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I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

- Pursuant to the provisions of the High-level Meeting on ECDC held in Cairo in August 1986, the 1. rules of procedure adopted at its first meeting held in Caracas in August 1987, the provisions of the 12th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 held in New York in September 1988, the Seventh Meeting of the Intergovernmental Follow-up and Coordination Committee on ECDC (IFCC-VII) held in Kuala Lumpur in July-August 1989, the First Annual Meeting of the Group of 77, held in New York in September 1989, the Eighth Meeting of the Intergovernmental Follow-up and Coordination Committee on ECDC (IFCC-VIII), held in Panama City in August-September 1993, the 18th and 19th Annual Ministerial Meetings of the Group of 77, held in New York respectively in September 1994 and September 1995, the Ninth Meeting of the Intergovernmental Follow-up and Coordination Committee on ECDC (IFCC-IX), held in Manila on 9-12 February 1996, and the 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th and 30th Annual Ministerial Meetings of the Group of 77 held in New York respectively in September 1996, September 1997, September 1998, September 1999, September 2000, November 2001, September 2002, September 2003, September 2004, September 2005, and September 2006, the Committee of Experts of the Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund (PGTF) for ECDC/TCDC held its twenty-second meeting in New York from 31 July to 3 August 2007.
- 2. The meeting was attended by five of the six members of the Committee, representing the three regions of the Group of 77. Dr. Eduardo Praselj, chairman of the Committee for the biennium 2006-2007 chaired the meeting. The list of participants appears as annex I.
- 3. A representative of the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation of UNDP was invited to provide information on matters related to the PGTF. Two representatives of the Treasury Division of UNDP were also invited by the Committee to provide information on matters related to the yield of PGTF resources and the structure of the PGTF portfolio.
- 4. The Committee adopted the following substantive agenda:
 - 1. Review of the operations of the PGTF;
 - 2. Consideration of new project proposals;
 - 3. Assessment of the implementation of approved projects;
 - 4. Other matters.
- 5. The Committee had before it the following documents:
 - 1. Thirty-three (33) project proposals;
 - 2. Twenty-two (22) progress, terminal and financial reports;
 - 3. Note by UNDP on the composition and yield of the PGTF portfolio;
 - 4. Note by UNDP on the financial status of PGTF and the status of implementation of approved projects.
- 6. According to the information provided by UNDP, total available funds for supporting new project proposals in 2007 were slightly over US\$520,000, including projected interest earnings until 31 December 2007. However, in order to calculate the maximum support that could be given to any individual project, it should be borne in mind that these funds come from two sources: (a) regular resources coming from interest earnings, contributions by member countries, unspent balances of completed projects, and funds reverted from approved projects that were not implemented. These funds amount to US\$ 420,000 and, in line with guideline A(p) for utilization of PGTF, the maximum support

that could be given to any individual project would be one seventh of this total, i.e. US\$60,000; and (b) following signature in December 2006 of a two-year grant agreement with the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), IFAD will contribute US\$ 100,000 per annum to PGTF in 2007 and 2008. According to the conditions established in the agreement, the ceiling per project for IFAD's contribution would be US\$40,000.

II. REVIEW OF THE OPERATIONS OF PGTF

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

Highlights of twenty years of operation of PGTF (1986-2006)

- 8. In 1986, a High-level Meeting on ECDC held at Cairo defined the main features for launching operations of the PGTF, including definition of the objectives of the Fund and criteria for project eligibility, and operational arrangements for the submission, appraisal and approval of project proposals.
- 9. The trust fund was established with a core capital of US\$5 million and increased to US\$6 million in 2004 through a US\$1 million contribution by a member country. According to guideline F(f) for its utilization, only the interest accruing on the Fund could be used for project support so as to preserve intact the initial US\$5 million. Same criteria also apply to additional core resources.
- 10. From 1986 to 2006, 577 projects proposals were submitted to the PGTF and, in accordance with the guidelines for its utilization, the Fund has provided support to 167 projects with a total allocation of US\$9.5 million, i.e. a yearly average of 8.3 projects and US\$475,000 respectively.
- 11. In order to increase the multiplier effect of PGTF resources, guideline A(m) for utilization of PGTF establishes that project sponsors should secure contributions from other sources of an amount at least equal to the contribution requested from PGTF. Contributions from other sources for the 1986-2006 period amount to US\$ 20.0 million, i.e. US\$2.1 for each US\$ of PGTF resources.
- 12. A breakdown of the priority areas that have received support from PGTF is as follows:

<u>Area</u>	Number of projects	Share of allocated resources (%)
Food and agriculture	49	30
Consulting services, training and other TCDC		
activities	47	23
Trade	19	17
Technology	15	9
Information exchange and dissemination	13	8
Industrialization	7	5
Other (energy, raw materials, health and finance)	<u>17</u>	_8
TOTAL	167	100

13. PGTF financial support has had a wide country coverage, as indicated in the breakdown below:

Country coverage	Number of projects	Share of allocated resources (%)
Interregional projects	56	42
Sub regional projects	85	41
Regional projects	24	16
Action Committees.	_2	<u> </u>
TOTAL	167	100

14. According to the status of implementation of approved projects as of 31 July 2007, PGTF support has been distributed as follows:

Status of implementation	Number of projects	Share of allocated resources (%)
Completed	107	72
Under implementation	36	16
Under preparation, still to be implemented	6	2
Not implemented, allocated funds reverted to PGTF	<u>18</u>	<u>10</u>
TOTAL	167	100

Yield of PGTF resources

- 15. The Committee examined at its twenty-second meeting the status of the PGTF portfolio and yield of PGTF resources, in line with the recommendations contained in paragraphs 20-23 of the report of the Committee at its ninth meeting in 1994.
- 16. Total PGTF resources are constituted by the core capital (US\$ 6 million) and unexpended resources. Pursuant to guideline F(f) for utilization of PGTF, the core capital should be preserved intact and only interest accrued and other earnings (i.e. additional contributions, reversion of allocated resources) could be used for supporting new projects. Between 1987 and 2006, total resources have been in the range of US\$ 6.2 to 7.4 million.
- 17. PGTF resources are invested by the UNDP in accordance with its financial rules and regulations, and the investment policy is discussed and agreed upon with the PGTF Committee of Experts. Accordingly, the portfolio is fully invested with total holdings on a par value basis of US\$6,642,088. It consists of three time deposits totaling US\$3,000,000 (45 percent of total funds) and six bonds totaling US\$3,440,000 (52 percent), while a small portion of the portfolio (US\$202,088) is kept as liquidity in a money market fund (3 percent). Bonds maturities have a ladder structure: maturities of four of them are staggered from 2007 to 2011 (US\$2,500,000 i.e. 38 percent of total resources) and for two bonds totaling US\$940,000 (14 percent), maturities exceed five years (2013 and 2014). The total marked to market value of the portfolio as of 24 July 2007 was US\$6,638,571.
- 18. Expected nominal yield of PGTF portfolio for 2007 is 5.04 percent per annum, but after adjusting for the purchase price of the securities, the effective yield is 4.67 percent. This figure is higher than in previous years (4.20 percent in 2006, 3.62 percent in 2005, 3.30 percent in 2004, and 2.91 percent in 2003) and reflects the increase of interest rates as well as the investment strategy adopted for PGTF resources.
- 19. From January to July 2007, total disbursements made by UNDP to beneficiaries of PGTF-funded projects totaled US\$74,750. This amount was paid by PGTF as inter-fund settlement to UNDP.
- 20. PGTF portfolio as of 24 July 2007 was constituted by the following financial instruments:

Security	Face value (US\$)	Maturity date	Coupon rate (%)	Buy price (% of face value)	Coupon payment (US\$)	Effective Rate (%)	Effective 2006 income (US\$)
	Bonds and	deposits mature	d between	1 January ar	nd 24 July 20	07	
Deposit	1,000,000	11-Jan-2007	5.340	100.000	1,483	5.340	1,483
Deposit	800,000	23-Jan-2007	4.775	100.000	2,334	4.775	2,334
Bond	1,000,000	30-May-2007	5.125	107.108	21,212	3.556	14,718
Deposit	1,000,000	11-July-2007	5.380	100.000	25,854	5.380	25,854
	Bonds	and deposits in	PGTF port	folio as of 24	July 2007		
Deposit	1,000,000	3-Dec-2007	5.380	100.000	27,946	5.380	27,946
Deposit	1,000,000	24-Jan-2008	5.350	100.000	50,825	5.350	50,825
Deposit	1,000,000	14-April-2008	5.370	100.000	25,806	5.370	25,806
Bond	500,000	1-Oct-2008	5.500	104.611	27,500	4.157	20,785
Bond	1,000,000	5-Oct-2009	3.625	97.755	36,250	4.135	41,346
Bond	500,000	15-Jan-2010	4.200	99.814	21,000	4.238	21,190
Bond	500,000	22-Feb-2011	6.000	108.780	30,000	4.449	22,245
Bond	440,000	16-Sept-2013	4.500	99.263	19,800	4.574	20,125
Bond	500,000	27-May-2014	6.640	119.685	33,200	4.717	23,587
Reinvestment of deposit maturing on 3-Dec-2007			5.450	100.000	1,817		1,817
Money market		up to 30-Jun-2007	_		4,677		4,677
Money market	202,088	31-Dec-2006	5.190	-	5,287	5.190	5,287
Total	6,642,088		5.04		334,991	4.67	310,026

- 21. Several securities matured in the first half of 2007 and the proceeds were reinvested in short-term instruments with maturities ranging from 4 months to one year earning an average yield of 5.36 percent. Since mid-2006, the yield curve for the United States treasuries has inverted further in the 6 months to 3 years maturity range (i.e. shorter term treasuries have higher yields than longer term ones), while the longer maturities (more than 3 years) turned slightly higher. While no adjustment in interest rates by the United States Federal Reserve is expected in the next six months, the current market outlook is clouded by extreme short-term volatility due to sub-prime mortgage woes.
- 22. Three (3) deposits in the amount of US\$ 3,000,000 will mature between December 2007 and April 2008. In the light of the above, the investment strategy for the next 12 months would be as follows: (a) if the yield curve flattens the maturing proceeds would be reinvested in bonds with a 2-3 years maturity, issued by financial corporations having an "A" credit rating; (b) if the yield curve maintains its current inverted shape, maturing proceeds would be reinvested in short-term deposits, with maturities to be chosen in the most attractive part of the yield curve.
- 23. This investment strategy represents the best option under the circumstances, but for 2007 translates into interest earnings of only US\$ 310,026. In addition, available resources have been increased by US\$ 206,276 coming from contributions by member countries (US\$ 52,131) and IFAD (US\$ 100,000), plus non-recurrent items such as funds reverted and other adjustments (US\$ 54,145). In summary, total availability for 2007 is slightly over US\$ 520,000, as s result of the combination of the investment strategy and the resource-mobilization effort, and is significantly higher than in the four previous years. However, this amount is modest compared to the levels that prevailed in the 1990s, especially in real terms, and calls for actions aimed at expanding the resources of PGTF if the Fund is to remain responsive to support the growing needs for South-South cooperation. A breakdown of the availability of funds since 1990 is as follows:

Year	Available resources (US\$)	
1990	1,218,000	
1991	644,000	
1992	900,000	
1993	600,000	
1994	300,000	
1995	880,000	
1996	800,000	
1997	843,000	
1998	1,294,000	
1999	462,000	

Year	Available resources (US\$)
2000	408,000
2001	796,000
2002	510,000
2003	246,000
2004	325,000
2005	348,000
2006	354,000
2007	520,000

Expansion of PGTF resources

24. The Committee reexamined practical ways of implementing its recommendations regarding the expansion of the PGTF resources as approved by the 20th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 in 1996. As identified in 1996, options available for expanding PGTF resources fall within one of the following three categories: (a) increase of the resources of PGTF; (b) increase of the yield of the PGTF portfolio; and (c) increase of the multiplier effect of PGTF resources.

