).
- The delivery of the output was postponed to 1987 due to difficulties in identifying an appropriately qualified consultant.

- 2.1 (output) Advisory services to member States and intergovernmental organizations, on request, in the field of shipping (one mission in 1986).

The output has been reformulated into a report to the Tangiers MULPOC Council of Plenipotentiaries on the same subject and postponed to 1987.

- 2.4 (i) Advisory services to member States and intergovernmental organizations, on request, in the field of ports (one mission in 1986).

The output has been postponed because of inadequate requests for advisory services.

- 2.8 (output) Advisory services to member States and intergovernmental organizations, on request, in the field of inland water transport (one mission in 1986).

The delivery of this output was postponed to the next semester because the secretariat received too late the request from the Government of Rwanda.

- 6.1 (i) Advisory services to member States and intergovernmental organizations, on request, in the field of telecommunications (one mission in 1986).

The output has been postponed because of inadequate requests for advisory services.

(c) Additional outputs required by legislation

79. The 7 additional outputs implemented consisted of 5 reports to the meetings of the Councils of Ministers of the five MULPOCs during the first half of 1986 on the second phase of the United Nations Transport and Communications Decade for Africa, one report to the fifth meeting of the Conference of African Ministers of Transport, Communications and Planning on the implementation of the second phase of the programme of the Decade and the substantive servicing of an intergovernmental meeting of experts on promotion of productivity in ports.

(d) Additional outputs added at the initiative of the secretariat

80. Three additional outputs were implemented at the initiative of the secretariat.

- 3.4
(output) Advisory services in railway transport, (one mission to Lome (Togo) from 15 September to 2 October 1986).

This output was delivered on the request of the "Reseau des chemins de fer du Togo" in order to help the management team of Togo railway in improving their management system. The delivery of this output was possible because of the resources from the French Government under the railway bilateral expert arrangement.

- 4.3
(output) Report to the second meeting of Air Transport Committee on "routes necessary for physical integration".

The above report was prepared for the second meeting of the Air Transport Committee for its meeting by ECA as the secretariat of the Committee.

- 5.1
(output) Advisory services to Ghana on tourism.

This output was delivered at the request of the Government of Ghana to participate in a meeting and present a document on intra-regional African tourism.