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WORK PROGRAMME ADVANCES FOR UNDP, UNIDO AND THE WORLD BANK FOR THE YEAR 2001

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE FUND SECRETARIAT

- 1. Project preparation advances have been approved annually by the Executive Committee since the 23rd Meeting for an amount equal to up to 20 per cent of the project preparation foreseen in the implementing agencies' draft business plans.
- 2. UNDP and UNIDO have submitted requests for partial funding of their 2001 work programmes, which will be considered in March 2001. The World Bank indicated that it would not seek an advance.
- 3. UNDP and UNIDO requested advances for a percentage of the project preparation included in their 2001 draft business plans. The requested amounts are provided in Table 1 along with the Secretariat's recommendation. The agencies have made this request with the understanding that the funds will be used for projects that would be consistent with the criteria for project preparation (Decision 23/51) as amended (Decision 30/23).

Table 1
WORK PROGRAMME ADVANCES FOR UNDP AND UNIDO FOR THE YEAR 2001

Agency	Activity/Project	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Agency Fees	Total Cost to the Multilateral Fund
		(US \$)	(US \$)	(US \$)	(US \$)
UNDP	Project Preparation Advance	200,000	200,000	26,000	226,000
UNIDO	Project Preparation Advance	139,500	139,500	18,135	157,635
Total		339,500	339,500	44,135	383,635

4. UNIDO's request amounts to 15 per cent, and that of UNDP amounts to 20 per cent of the total each of them included in its draft business plan for project preparation. The total project preparation in the two agencies' business plans include project preparation for projects to be submitted in the year 2001 and projects included in the agencies' contingency table.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The Fund Secretariat recommends approval of the project preparation advances with the understanding that all funds used will be in compliance with Decision 23/51, as amended in Decision 30/23, in the amounts as indicated in Table 1.