(a) Increase of the resources of PGTF

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

Contributions by member countries of the Group of 77

- 26. On the basis of the experience gained from 1996 to 2004 and taking into account the recommendations contained in the Havana Programme of Action adopted by the First South Summit in 2000, the Committee reiterated its recommendation to focus initially on seeking contributions from member countries, as a way of building evidence of commitment and support that would represent a powerful argument when approaching donors, both countries and institutions.
- 27. The Committee welcomed eight (8) new contributions made since the last meeting of the Committee by six (6) developing countries. These contributions totaled US\$ 52,313, as follows:

Algeria (a fifth contribution of US\$ 10,000);

Islamic Republic of Iran (a fourth contribution of US\$ 10,000);

Philippines (a second contribution of US\$1,500);

South Africa (a fourth contribution of US\$ 8,016 and a fifth contribution of US\$ 6,667);

Trinidad and Tobago (a first contribution of US\$ 4,130 and a second contribution of US\$ 2,000); and

Venezuela (a seventh contribution of US\$10,000)

28. The Committee also noted the forty-eight (48) contributions already made by twenty-two (22) developing countries up to 1 August 2006, namely:

1997: Mauritius (US\$500);

<u> 1998</u> :	Pakistan	(US\$1,	(000),	and Singapore	(US\$2,000);
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1999: Islamic Republic of Iran (US\$3,000), Democratic People's Republic of Korea (US\$2,000), Cyprus (US\$2,000), Thailand (US\$2,000), Malaysia (US\$2,000), Algeria (US\$2,000), India (US\$2,000), and Philippines (US\$1,500);

2000: China (US\$2,000), Democratic People's Republic of Korea (a second contribution of US\$2,000), and Peru (US\$2,000);

2001: Egypt (US\$2,000), Democratic People's Republic of Korea (a third contribution of US\$2,000), South Africa (US\$3,000), and Singapore (a second contribution of US\$2,000);

2002: United Republic of Tanzania (US\$5,000), Cyprus (a second contribution of US\$3,000), Democratic People's Republic of Korea (a fourth contribution of US\$2,000), Thailand (a second contribution of US\$2,290), and Egypt (a second contribution of US\$2,000);

2003: Indonesia (US\$2,000), Kuwait (US\$3,000), Cyprus (a third contribution of US\$2,775), South Africa (a second contribution of US\$6,765), and Democratic People's Republic of Korea (a fifth contribution of US\$2,000);

2004: Qatar (US\$10,000), Thailand (a third contribution of US\$2,000), Brazil (US\$2,000), Algeria (a second contribution of US\$10,000), Venezuela (one US\$1 million contribution to the core capital of PGTF and four contributions of US\$5,000 each), and Democratic People's Republic of Korea (a sixth contribution of US\$2,000);

2005: Algeria (a third and a fourth contribution of US\$10,000 each), Namibia (US\$1,000), Islamic Republic of Iran (a second and a third contribution of US\$10,000 each), South Africa (a third contribution of US\$8,188), Venezuela (a sixth contribution of US\$5,000), and Democratic People's Republic of Korea (a seventh contribution of US\$2,000);

Singapore (a third contribution of US\$2,000), and Brazil (a second contribution of US\$20,000).

29. In summary, up to 31 July 2007, PGTF has received fifty-six (56) contributions from twenty-three (23) developing countries. The total amount of contributions received is US\$1,242,331, which includes the first contribution (US\$ 1 million) to its core capital made by Venezuela. A breakdown of the contributions by size is as follows:

	Number of countries	Number of contributions	Contributions (US\$)
Smaller contributions			
(up to US\$ 5,000)	22	41	102,695
Larger contributions			
(more than US\$ 5,000)	6	14	139,636
Contributions to PGTF core capital	_1	<u>1</u>	1,000,000
TOTAL	23(*)	56	1,242,331

^(*) Some countries have made both smaller and larger contributions

30. The Committee also noted with satisfaction that twelve developing countries, namely Venezuela and Democratic People's Republic of Korea (seven separate contributions each); Algeria and South Africa (five contributions each), Islamic Republic of Iran (four contributions), Cyprus, Singapore, and

Thailand (three contributions each); Brazil, Egypt, Philippines, and Trinidad and Tobago (two contributions each) have made multiple contributions to PGTF and invited other countries to follow this encouraging initiative.

- 31. As indicated in paragraphs 15-20 of the report of the special meeting held in June 2003, the Committee recommended two mutually supportive approaches to enlist contributions from member countries of the Group of 77, namely (i) to continue requesting small contributions (i.e., a notional amount of US\$2,000) from all member countries as a sign of the commitment of the largest possible number; and (ii) to request larger contributions from member countries in a position to contribute more.
- 32. The effort for enlisting larger contributions was launched in mid-2003, and member countries were invited by the Chairman of the Group of 77 to announce contributions on the occasion of the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities that was held in New York in November 2003. During the 2003 Conference, three member countries pledged contributions to PGTF.
- 33. Following this first encouraging experience, the Group of 77 sought a permanent arrangement that is now in effect, since PGTF has been included in the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities, in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 58/220 of 23 December 2003. The results of the subsequent Pledging Conferences have been as follows:

Year	Number of pledges	Amount pledged (US\$)
2004	3	16,000
2005	4	18,000
2006	3	28,016
Cumulative	10	62,016

34. The Doha Plan of Action, adopted by the Second South Summit, held in Doha from 12 to 16 June 2005 welcomed the progress made so far by PGTF in support of South-South cooperation and called upon member countries, as well as the United Nations system to support the expansion of PGTF resources through regular contributions at the annual Pledging Conference.

Contributions by international institutions

- 35. Consultations have been held with a number of international institutions with a view to exploring their interest in either making contributions to PGTF resources or co-financing projects with PGTF. The experience so far indicates that a practical and flexible approach should be adopted in order to find common grounds for undertaking joint activities from the point of view of both areas of interest or priority and working procedures.
- 36. In late 2004, the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) expressed its interest in collaborating with the Group of 77 through joint activities with the PGTF, and detailed discussions were launched in mid-2005 in order to identify the most suitable working modalities. In early 2006, IFAD informed the Group of 77 that it had decided to make an allocation of US\$ 200,000 to PGTF activities and that a formal agreement would be prepared to this end. The agreement was finalized and signed in November and December 2006, providing for a contribution of US\$ 200,000 over a two (2) year period, to be disbursed in two installments of US\$100,000 each. 95 percent of these resources would be utilized to support projects on the basis of a mutually agreed Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWPB), while the remaining 5 percent would cover PGTF and UNDP overheads.

- 37. The Committee wished to commend IFAD's contribution as well as the support provided by IFAD to South-South cooperation activities carried out jointly with PGTF. The Committee considers that the present IFAD-PGTF Grant Agreement represents an excellent pilot experience and will ensure that it becomes a successful undertaking that could be expanded and extended, and replicated with other international institutions.
- 38. The Committee welcomed the approval by IFAD of the AWPB for 2007, which will provide support to three (3) project proposals, selected among the proposals submitted for consideration of the Committee of Experts at its present meeting.

Impact of contributions to PGTF resources

- 39. In the light of the sizeable reduction in interest rates in recent years, contributions have become critical in supplementing interest earnings and thus partially preserving the responsiveness of PGTF to the growing needs for supporting South-South cooperation. As indicated in the table below, in 2004, 2005 and 2006 contributions respectively increased by 25, 46 and 44 percent the availability of resources provided by interest earnings of the initial core capital, and up to 31 July 2007 they have increased it by 61 percent. It should be noted that more contributions might be forthcoming during the rest of the year since PGTF has received eight pledges still to be paid from eight member countries for a total of US\$ 62,000.
- 40. Impact of contributions made to PGTF on the availability of resources in the last five years has been as follows:

Impact of new contributions	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
Total number of new contributions by member countries	5	5	10	8	7	3(*)
Member countries contributions (US\$) Contribution by IFAD (US\$) Interest from US\$ 1 million	14,300	16,600	46,000	56,200	55,700	18,700 100,000
contribution to core capital (US\$)			2,500	39,000	43,000	43,000
SUB-TOTAL (US\$)	14,300	16,600	48,500	95,200	98,700	161,700
Interest earnings from initial core capital of US\$ 5 million (US\$)	212,000	176,000	192,500	208,700	227,000	267,000
TOTAL (US\$)	216,300	192,600	241,000	303,900	325,700	428,700
New contributions as percentage of interest earnings of initial core capital (%)	7	9	25	46	44	61

^(*) January-July 2007

(b) Increase of the yield of the PGTF portfolio

41. Bearing in mind that preservation of the PGTF core resources should be the paramount consideration when exploring investment options, investment strategies have aimed at taking the best advantage of prevailing market conditions at any given moment. In 2003, following a request by the

Committee of Experts, the UNDP Investment Committee approved that up to 20 percent of the PGTF portfolio could be invested in securities issued by supranational and government agencies with up to ten year maturities so as to increase returns. This led to the purchase of longer-term securities (maturing in 2013 and 2014), which represented by late-July 2006 14 percent of PGTF portfolio. On the contrary, in 2007 only short-term securities should be envisaged as investment options due to the fact that short-term interest rates are higher than longer term ones.

- 42. In addition, new UNDP rules and regulations allow investing in high-quality corporate securities, which could have higher yields than instruments traditionally utilized. This option is still to be fully explored and implemented.
- (c) <u>Increase of the multiplier effect of PGTF resources through co-financing with other institutions</u>
- 43. The Committee recommended that consultations and discussions currently underway with institutions interested in co-financing projects with the PGTF be continued. In addition to the case-by-case approach that stems from guideline A(m) for utilization of PGTF, which requires that all proposals submitted to PGTF should include inputs from other sources of an amount at least equal to the resources requested from PGTF, efforts have been made to achieve more structured agreements with some institutions, aimed at providing continuity to co-financing activities.
- 44. The Committee would like to highlight its encouraging experience in co-financing projects with UNIDO. A first pilot project has already been completed (cf. INT/04/06 in Annex II) and a second one is being submitted for consideration by the Committee at the present meeting.

Operating arrangements

- 45. The Committee examined the operating arrangements of PGTF and agreed to focus on dissemination of information on PGTF. To this end, the Committee recommended to develop and implement a proactive dissemination plan regarding PGTF activities and potential, aimed at both facilitating the access, exchange and sharing of information regarding the outcomes of PGTF-funded projects, as well as facilitating the preparation of proposals to be submitted to PGTF.
- 46. In this regard, the Committee recommended to carry out the following actions:
 - a) To translate into the working languages of the Group of 77 a number of key documents related to PGTF activities, such as titles and summary descriptions of PGTF-funded projects that had been completed:
 - b) To prepare a brochure on PGTF activities in all the working languages of the Group, in the context of the twentieth anniversary of PGTF;
 - c) In addition to direct distribution to interested audiences, to post these documents on the web page of the Group of 77.
- 47. The Committee was informed by the Office of the Chairman that following its authorization to fund expenses related to the preservation of PGTF files from project INT/00/K08, the totality of paper-based files stored in the premises of the Office of the Chairman had been digitalized, effort that entailed scanning of some 25,000 pages of documents. The next step would be to make these files easily accessible through utilization of character recognition techniques.
- 48. Digitalization of files enables posting of the final reports of completed projects on the web page of the Group of 77. This process has already started and the most recent final reports, which have already been prepared in a digital form, are being posted on the web page with indication of contact persons of the

implementing institutions to facilitate direct sharing of experiences by interested parties. Posting of older final reports will be done during the next few months.

Survey of the impact of PGTF

49. On the basis of the recommendation of the Committee at its twelfth meeting in 1997, a survey on the impact and benefits of the projects funded by PGTF was initiated in 1998, with a view to supporting the promotion of the Fund. To date the Office of the Chairman has received information on 71 of the 107 PGTF-supported projects that have been completed. A summary of the results of the survey is presented in Annex III of this report.

III. CONSIDERATION OF NEW PROJECT PROPOSALS

- 50. The Committee had before it thirty-three (33) project proposals submitted before the established deadline of 30 April 2007 to avail of the financing of PGTF. The list of these proposals is as follows:
 - (1) Cliq master computer skills master programme proposal (Zimbabwe)
 - (2) Lupane coal bed master development (Zimbabwe)
 - (3) Upstream technology for downstream application: Productive, snut and stunt resistant Napier grass for improved food security of smallholder dairy farmers in East and Central Africa
 - (4) Training on the development and application of natural high-priced substances in developing countries
 - (5) Periodic Fora on Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) for Development 2008-2009
 - (6) Training programme for devising national small and medium enterprises (SME) programmes for member countries of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC)
 - (7) Sustainable rainwater harvesting and ground water recharge in developing countries Human resource development and technology transfer
 - (8) Network of universities and research centers of the South
 - (9) Regional observatory of the Fouta-Djallon Highlands' natural resources
 - (10) Strengthening family planning and reproductive health services in Pakistan
 - (11) Promotion of aquaculture in Uganda
 - (12) Capacity building in plant genomics for Latin America
 - (13) Harmonization of norms and procedures for value-added timber products in South America
 - (14) Strengthening of capacities of private sector agencies and NGOs in selected African countries through regional networking and ECDC/TCDC supporting Women and Youth Entrepreneurship (WED/YED)
 - (15) Increased sugar production through microbial inhibition of Leuconostoc sp. and other bacteria (Phase II)
 - (16) Interactive CD-ROMs on Climate Change for public education among Caribbean audiences
 - (17) Cultivation and popularization of Phyla to govern red soil erosion and abandoned mines in Southern China and Southeast Asian countries
 - (18) International cooperation of higher education popularization and reformation study for developing countries

- (19) Training of agriculture administrators, technicians and farmers on sustainable development in the mountainous upland areas of the Greater Mekong subregion
- (20) Community-based sustainable alternative livelihood development for lake protection
- (21) Fee-for-service Pico hydro: model for providing power to remote, low-income households
- (22) South-South information flows: Mapping media connections and strategic capacity-building interventions with journalists
- (23) Comprehensive law and policy within the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Strengthening the technical capacity of the region's judiciary
- (24) Water and sewerage treatment system for the city of Monrovia (Liberia)
- (25) Rural enterprise development programme
- (26) Sub-regional Cooperation for the Promotion of Youth Anti-corruption and Integrity Education
- (27) Developing strategic international partnerships in the field of science and technology
- (28) Exchange of experiences on community forestry management in Western Amazon
- (29) International environmentally sound technologies network of Portuguese-speaking countries in Africa and South America
- (30) Regional project for integrated management of Red Palm Weevil
- (31) Development of Efficacy of Biological Control for Cotton Insets in Syria, Egypt and Sudan
- (32) Training the staff of the General Commission of Communications System in the area of coding
- (33) National Commercial Aquaculture Development Framework
- 51. The following five (5) proposals were received after the established deadline of 30 April 2007 and were not considered by the Committee at this meeting:
 - (1) Investigating the antimicrobial activities and development of pesticides from honey bee propolis
 - (2) Monitoring of chlorinated hydrocarbon pesticides in Kherbet Assamra region in Jordan
 - (3) Biological decontamination of mycotoxin-contaminated feeds, eggs, and poultry meat
 - (4) Biomass accumulation and nutrient dynamics of saltbushes in low-rainfall areas of Jordan
 - (5) Research capacity building in higher education institutions in Southern Africa
- 52. The Office of the Chairman should request the submitting entities to resubmit these late proposals not later than 30 April 2008, in their original form or updated as appropriate, for consideration at the next meeting of the Committee.

Project proposal No. 1 - Cliq master computer skills master programme proposal (Zimbabwe)

- 53. BEK Computech, a company based in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Zimbabwe to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Botswana, China, Mozambique, Uganda and the United Republic of Tanzania.
- 54. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project (Cliq Mouse Project) is to install a large number of state-of-the-art computers in both public and private schools, urban and rural

educational institutions in the northern and southern region of Africa. Computers would be sourced from China.

- 55. Total cost of the project, to be carried out over a three (3) year period, is estimated at US\$60,000, and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$40,000. No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation.
- 56. The Committee noted that this proposal was submitted in 2006 after the 30 April deadline, but it was not resubmitted by the sponsors for the 2007 project cycle, as required by the recommendation contained in paragraph 46 of the report of the Twentieth Meeting of the Committee, held in 2005.
- 57. In addition, the Committee considered that it was not possible to ascertain the cooperative element of the project, as required by guideline A(f) for utilization of PGTF, since the supporting documentation contains only one written endorsement from a potential beneficiary country (i.e. United Republic of Tanzania). In addition, the proposal does not comply with guideline A(m), which establishes that inputs from other sources should be of an amount at least equal to the resources requested from PGTF.
- 58. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No.2 - *Lupane coal bed master development* (Zimbabwe)

- 59. The Government of Zimbabwe submitted the proposal through its Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The project would be implemented by the Lupane Bed Methane Gas Development Company, an investment vehicle with government and private stakeholders. Other participating countries would be South Africa and Zambia.
- 60. Zimbabwe has resources of coal bed methane, which have been explored for the past 15 years with a view to their commercial development. The coal bed methane would be used as fuel for power generation and as raw material for manufacturing of chemicals, mainly fertilizers.
- 61. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to facilitate the implementation of feasibility work aimed at moving from proven gas resources to an exploitable gas reserve. In this regard, the projects aims at compiling and preparing technical information to be presented to prospective financiers regarding the establishment of a mini gas field, which would serve to monitor the performance of sunk holes over a period of 9 to 12 months.
- 62. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in nine (9) months, is estimated at US\$100,000, and the contribution sought from PGTF amounts to US\$40,000. No breakdown of costs or detailed budgets was provided in the supporting documentation.
- 63. The Committee noted that this proposal was submitted in 2006 after the 30 April deadline, and was resubmitted by the sponsors on 18 May 2007, as required by the recommendation contained in paragraph 46 of the report of the Twentieth Meeting of the Committee, held in 2005.
- 64. On the basis of the documentation provided, both the objectives and activities indicate that this is a national project that is not eligible for financing from PGTF resources. Even though there is a reference to two other countries, namely South Africa and Zambia as potential beneficiaries, the Committee considered that it was not possible to ascertain the participation of these countries and hence establish the cooperative element of the project. In this regard, the supporting documentation contains no written

endorsements from these countries as potential beneficiaries of the project, as required by guideline A(f) for utilization of PGTF resources.

65. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

<u>Project proposal No.3 - Upstream technology for downstream application: Productive, snut and stunt resistant Napier grass for improved food security of smallholder dairy farmers in East and Central Africa</u>

- 66. The Government of Kenya submitted the proposal. Other participating countries would be Uganda and the United Republic of Tanzania.
- 67. Smallholder dairy farmers produce more than 80 percent of the marketed milk in East Africa. Most of these smallholder dairy farms practice a cut-and-carry system in which high yield fodder crop is fed to animals in confinement. In the Central Highlands of Kenya, Napier grass has been shown to supply between 40 and 80 percent of the forage for such smallholder dairy farms. Napier headsmut has spread in the dairy areas of Central Kenya and is spreading into other parts of the country. Napier stunting, which drastically reduces Napier biomass yields, has also been reported in Uganda, Tanzania and Ethiopia and represents a major threat to the smallholder dairy sector.
- 68. According to the text of proposal, the aim of the project is to contribute to solve the problem of Napier grass diseases through a multiple pronged approach that includes (a) screening of Napier varieties resistant to headsmut disease and distribution of clean planting material to smallholder farmers in the affected areas, and (b) developing of artificial inoculation methodologies to screen Napier varieties resistant to stunting disease, evaluation of resistant varieties and establishment of sites for production of clean Napier glass planting material.
- 69. Total cost of the project, to be carried out over a three (3) year period, is estimated at US\$100,000 and the contribution sought from PGTF amounts to US\$40,000. No breakdown of the total cost was supplied in the supporting documentation.
- 70. The Committee considered that even though combating the spreading of such diseases might lead to preparation of cooperative projects among a number of developing countries, the scope and activities of the proposal, as presented, correspond to a national project that is not eligible for funding according to the provisions of guideline A(f) for utilization of PGTF resources. Two other countries have been identified in the proposal, but there is no written indication of their interest of and participation in the activities of the project, as required by the abovementioned guideline.
- 71. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

$\underline{Project\ proposal\ No.\ 4-} \ \textit{Training\ on\ the\ development\ and\ application\ of\ natural\ high-priced\ substances}$ in developing countries

- 72. The National Coordinating Committee for UNDP of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea submitted this proposal. Other participating countries would be Cambodia, Lao People's Democratic Republic and Viet Nam.
- 73. According to the text of the proposal, the main objective of the project is to raise the level of development and application techniques of biological resources abundant in developing countries, and

train technical talents in this field in order to make a real contribution to the development of national economies and people's livelihood in participating countries. The project will enable them to establish systems and techniques for the development and application of high-priced natural substances from their inherent biological resources, such as *Tetrodotoxin* from globefish, *Ancistrodon blomhoffi* from snakes and the aquatic grass *Zizania latifolia*. These resources could be applied to agriculture, stock-breeding, light industries and medical science. Experts from participating countries will be trained in techniques of effective investigation and propagation of valuable biological resources, production of high-priced substances at commercial scale and their effective utilization.

- 74. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in twelve (12) months, is estimated at US\$82,000 and the contribution sought from PGTF amounts to US\$40,000. No breakdown of the total cost was provided in the supporting documentation.
- 75. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 36,000 be allocated to this end. This contribution should be disbursed in two tranches, disbursement of the second tranche being subject to the timely presentation of the relevant progress and financial reports.

<u>Project proposal No. 5 - Periodic Fora on Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) for Development</u> 2008-2009

- 76. The Academy of Sciences for the Developing World (TWAS), based in Trieste, Italy submitted directly the proposal.
- 77. According to the text of the proposal, the proposed project is part of the COSTIS Work Plan for 2008/2009. In particular, it aims at promoting collaboration between groups of scientists, national research councils, academies of science and technology-based private sector institutions on problem-solving research, strengthening science and technology advice to the highest levels of national governments of developing countries in order to ensure the inclusion of science and technology know-how in sustainable development policies and strategies.
- 78. Total cost of the project, to be carried out over a two (2) year period, is estimated at US\$ 106,000. The contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 40,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)				
Item	PGTF	Other	Total		
Personnel	28,000	(*)	(*)		
Travel	7,000	(*)	(*)		
Sub-contract	1,500	(*)	(*)		
Equipment	2,500	(*)	(*)		
Documentation	1,000	(*)	(*)		
Total	40,000	98,000	138,000		

^(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

79. The Committee considered that this proposal represents a most important initiative of the South in an area particularly critical for development such as science, technology and innovation. However, in

order to be eligible for financing from PGTF a proposal submitted by institutions such as TWAS and COSTIS should have obtained the prior approval of its governing body, as required by guideline A(k) for utilization of PGTF, or include written endorsements from a minimum of three participating developing countries, as required by guidelines A(f) and A(g). The Committee was informed that the Task Force meeting for COSTIS will take place in September 2007 and the general council of TWAS will meet in late November 2007 to consider and endorse this initiative.

- 80. The Committee concluded that the proposal could not be supported at this time but, given the importance of the subject, invited the submitting entities to resubmit the proposal at the next meeting of the Committee, after obtaining approval of their governing bodies.
- 81. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

<u>Project proposal No. 6 - Training programme for devising national small and medium enterprises</u> (SME) programmes for member countries of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC)

- 82. The Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI), based in Karachi, Pakistan, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC) to the United Nations. Collective participants would be the national chamber of the fifty-seven (57) OIC member countries. The proposal was endorsed through resolutions of the 27th session of the Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers (Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, July 2000) and the 9th session of the Islamic Summit Conference (Doha, Qatar, November 2000)
- 83. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to provide training to OIC member countries on devising national SME development programmes, with a view to upgrading SME technical capacities and acquiring competitiveness, through the establishment of efficient distribution networks, speedy delivery systems and a deeper knowledge of technology supplies, competitors and their customers' needs. A four-day training programme would be organized to this end in one of the OIC member countries.
- 84. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in one (1) month, is estimated at US\$98,500 and contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 42,000. A breakdown of the total cost is a follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)			
Item	PGTF	Other	Total	
Personnel (consultants)	15,000	0	15,000	
Travel and per diems	27,000	30,600	57,600	
Training	-	23,100	23,100	
Equipment and materials	-	2,000	2,000	
Other	-	800	800	
Total	42,000	56,500	98,500	

85. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 39,000 be allocated to this end. This contribution should be disbursed in one single tranche.

<u>Project proposal No. 7 -</u> Sustainable rainwater harvesting and ground water recharge in developing countries – Human resource development and technology transfer

- 86. The Center for Science & Technology of the Non-aligned and Other Developing Countries (NAM S&T Center), based in New Delhi, India, submitted directly the proposal. Participating countries would be Bhutan, Cuba, Egypt, Indonesia, Myanmar, South Africa, Sri Lanka, United Republic of Tanzania, and Zambia.
- 87. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at contributing to solve the water shortage problem in conventional water supply systems by means of an integrated effort of rainwater harvesting and ground water recharge. In this regard, capacity building would be achieved through human resource development and technology transfer by (a) preparing a state-of-the-art report, and (b) holding a training programme on rainwater harvesting and ground water recharge for some 20 professionals from participating countries. These trainers would be able to train some 1,000 technicians per annum in their respective countries.
- 88. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in thirty-six (36) months, is estimated at US\$88,600, the contribution being requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 42,300. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)			
Item	PGTF	Other	Total	
Personnel	6,300	6,300	12,600	
Apex committee meetings	5,000	5,000	10,000	
International workshop	8,000	8,000	16,000	
Preparation and publication of state-				
of-the-art reports	10,000	=	10,000	
Handbooks and training material	ı	4,000	4,000	
Travel	=	20,000	20,000	
Training, including field visits	10,000	0	10,000	
Other	3,000	3,000	6,000	
Total	42,300	46,300	88,600	

- 89. The Committee noted that this proposal had been submitted in 2006 and was not supported since it did not comply with guidelines A(f) and A(k) for utilization of PGTF, which require that proposals should contain either written evidence of the declared interest of or explicit participation in the project by beneficiary countries, or approval by the governing body of the proposing institution, as appropriate. Shortcomings in the original proposal were corrected in the resubmitted proposal, which becomes thus eligible for funding under the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources.
- 90. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 42,000 be allocated to this end. This contribution should be disbursed in <u>three tranches</u>, disbursement of the second and third tranches being subject to the timely submission of substantive and financial reports.

Project proposal No. 8 - Network of universities and research centers of the South

91. The Consortium on Science, Technology and Innovation for the South (COSTIS), based in Trieste, Italy, submitted directly the proposal. The project would the executed by COSTIS in collaboration with the Academy of Sciences of the Developing World (TWAS).

- 92. According to the text of the proposal, the proposed project is part of the COSTIS Work Plan for 2008/2009. In particular, it aims at promoting the network of universities and research centers of the developing countries in order to strengthen research and knowledge sharing in the South. Collaboration between groups of scientists, national research councils, academies of science and technology-based private sectors institutions will improve scientific research in the developing countries and will make it more responsive to the developing needs of the South.
- 93. Total cost of the project, to be carried out over a two (2) year period, is estimated at US\$138,000 and the contribution sought from PGTF amounts to US\$40,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)				
Item	PGTF	Other	Total		
Personnel	28,000	(*)	(*)		
Travel	7,000	(*)	(*)		
Sub-contract	1,500	(*)	(*)		
Equipment	2,500	(*)	(*)		
Documentation	1,000	(*)	(*)		
Total	40,000	98,000	138,000		

- (*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation
- 94. The Committee considered that this proposal represents a most important initiative of the South in an area particularly critical for development such as science, technology and innovation. However, in order to be eligible for financing from PGTF a proposal submitted by institutions such as TWAS and COSTIS should have obtained the prior approval of its governing body, as required by guideline A(k) for utilization of PGTF, or include written endorsements from a minimum of three participating developing countries, as required by guidelines A(f) and A(g). The Committee was informed that the Task Force meeting for COSTIS will take place in September 2007 and the general council of TWAS will meet in late November 2007 to consider and endorse this initiative.
- 95. The Committee concluded that the proposal could not be supported at this time but, given the importance of the subject, invited the submitting entities to resubmit the proposal at the next meeting of the Committee, after obtaining approval of their governing bodies.
- 96. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 9 - Regional observatory of the Fouta-Djallon Highlands' natural resources

- 97. The Permanent Mission of Mali to the United Nations submitted the proposal. Other participating countries would be Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Niger, Senegal and Sierra Leone.
- 98. According to the text of the proposal, the overall objective of the project is the establishment of an observatory entrusted with the task of assessing and following up the changes occurring in the state of natural resources of the Fouta-Djallon Highlands. This observatory would be established in the framework of the African Union international coordination bureau, and would be responsible for

monitoring the inventory and technical follow up of the state of natural resources in pilot locations and selected trans-border zones..

99. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in a four (4) year period, is estimated at US\$180,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$42,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Operating expenses	8,000	(*)	(*)
National workshops	12,000	(*)	(*)
Training	17,000	(*)	(*)
Reproduction and dissemination	5,000	(*)	(*)
Total	42,000	138,000	180,000

^(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

- 100. The Committee considered that this project corresponds to a very important initiative critical to the countries of the region. However, it falls within the purview of a very large project implemented within the framework of the Global Environmental Facility (GEF), with a total financing exceeding US\$ 44 million. In this context, the resources that could be provided by PGTF to this project would represent only 0.1 percent of the total cost and would have very little or no impact on the feasibility or the timing of the project activities. The Committee concluded that it could not support the proposal as presented since the requested resources would not provide a meaningful support to the proposed activity.
- 101. The Committee therefore recommended that this project proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 10 - Strengthening family planning and reproductive health services in Pakistan

- 102. The Government of Pakistan submitted this proposal through its Permanent Mission to the United Nations. There is no indication of other countries' participation.
- 103. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to strengthen family planning and reproductive health services in Pakistan, both in the public and private sectors, thorough capacity building programmes.
- 104. There is no indication of the duration of the project, its estimated total cost or the contribution sought from PGTF.
- 105. The Committee considered that the proposal was incomplete, since it lacked a budget, a detailed work plan, indication of its duration and of the amount of inputs from other sources. However, in the light of the information provided, the scope and activities of the project indicated that it is a national project and hence not eligible for funding, according to the provisions of guideline A(f) for utilization of pGTF resources.
- 106. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 11 - Promotion of aquaculture in Uganda

- 107. The Aquaculture Research and Development Center, based in Kampala, Uganda, submitted this proposal through the Permanent Mission of Uganda to the United Nations. There is no indication of other countries participation.
- 108. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to demonstrate and train farmers in the best pond management practices, quality fry production and develop strategies for marketing farmed fish.
- 109. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in one (1) year, is estimated at US\$39,981, the totality of which is the contribution sought from PGTF. No breakdown of the total cost was provided in the supporting documentation.
- 110. The Committee considered that this proposal is of national nature and is thus not eligible for funding, as established in guideline A(f) for utilization of PGTF. In addition, the project contains no inputs from other sources and therefore does not comply with guideline A(m), which requires that inputs from other sources should be of an amount at least equal to the resources requested from PGTF.
- 111. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 12 - Capacity building in plant genomics for Latin America

- 112. The Cayetano Heredia Peruvian University (*Universidad Peruana Cayetano Heredia*), based in Lima, Peru submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Peru to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Brazil and Chile.
- 113. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to facilitate and consolidate a three-nation network which has agreed to undertake the sequencing of Chromosome 3 of the potato in the following three years. This project is geared towards the development of plant genomics as the pioneer of a new kind of scientific undertaking in the region. It includes both human resource and organizational development activities to enable the participating institutions to efficiently carry out their goals.
- 114. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in one (1) year, is estimated at US\$177,600 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$42,000. Contributions from participating institutions would be: Cayetano Heredia Peruvian University (US\$48,600), Brazilian Corporation for Agricultural Research EMBRAPA (US\$45,000) and Institute for Agricultural Research (INIA) from Chile (US\$42,000). A breakdown of the project total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)				
Item	PGTF	Other	Total		
Personnel	0	48,600	48,600		
Travel	16,500	0	16,500		
Living expenses	19,700	0	19,700		
Equipment	4,200	87,000	91,200		
Other	1,600	0	1,600		
Total	42,000	135,600	177,600		

115. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 38,000 be allocated to this end. This contribution should be disbursed in two tranches, disbursement of the second tranche being subject to the timely submission of substantive and financial reports.

<u>Project proposal No. 13 -</u> Harmonization of norms and procedures for value-added timber products in South America

- 116. The Wood Technology Innovation Center (*CITE Madera*) under the Ministry of Production of Peru submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Peru to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Argentina, Chile and Uruguay.
- 117. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to foster the homologation of the procedures and methodologies of tests and quality control in value-added timber products in Argentina, Chile, Peru, and Uruguay. The project involves; (a) Technical visits to quality centers of participating countries, aimed at learning about implementation of services, procedures and methodologies for testing, as well as on how national norms are applied; and (b) A regional workshop on normalization and quality verification mechanisms, involving representatives from governments, centers or institutes for normalization, quality centers and the industrial sector.
- 118. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in twelve (12) months, is estimated at US\$83,575 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$39,565. Contributions from participating institutions would be: CITE Madera from Peru (US\$26,580), the National Institute of Industrial Technology for Wood and Furniture *INTI Maderas y Muebles* from Argentina (US\$7,310), Uruguay Technological Laboratory LATU (US\$7,310) and the Technology Transfer Center of the Chilean Wood Corporation CTT CORMA (US\$9,560). A breakdown of the project total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)				
Item	PGTF	Other	Total		
Personnel	0	(*)	(*)		
Travel	15,000	(*)	(*)		
Living expenses	19,485	(*)	(*)		
Equipment	0	(*)	(*)		
Other	5,080	(*)	(*)		
Total	39,565	44,010	83,575		

^(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

119. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 36,000 be allocated to this end. This contribution should be disbursed in two tranches, disbursement of the second tranche being subject to the timely submission of substantive and financial reports.

<u>Project proposal No. 14 - Strengthening of capacities of private sector agencies and NGOs in selected</u> African countries through regional networking and ECDC/TCDC supporting Women and Youth Entrepreneurship (WED/YED)

- 120. The United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) submitted the proposal, to be implemented in collaboration with the Small Industries Development Organization (SIDO) from the United Republic of Tanzania. Participating countries would be Eritrea, Kenya, Malawi, United Republic of Tanzania, and Zimbabwe.
- 121. According to the text of proposal, the project is to contribute to poverty reduction, through private sector development at the national level, promoting productive activities, building network and market linkages, and ultimately sustainable job opportunities through strengthening the base of Women and Youth Entrepreneurship Development (WED/YED) programmes. Through regional level activities the project will prepare participants with technical training and coaching programmes for promoting competitive agribusiness, technical workshops to support national level application of business support services using UNIDO's tools, methodologies and approaches to initiate and reinforce national level programmes. Regional exchange seminars will be conducted with financial institutions, i.e. commercial banks, industrial banks, micro-credit agencies and SME banks, and network representatives to include credit options in business support services.
- 122. Total cost of the project, to be carried out over an eighteen (18) month period, is estimated at US\$125,000 and the contribution sought from PGTF amounts to US\$42,000. The proposal is meant to be a co-financing effort by UNIDO and PGTF and to this end UNIDO's contribution amounts to US\$83,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)				
Item	PGTF	UNIDO	Total		
Personnel	15,000	22,000	37,000		
Travel	-	32,000	32,000		
Training	26,000	27,000	53,000		
Other	1,000	2,000	3,000		
Total	42,000	83,000	125,000		

123. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 42,000 be allocated to this end. This contribution should be disbursed in two-tranches, disbursement of the second tranche being subject to the timely submission of substantive and financial reports

<u>Project proposal No. 15 - Increased sugar production through microbial inhibition of Leuconostoc sp.</u> and other bacteria (Phase II)

- 124. The Cuban Research Institute on Sugar Cane by-Products (ICIDCA), based in Havana, Cuba submitted the proposal through the Cuban Ministry for Foreign Investment and Economic Cooperation. Other participating countries would be Argentina, Brazil, and Mexico.
- 125. This project is a follow up of a previous one funded by PGTF (cf. project INT/03/K09 in Annex II), which resulted in the development of a microbial inhibitor (called inhibitor "S") that had a better performance than commercial disinfectants used in sugar mills to decrease the effect of microorganisms on sugar losses. Four research institutions and five sugar mills from the participating countries will respectively undertake the research work and validation tests.

- 126. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to further develop and validate the product (inhibitor "S") in the sugar industry. To this end, the project would provide methodologies and biotechnology schemes aimed at (a) introducing the product in the operating practices of sugar mills, (b) extending utilization to other sugar mills, (c) developing toxicological studies needed for the commercial registry of the product, (d) registering the product and undertake market studies, (e) designing application schemes in sugar mills, (f) quantifying the reduction in sugar losses, and (g) contributing to develop ecological sugar production.
- 127. Total cost of the project, to be carried out over a two (2) year period, is estimated at US\$100,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$45,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel (consultants)	2,400	(*)	(*)
Training	7,000	(*)	(*)
Technical meetings	10,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment and expendables	24,000	(*)	(*)
Other	1,600	(*)	(*)
Total	45,000	55,000	100,000

^(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

- 128. As indicated in the proposal, this project is a follow up of project INT/03/K09, which was completed in September 2005. According to guideline B(f) for utilization of PGTF resources, follow up projects can only be considered after completion of the previous one, which is the case for this proposal.
- 129. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 38,000 be allocated to this end. This contribution should be disbursed in two tranches, disbursement of the second tranche being subject to the timely submission of substantive and financial reports.

<u>Project proposal No. 16 - Interactive CD-ROMs on Climate Change for public education among Caribbean audiences</u>

- 130. The Caribbean Council for Science and Technology (CCST), based in Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Trinidad and Tobago to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, and St. Vincent and the Grenadines.
- 131. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to develop a three (3) part educational CD-ROM on climate change. It is expected that the project would encourage Caribbean countries to fulfill international agreements on climate change such as the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. It is also envisaged that this tool will educate both youth and adult public on the science of climate change and contributing factors, and foster awareness on methods for successful adaptation including measures for abiding by international agreements aimed at lessening the contributing factors to climate change. The CD-ROMs would focus on: (a) factors contributing to global warming and subsequently climate change, (b) impact of climate change globally and within the Caribbean region (sea level rise, increased temperatures, changes in rainfall patterns, increased intensity of natural disaster activity, and the like), and (c) methods of reducing greenhouse

gases and ways of adapting to climate change with particular reference to developing countries. Each CD-ROM would be developed to include various interactive games and activities, as well as short video clips geared towards a general audience.

132. Total cost of the project, to be carried out over a fifteen (15) month period, is estimated at US\$80,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$40,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)			
Item	PGTF	Other	Total	
Research and data gathering	-	5,000	5,000	
Concept and content development of games	-	2,000	2,000	
Graphic work	-	3,000	3,000	
Computer game software development and				
audiovisual work	40,000	15,000	55,000	
Reproduction and dissemination of CD-ROMs	-	15,000	15,000	
Total	40,000	40,000	80,000	

133. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 36,000 be allocated to this end. This contribution should be disbursed in two tranches, disbursement of the second tranche being subject to the timely submission of substantive and financial reports.

<u>Project proposal No.17 - Cultivation and popularization of Phyla to govern red soil erosion and abandoned mines in Southern China and Southeast Asian countries</u>

- 134. The Plant Materials Center for Soil and Water Conservation, under the Chinese Ministry of Water Resources, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Bangladesh, India, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Nepal, Pakistan, Thailand, Viet Nam and others.
- 135. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to reduce soil and water loss by red soil erosion and integrated management of abandoned mines in China and Southeast Asia developing countries. To this end, the project will promote testing of Phyla varieties, construction of demonstration bases and seed multiplication.
- 136. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in one (1) year, is estimated at US\$90,000, the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 42,000. No breakdown of the total cost was provided in the supporting documentation.
- 137. The Committee noted that the project activities, to be funded with PGTF resources, take place in the submitting country with no involvement of other countries, i.e. are of a national nature and that participation of other countries, invited to participate in free training, takes place only after completion of the project. This implies that involvement of other countries is through dissemination of results, which by itself cannot be considered as a rationale for the cooperative nature of the project, as is clearly established in guideline A(f) for utilization of PGTF resources. Both elements make the proposal not eligible for financing.

138. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

<u>Project proposal No. 18 -</u> International cooperation of higher education popularization and reformation study for developing countries

- 139. The Tongji University based in Shanghai, China, and the Shanghai Regional Cooperation Office for City Informatization submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Indonesia, Nepal and Sri Lanka.
- 140. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at constructing a platform or improved academic and applied research exchange for cooperators in typical developing countries during their higher education policy popularization and reformation process. The project involves (a) convening of one or two formal conferences or workshops where participants will share research results, (b) establishing a mechanism for research information exchange and (c) constructing a typical higher education policy reformation and popularization strategy useful for cities in developing countries.
- 141. Total cost of the project, to be carried out over a two (2) year period, is estimated at US\$ 100,000 and the contribution being requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 42,000. One of the submitting entities, namely the Shanghai Regional Cooperation Office, will contribute US\$58,000. No breakdown of the total cost was provided in the supporting documentation.
- 142. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 35,000 be allocated to this end. This contribution should be disbursed in two tranches, disbursement of the second tranche being subject to the timely submission of substantive and financial reports

<u>Project proposal No. 19 - Training of agriculture administrators, technicians and farmers on sustainable development in the mountainous upland areas of the Greater Mekong subregion</u>

- 143. The Lancang-Mekong Sub-regional Economic Cooperation & Trade Development Center (LMEC), based in Yunnan, China under the Yunnan Academy of Agricultural Sciences (YAAS), submitted the proposal thorough the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Cambodia, Lao People's Democratic Republic and Viet Nam.
- 144. According to the text of the proposal, the project is aimed at increasing the food security of communities in participating countries by introducing upland rice varieties and relative cultivation methods. Food security would be enhanced through better understanding and introduction of proven upland rice cultivars for direct use by training agricultural administrators, technicians and farmers under upland conditions of Cambodia, Lao PDR and Viet Nam. Agricultural exchanges among GMS countries would be promoted not only regarding upland rice varieties, but also on other agricultural technologies such as hybrid rice varieties and cultivation technologies, tea planting and processing technologies, flowers production systems, winter potato production schemes and the like.
- 145. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in twelve (12) months, is estimated at US\$108,000 and the contribution sought from PGTF amounts to US\$42,000. Other contributors include YAAS (US\$55,800) and the beneficiary countries (US\$10,200). A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)			
Item	PGTF	Other	Total	
Personnel	0	(*)	(*)	
International travel	11,000	(*)	(*)	
Training	21,700	(*)	(*)	
Equipment	4,300	(*)	(*)	
Other	5,000	(*)	(*)	
Total	42,000	66,000	108,000	

^(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

146. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 42,000 be allocated to this end. This contribution should be disbursed in two tranches, disbursement of the second tranche being subject to the timely submission of substantive and financial reports

<u>Project proposal No. 20 -</u> Community-based sustainable alternative livelihood development for lake protection

- 147. The Office of Mountain-River-Lake Development Committee (MRLDO) of the province of Jiangxi, China, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Indonesia and Sri Lanka.
- 148. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to enhance the institutional capacities of participants in sustainable alternative livelihood development and lake protection, and to build an international cooperation and exchange platform with regard to lake protection for promoting the establishment of the *Asian Living Lake Network*. The project involves a consultative mission from China to Indonesia and Sri Lanka, a training course on sustainable alternative livelihood development, and a seminar on the establishment of the Asian Living Lake Network.
- 149. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in twelve (12) months, is estimated at US\$87,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$42,000. Contributions from participating institutions would be: MRLDO (US\$35,000), Conservation Foundation for Rare Aquatic Species of Indonesia (US\$5,000) and EMACE Sri Lanka (US\$5,000). A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	4,000	(*)	(*)
International travel	13,000	(*)	(*)
Training	21,000	(*)	(*)
Other	4,000	(*)	(*)
Total	42,000	45,000	87,000

^(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

150. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 38,000 be allocated to this end. This contribution should be disbursed in two

<u>tranches</u>, disbursement of the second_tranche being subject to the timely submission of substantive and financial reports.

<u>Project proposal No. 21 -</u> Fee-for-service Pico hydro: model for providing power to remote, low-income households

- 151. The International Center on Small Hydropower (ICSHP), based in Hangzhou, China, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be India and Sri Lanka.
- 152. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to establish a sustainable, replicable financing model to provide remote, low-income, households in India and Sri Lanka with affordable, reliable electricity from innovative Pico hydro systems on a rental basis. The project will create community service providers to provide efficient and serviced Pico hydro units through a fee-for-service programme.
- 153. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in twelve (12) months, is estimated at US\$97,500 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$42,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	9,000	(*)	(*)
International travel	4,000	(*)	(*)
Training	9,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment	20,000	(*)	(*)
Total	42,000	55,500	97,500

^(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

154. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 38,000 be allocated to this end. This contribution should be disbursed in two tranches, disbursement of the second tranche being subject to the timely submission of substantive and financial reports.

<u>Project proposal No. 22 - South-South information flows: Mapping media connections and strategic capacity-building interventions with journalists</u>

- 155. Inter Press Service (IPS) Asia-Pacific news agency, based in Bangkok, Thailand submitted directly the proposal.
- 156. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to strengthen southern information flows that reflect the reality of the South, up to and including the creation of a News Agency of the South. In particular, the project involves (a) making an analysis of the current state of play aimed at examining the role and reach of the current major players of the South, as well as the kind of news they produce, both in terms of form and content, (b) promoting news exchange, to be considered as pilot initiatives whilst the feasibility and resources for more comprehensive implementation of the study's results are examined, and (c) implementing two workshop for media practitioners in the Asia-Pacific as immediate follow up of the study.

157. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in twelve (12) months, is estimated at US\$80,000 and the contribution sought from PGTF amounts to US\$40,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	10,000	(*)	(*)
Training	30,000	(*)	(*)
Total	40,000	40,000	80,000

^(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

- 158. Following examination of the supporting documentation, the Committee found that the proposal had only one written endorsement by a member country, namely Uruguay. Hence, the proposed does not comply with guidelines A(f) and A(g) for utilization of PGTF resources, which require participation of a minimum of three developing countries and written evidence of their interest of or participation in the activities of the project as potential beneficiaries.
- 159. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

<u>Project proposal No. 23 - Comprehensive law and policy within the Caribbean Community</u> (CARICOM) – Strengthening the technical capacity of the region's judiciary

- 160. The Fair Trading Commission (FTC) of Jamaica submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Jamaica to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Barbados and Trinidad and Tobago.
- 161. In recognition of the vital role of the Courts in the enforcement of Competition Law, the Jamaica FTC has committed itself to facilitating a sustained training programme for members of the Judiciary in the Caribbean region. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to bring consistency and predictability to the adjudicative process and enhance the jurisprudence in the area of Competition Law and Policy in the region. To this end, the project involves securing the services of relevant experts to conduct a classroom type interactive workshop, as part of the FTC training programme.
- 162. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in six (6) months, is estimated at US\$30,400 and the contribution sought from PGTF amounts to US\$20,900. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	(*)	(*)	8,400
Training	(*)	(*)	21,800
Other	(*)	(*)	200
Total	20,900	9,500	30,400

^(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

163. The Committee found that it was not possible to ascertain the cooperative element of the project, as required by guideline A(f) for utilization of PGTF. Even though the beneficiary countries are identified in the proposal, the supporting documentation contains no written evidence of their interest in participating as required by the guidelines. In addition, inputs from other sources are significantly lower

than the resources requested from PGTF and this would limit to US\$9,500 the maximum support that could be given to the project, according to the provisions of guideline A(m).

164. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

<u>Project proposal No. 24 - Water and sewerage treatment system for the city of Monrovia (Liberia)</u>

- 165. The Permanent Mission of Liberia to the United Nations submitted the proposal.
- 166. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to conduct a feasibility study for the rehabilitation of the sewerage treatment plant of Monrovia and additional work that would be required to restore services at 100% level.
- 167. There is no indication of the duration of the project and its estimated cost is US\$42,000, the totality of which is the contribution requested from PGTF.
- 168. The Committee considered that both the scope and activities of the project are of a national nature and therefore the proposal is not eligible for financing as established in guideline A(f) for utilization of PGTF resources.
- 169. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 25 - Rural enterprise development programme

- 170. The Municipality of La Libertad, Negros Oriental, Philippines, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of the Philippines to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be China, Japan and Malaysia.
- 171. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to implement a Rural Enterprise Development Programme, which includes (a) organization of cooperatives and strengthening of existing people's organizations, (b) enhancement of the stakeholders knowledge and information on the rural micro-enterprises they are in, and (c) development of rural micro-enterprises to be managed by marginalized farmers and fishermen (e.g. bamboo craft furniture and product utilization, papaya plantation, ceramics/pottery, meat processing, livestock, and the like).
- 172. Total cost of the project, to be carried out over a two (2) year period, is estimated at US\$42,000 the totality of which is the contribution sought from PGTF. No breakdown of the total cost was provided.
- 173. The Committee found that it was not possible to ascertain the cooperative element of the project, as required by guideline A(f) for utilization of PGTF. Even though the beneficiary countries are identified in the proposal, the supporting documentation contains no written evidence of their interest in participating as required by the guidelines. In addition, the proposal contains no inputs from other sources and therefore does not comply with guideline A(m), which requires that inputs from other sources should be of an amount at least equal to the resources requested from PGTF.
- 174. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

<u>Project proposal No. 26 - Sub-regional Cooperation for the Promotion of Youth Anti-corruption and Integrity Education</u>

- 175. Transparency International-Philippines Inc. submitted directly the proposal. Other participating countries would be Indonesia and Malaysia.
- 176. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to pool sub-regional resources in order to study and recommend possible approaches to promote ethics and integrity in the educational system.
- 177. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in eighteen (18) months, is estimated at US\$87,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$42,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel (consultants)	6,000	(*)	(*)
Travel	6,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment	6,000	(*)	(*)
Reporting	5,000	(*)	(*)
Other	19,000	(*)	(*)
Total	42,000	45,000	87,000

^(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

- 178. The Committee found that it was not possible to ascertain the cooperative element of the project, as required by guideline A(f) for utilization of PGTF resources. In this regard, participants should provide written evidence of their interest in being part of the project and the supporting documentation provided to the Committee only contained a letter of endorsement from Indonesia. Therefore, the project would have two participants and this does not comply with guideline A(g), which requires a minimum of three (3) participating countries for a proposal to be eligible for funding. In addition, the proposal should have been submitted through a national focal point or competent national authority, as required by guideline A(n).
- 179. The Committee therefore recommended that this project proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

<u>Project proposal No. 27 - Developing strategic international partnerships in the field of science and technology</u>

- 180. SaferAfrica, a non-profit non-governmental organization based in Pretoria, South Africa and the Embassy of Argentina to South Africa submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations. There is no specific indication of participating countries, but the supporting documentation indicates that participants would come from Mercosur and SADC (Southern Africa Development Community) member countries.
- 181. According to the text of the proposal, the main objective of the project is to identify the potential of cooperation in the fields of science and technology between the institutions related to these matters in two regions of the South, the one formed by Mercosur member countries and the other formed by SADC (Southern Africa Development Community) member countries. The first phase will include the creation

of a forum to be launched in a Southern African regional workshop of research institutions and senior government officials that are policy makers in the field of science and technology. Counterparts from Mercosur countries will be invited. The objective of the workshop will be to begin the development of strategic partnerships among participant institutions, focusing on science and technology for development. Following identification of these partnerships, additional resources would be mobilized by the implementing agency.

182. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in ten (10) months, is estimated at US\$80,000. Contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$40,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Travel	15,000	(*)	(*)
Accommodation and meals	15,000	(*)	(*)
Website	5,000	(*)	(*)
Reporting and publication	5,000	(*)	(*)
Total	40,000	40,000	80,000

^(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

- 183. The Committee noted that this proposal was submitted in 2006 and was not supported because it was not possible to ascertain the cooperative element of the project, as required by guideline A(f) for utilization of PGTF. Even though some beneficiary countries were identified in the proposal, the supporting documentation contained no written evidence of their interest in participating in the project.
- 184. The proposal was resubmitted in 2007 and it contains the written endorsement of only one country (Uruguay). Therefore, the project would have two participants and this does not comply with guideline A(g), which requires a minimum of three (3) participating countries for a proposal to be eligible for funding.
- 185. The Committee concluded that the resubmitted proposal still failed to comply with the guidelines and therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

<u>Project proposal No. 28 -</u> Exchange of experiences on community forestry management in Western Amazon

- 186. The Amazonian Workers Center (*Centro dos Trabalhadores da Amazonia*), based in Rio Branco, State of Acre, Brazil, submitted directly the proposal. Other participating countries would be Bolivia and Peru.
- 187. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to organize preparatory meetings for an international gathering on community forestry management, involving communities and organizations participating in the MAP Initiative (MAP is a region that consists of the Department of Madre de Dios, Peru; the State of Acre, Brazil; and the Department of Pando, Bolivia).
- 188. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in nine (9) months, is estimated at US\$44,000 and the contribution sought from PGTF amounts to US\$40,000. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel (consultants)	6,500	(*)	(*)
Travel	31,500	(*)	(*)
Other	2,000	(*)	(*)
Total	40,000	4,000	44,000

^(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

- 189. The Committee found that it was not possible to ascertain the cooperative element of the project, as required by guideline A(f) for utilization of PGTF. Even though the beneficiary countries are identified in the proposal, the supporting documentation contains no written evidence of their interest in participating as required by the guidelines. In addition, the proposal contains only small inputs from other sources (US\$4,000) and therefore it would not be possible to comply with guideline A(m), which requires that inputs from other sources should be of an amount at least equal to the resources requested from PGTF, and provide any meaningful support to the project.
- 190. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

<u>Project proposal No. 29 - International environmentally sound technologies network of Portuguese-speaking countries in Africa and South America</u>

- 191. The Government of Brazil submitted the proposal. Other participating countries would be Angola, Cape Verde, Guinea Bissau, Mozambique, and Sao Tome and Principe.
- 192. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to launch a process of exchange in the field of environmentally sound technologies, while making participating countries aware of and able to make use of Brazil's success with those technologies. Priority areas to the addressed in the exchange process include those that often require environmentally-sound technological solutions, e.g. agriculture, forestry, livestock, atmosphere/air, energy, manufacturing and construction, mining, water resources, fisheries/aquaculture, residues/basic sanitation, and sustainable tourism.
- 193. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in one (1) year, is estimated at US\$42,000 the totality of which is the contribution requested from PGTF. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel (consultant)	6,580	-	6,580
Training	35,000	-	35,000
Other	420	=	420
Total	42,000	0	42,000

194. The Committee found that it was not possible to ascertain the cooperative element of the project, as required by guideline A(f) for utilization of PGTF. Even though the beneficiary countries are identified in the proposal, the supporting documentation contains no written evidence of their interest in participating as required by the guidelines. In addition, the proposal contains no inputs from other sources and therefore does not comply with guideline A(m), which requires that inputs from other sources should be of an amount at least equal to the resources requested from PGTF.

195. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 30 - Regional project for integrated management of Red Palm Weevil

- 196. The Ministry of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform of the Syrian Arab Republic submitted the proposal through its Permanent Mission to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Jordan and Lebanon.
- 197. The Red Palm Weevil is considered one of the most important insect pests that threaten date palm cultivation. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to prevent spreading of this insect pest to areas inside and outside of the Syrian Arab Republic and to try to eradicate it from areas where it is established utilizing all appropriate efforts and tactics.
- 198. There is no indication of the duration of the project and total estimated cost is US\$45,000. The contribution sought from PGTF amounts to US\$42,000. No breakdown of the total cost was provided.
- 199. The Committee considered that this proposal was incomplete since no detailed budget or work plan were provided in the supporting documentation. Even though the beneficiary countries are identified in the proposal, the supporting documentation contained no written evidence of their interest in participating as required by guideline A(f) for utilization of PGTF. In addition, the proposal did not comply with guideline A(m), which establishes that inputs from other sources should be of an amount at least equal to the resources requested from PGTF.
- 200. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

<u>Project proposal No. 31 - Development of Efficacy of Biological Control for Cotton Insects in Syria, Egypt and Sudan</u>

- 201. The Ministry of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform of the Syrian Arab Republic submitted the proposal through its Permanent Mission to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Egypt and Sudan.
- 202. According to the text of the proposal, the objectives of the project are (a) exchange of biological control agents for cotton insects among participating countries, (b) release of new species of biological control agents from international laboratories advanced in this field, (c) exchange of expertise on multiplication and release of biological control agents and assessment of results, and (d) organize scientific visits of international experts in the field to the participating countries.
- 203. Total cost of the project, to be carried out in eighteen (18) months, is estimated at US\$75,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$42,000. Contributions from participating countries would be: Syria (US\$13,000), Egypt (US\$10,000) and Sudan (US\$10,000). A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel (international consultants)	15,000	(*)	(*)
Travel	3,000	(*)	(*)
Training	15,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment	6,000	(*)	(*)
Other	3,000		
Total	42,000	33,000	75,000

^(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

- 204. The Committee found that it was not possible to ascertain the cooperative element of the project, as required by guideline A(f) for utilization of PGTF. Even though the beneficiary countries are identified in the proposal, the supporting documentation contains no written evidence of their interest in participating as required by the guidelines.
- 205. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

<u>Project proposal No. 32 - Training the staff of the General Commission of Communications System in the area of coding</u>

- 206. The Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations submitted the proposal.
- 207. The proposal was incomplete since only the title of the project was made available to the Committee and no supporting documentation was provided. The Committee was unable to assess the proposal and therefore recommended that it should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 33 - National Commercial Aquaculture Development Framework

- 208. The Government of Uganda submitted the proposal through its Permanent Mission to the United Nations. There is no indication of participation of other countries.
- 209. According to the text of the proposal, the objective of the project is to establish a context in which sound investments can be made in aquaculture in East Africa, and specifically Uganda.
- 210. Total cost of the project, to be carried over a two (2) year period, is estimated at US\$105,500 and the contribution sought from PGTF amounts to US\$80,500. A breakdown of the total cost is as follows:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	10,000	(*)	(*)
International and in-country travel	17,500	(*)	(*)
Training	31,500	(*)	(*)
Equipment	11,700	(*)	(*)
Other	9,800		
Total	80,500	25,000	105,500

^(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

- 211. The Committee considered that this proposal cannot be considered as a cooperation project since there is no identification of other participating countries. As established in guideline A(f) for utilization of PGTF resources, projects of a national nature are not eligible for funding. In addition, the proposal does not comply with guideline A(m), which requires that inputs from other sources should be of an amount at least equal to the resources requested from PGTF.
- 212. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal should <u>not</u> avail from the financing of PGTF.

Budget increase for project INT/00/K08 - "Support to the Committee of Experts - Phase III"

- 213. In 2006 the budget of project INT/00/K08, which provides support to the work of the Committee of Experts, was increased by US\$75,000 with a maximum disbursement in 2007 of US\$30,000. On the basis of actual expenses incurred between 1998 and 2005, the current average cost per meeting of the Committee was US\$ 15,000 and this allocation provided the resources to hold up to a maximum of two meetings of the Committee per year, as established in guideline B(i) for utilization of PGTF resources. Given that the Committee normally holds one meeting per year, only half of this amount would be actually spent unless two meetings were held in a given year.
- 214. However, in spite of the fact that experts travel on the most economical routes as a means of keeping costs at the bare minimum, the cost per meeting of the Committee increased to US\$18,000 in 2006 and US\$20,000 in 2007, due to (a) a 26 percent increase of the United Nations DSA rates, which are utilized to calculate the per diems of the members of the Committee participating in the meetings, and (b) the fact that one expert stationed in New York was replaced by another coming from his capital and it was necessary to cover the cost of his participation (i.e. air ticket and per diems). On the other hand, expenses to be incurred in the fund-raising effort aimed at increasing PGTF resources and expenses related to the dissemination of the results of PGTF-funded projects, in particular through digitalization of paper-based reports and preparation of brochures, require an additional allocation of US\$10,000 for 2008.
- 215. Since actual expenditures in 2007 would be around US\$20,000 there would be a remaining balance of US\$10,000 from last year's US\$30,000 allocation. It would then be necessary to make a new allocation of US\$40,000 for 2008 in order to be able to provide funding to a maximum of two meetings of the Committee (at a cost per meeting of US\$20,000) and to the abovementioned fund-raising and dissemination effort (US\$10,000).
- 216. As indicated in last year's report, it would be necessary to examine the situation every year in order to calculate the required allocation (i.e. US\$20,000 when only one meeting is held and US\$ 40,000 in the event of two meetings).
- 217. The Committee therefore recommended that US\$40,000 be allocated to project INT/00/K08 within the budget increase of US\$75,000 approved in 2007.

SUMMARY OF PROJECT PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

218. In summary, the Committee recommended that the following twelve (12) new project proposals plus a budget increase for an existing project avail from the financing of PGTF and resources allocated to this end amount to US\$ 500.000. A breakdown of this total is as follows:

<u>Project</u>	Title	Allocation
(1)		(\$US)
(1)	Training on the development and application of natural high-priced substances in developing countries	36,000
(2)	Training programme for devising national small and medium enterprises	30,000
(2)	(SME) programmes for member countries of the Organization of the Islamic	
	Conference (OIC)	39,000
(3)	Sustainable rainwater harvesting and ground water recharge in developing	37,000
(0)	countries – Human resource development and technology transfer	42,000
<i>(4)</i>	Capacity building in plant genomics for Latin America	38,000
(5)	Harmonization of norms and procedures for value-added timber products in	,
. ,	South America	36,000
(6)	Strengthening of capacities of private sector agencies and NGOs in selected	·
	African countries through regional networking and ECDC/TCDC supporting	
	Women and Youth Entrepreneurship (WED/YED)	42,000
(7)	Increased sugar production through microbial inhibition of Leuconostoc sp.	
	and other bacteria (phase II)	38,000
(8)	Interactive CD-ROMs on Climate Change for public education among	
	Caribbean audiences	36,000
(9)	International cooperation of higher education popularization and reformation	
(30)	study for developing countries	35,000
(10)	Training of agriculture administrators, technicians and farmers on sustainable	
	development in the mountainous upland areas of the Greater Mekong sub-	42 000
(11)	region (GMS)Community-based sustainable alternative livelihood development for lake	42,000
(11)	protection	38,000
(12)	Fee-for-service Pico hydro: model for providing power to remote, low-income	30,000
(12)	households	38,000
(13)	Budget increase for project INT/00/K08 "Support to the Committee of Experts	20,000
(20)	of PGTF – Phase III"	40,000
	TOTAL	500,000
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219. As indicated in paragraph 6, available resources for funding new project proposals in 2007 (i.e. US\$ 520,000) come from two sources, namely PGTF general resources (US\$420,000) and IFAD's contribution (US\$100,000). Following approval by IFAD of the Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWPB) for 2007 under the IFAD-PGTF Grant Agreement, three (3) of the approved proposals will receive funding from IFAD's contribution. The difference between total approved allocation and IFAD's contribution will be covered from PGTF general resources. These projects are the following:

Project	Title	Total allocation (US\$)	PGTF resources (US\$)	IFAD's contribution (US\$)
(3)	Sustainable rainwater harvesting and ground water recharge in developing countries – Human resource development and technology transfer	42,000	11,000	31,000
(6)	Strengthening of capacities of private sector agencies and NGOs in selected African countries through regional networking and ECDC/TCDC supporting Women and Youth	,	,	,
(10)	Entrepreneurship (WED/YED) Training of agriculture administrators, technicians and farmers on sustainable development in the mountainous	42,000	9,000	33,000
	upland areas of the Greater Mekong sub-region (GMS) TOTAL	42,000 126,000	11,000 31,000	31,000 95,000

220. According to the information provided by UNDP, total available resources for funding new project proposals in 2007 amount to approximately US\$520,000 (i.e. US\$420,000 coming from PGTF general resources and US\$100,000 coming from IFAD's contribution). This amount includes the projected interest earnings from 1 January to 31 December 2007. A detailed breakdown of the financial status of PGTF is provided in Annex IV.

IV. ASSESSMENT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF APPROVED PROJECTS

- 221. The Committee examined the status of implementation of projects adopted by the 20th, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th and 30th Annual Meetings of Ministers for Foreign Affairs, held in New York respectively in September 1996, September 1998, September 1999, September 2000, September 2002, September 2003, September 2004, September 2005, and September 2006.
- 222. The following twenty-two (22) progress, terminal and financial reports on projects under implementation were made available to the Committee of Experts:
 - 1. Final report submitted by Inter Press Service (IPS) for project INT/95/K03 "ECDC/TCDC information support to the Group of 77 chapters (phase III) Journal of the Group of 77
 - 2. Final report submitted by the Jordan University of Science and Technology for project INT/01/K02 "Improving Awassi Sheep Productivity by using frozen semen in Jordan and the Palestinian Authority"
 - 3. Final report submitted by the AL al-Bayt University from Jordan for project INT/01/K03 "Watershed Management in the Northern Badia Region"
 - 4. Final report submitted by the Export Promotion Commission (PROMPEX) from Peru for project INT/03/K02 Cooperation in promoting an Andean Fair Competition System (SICCLA)"
 - 5. Final report and financial statement submitted by the Research Center of Universidad Católica de Santa María (St. Mary's Catholic University) from Arequipa, Peru for project INT/04/K02 "Information network to promote strategies of socio-economic development in South American camelids of Andean Countries"
 - 6. Final report and financial statement submitted by the National Agricultural Health Service (SENASA) from Peru for project INT/04/K03 "Design of a system of management of used pesticide containers"
 - 7. Final report submitted by UNIDO and the African Regional Center for Technology for project INT/04/K06 "Technology Transfer: Assessing Needs Promoting Action"
 - 8. Final report submitted by the Postal Union of the Americas, Spain and Portugal (UPAEP) for project INT/04/K07 "Regional integration of postal transportation in the Andean Community"
 - 9. Final report submitted by the Irrigation Designing Research Institute (IDRI) from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for project INT/06/K01 "Training of irrigation and drainage designers for protection from drought and flood damage in developing countries"
 - 10. Final report submitted by Institute of Electric Power and Remote Control (IEPRC) from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for project INT/06/K02 "Training of experts on construction and operation of small-size hydropower plants in developing countries"
 - 11. Final report submitted by the State Administration for Quality Management from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for project INT/06/K03 "Training of experts on standardization and metrology in developing countries"

- 12. Final report submitted by the Mercosur Economic Research Network (Merconet) based in Uruguay for project INT/06/K05 "Support to the MERCOSUR integration process"
- 13. Final report submitted by the Caribbean Youth Environment Network (CYEN) from Barbados for project INT/06/K07 "International youth leadership training for promotion of South-South cooperation 2nd Study session and training""
- 14. Final report submitted by Friends of the Caatinga Biosphere Institute for project INT/07/K01 "First International Seminar on biosphere resources located in semi-arid regions"
- 15. Progress report submitted by the National Scientific Equipment Centre (NSEC) of the Ethiopian Science and Technology Commission for project INT/00/K02 "EPPP Electronic Prototype Production Project in Ethiopia-"
- 16. Financial statement submitted by the Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 in New York for project INT/00/K08 "Support to the Committee of Experts of PGTF-Phase III"
- 17. Progress report submitted by the Zambia Investment Centre for project INT/03/K01 "Support to the Coordinating Secretariat of the Zambia-Malawi-Mozambique Growth Triangle for the implementation of the ZMM-GT"
- 18. Progress report submitted by the National Agricultural Health Service (SENASA) from Peru for project INT/03/K04 "Prevention in Peru and control programme in Bolivia and Brazil against Anthonomus Grandis Boheman "The Mexican Cotton Boll Weevil""
- 19. Progress report submitted by the Peruvian Trade Commission (PROMPEX) for project INT/05/K05 "Exchange of experiences of export trade promotion organizations in the Andean Region"
- 20. Progress report submitted by the Finlay Institute Center for Research-Production of Vaccines from Cuba for project INT/05/K10 "Latin American network of scientific and technical information on vaccines"
- 21. Progress report submitted by the Caribbean Council for Science and Technology (CCST) from Trinidad and Tobago for project INT/06/K08 "Creation of a rainwater harvesting model-"
- 22. Progress report submitted by National Agricultural Health Service (SENASA) from Peru for project INT/06/K09 "Harmonization of norms and procedures for agronomic evaluation of commercial varieties in Peru, Colombia and Bolivia"
- 223. According to the status of their implementation, approved projects can be grouped into several categories:
 - (a) Projects completed;
 - (b) Projects under implementation;
 - (c) Projects under preparation still to be implemented;
 - (d) Projects not implemented and allocated funds reverted to PGTF;
 - (e) Projects under query
- 224. Completed and non-implemented projects could be considered as inactive and their main features are included as reference in Annex II.

A. **Projects under implementation**

225. Thirty-six (36) approved projects were being implemented as of the date of the Twenty-Second Meeting of the Committee of Experts. This total is the result of forty-five (45) projects that were under implementation during the period between the twenty-first and twenty-second meetings of the Committee,

plus six (6) that started being implemented during this period, minus fifteen (15) that were completed. Detailed information on the status of these projects is provided below:

- (1) Program for Cooperation in Training and Development of Technologies to Support Primary Health Care in African Countries with Portuguese Official Language
- 226. Submitter: Oswaldo Cruz Foundation (FIOCRUZ) through the Government of Brazil.

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Angola, Brazil, Cape Verde, Guinea Bissau,

Mozambique, and Sao Tome and Principe)

PGTF input: US\$59,300 Other inputs: US\$60,000 Number: INT/96/K04 Duration: One (1) year

<u>Approval</u>: 20th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed on behalf of the Government of Brazil on 17 June 1997 and by UNDP on 24 June 1997. The sub-contract agreement concluded between the Government of Brazil and the Oswaldo Cruz Foundation was signed on 24 March 1997.

- 227. Disbursement of a first tranche of US\$29,650 was made through the UNDP Resident Representative in Brazil. A progress report was submitted on 9 June 1998. The Office of the Chairman received on 10 September 1998 a copy of the financial statement of expenditure for the first tranche. Disbursement of the second tranche of US\$26,685 was authorized by UNDP on 12 January 1999.
- 228. On 20 December 1999, 3 March 2000 and 25 April 2000, the Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations informed the Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 that the technical seminar on "Management and epidemiological vigilance in public health" within the framework of the project had to be postponed.
- 229. Three reminders requesting submission of progress and financial reports were sent, the last on 18 May 2001. No replies have been received from the subcontractor. The Committee at its seventeenth meeting recommended that a final notice be sent to FIOCRUZ requesting submission of the outstanding reports before 31 December 2002.
- 230. No reply has been received from the sub-contractor as of mid-July 2004. The Committee therefore requested UNDP to follow up on this matter with FIOCRUZ and the Government of Brazil. In this regard, the Committee recommended that copies of the relevant communications be sent to the Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations.
- 231. Since no progress has been achieved during the past seven years regarding submission of substantive and financial reports, the Committee requested UNDP to make a final attempt to follow up on this matter with FIOCRUZ and the Government of Brazil, and send copies of the relevant communications to the Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations. If no progress is achieved by 31 December 2007, the Committee recommended to operationally closing the project and revert to PGTF the unspent balance of the original allocation (i.e. US\$ 2,965).

(2) Rural Education and Agricultural Extension Facility for the Nomads of the Sahel and Sahara Regions

232. Submitter: Foundation for Social Peace of Niger, with endorsement of the General

Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Algeria, Burkina Faso, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya,

Mali, and Niger)

PGTF input: US\$85,000 Other inputs: US\$659,340 Number: INT/96/K06 Duration: One (1) year

<u>Approval</u>: 20th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996)

<u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Organization of the Islamic Conference on 16 December 1996 and by UNDP on 18 February 1997. The subcontract agreement concluded between the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the Foundation for Social Peace was signed on 1 March 1997.

- 233. An initial disbursement of US\$45,000 was made through the UNDP Resident Representative in Niger in May 1997. A financial statement of expenditures for the first tranche was submitted to UNDP by the Organization of the Islamic Conference on 17 June 1997. On 24 June 1997, the Special Unit for TCDC of UNDP requested the UNDP Resident Representative in Niger to disburse the second tranche of US\$40,000. The Office of the Chairman received a copy of a progress report on 9 September 1997.
- 234. The Committee recommended at its fifteenth meeting that the Office of the Chairman request the sub-contractor to submit the outstanding final report and statement of expenditure before 31 December 2000.
- 235. The Organization of the Islamic Conference was requested to follow up on the status of the project via fax of 11 May 2001. The Committee recommended at its seventeenth meeting that a final notice be sent to the sub-contractor requesting submission of the outstanding reports before 31 December 2002, and a reminder be sent to the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference with a request to follow up on this matter.
- 236. The Committee requested the UNDP to follow up on this matter with the Organization of the Islamic Conference.

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

237. Submitter: Asian Alliance of Appropriate Technology Practitioners (Approtech), based in

Manila, Philippines

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above Priority area: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries (Bangladesh, Chile, Ecuador, Ghana, India,

Indonesia, Kenya, Kiribati, Nepal, Philippines, Sri Lanka, and Thailand)

PGTF input: US\$100,000 Other inputs: US\$150,000 Number: INT/98/K10 Duration: 3 years <u>Approval</u>: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

<u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Government of the Philippines on 11 June 1999 and by UNDP on 13 April 2000

- 238. The UNDP country office in the Philippines was authorized on 29 August 2000 to disburse US\$90,000 to the subcontractor. However, no progress was made on this project in 2000 since no government agency was identified to execute the project. A revised work and financial plan for the project was submitted to the UNDP on 4 December 2000, and following a request from the Government of the Philippines in a letter dated 5 March 2001, Approtech was identified as both the implementing and the executing agency.
- 239. The UNDP country office disbursed US\$56,000 to the sub-contractor on 29 March 2001. The sub-contractor submitted a progress report and financial statement on 21October 2003, with a request for disbursement of the second tranche of US\$34,000, which was authorized by the UNDP on 13 November 2003.
- 240. On 14 June 2005 the UNDP sent a request for the outstanding progress and financial reports. Since no reply has been received so far, the Committee requested the UNDP to follow up on this matter with the sub-contractor and the UNDP country office in the Philippines.
- 241. In addition to the foregoing follow up effort, the Committee recommended to seek the assistance of the Permanent Mission of the Philippines to the United Nations and to this end requested that copies of the relevant communication be sent to the Permanent Mission.

(4) Sub-regional intellectual property system

242. <u>Submitter</u>: Andean Community General Secretariat, based in Lima, Peru

Subcontractor: Not required

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 member countries (Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, and

Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$50,000 Other inputs: US\$50,000 Number: INT/98/K11 Duration: 2 years

<u>Approval</u>: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

- 243. On 13 August 1999 the UNDP authorized its Resident Representative in Peru to disburse the first tranche of US\$22,500 to the Andean Community. Two requests for submission of progress reports on the project have been made on 21 September 2000 and 22 March 2001.
- 244. On 31 July 2003, the Andean Community secretariat informed that the first phase of the project, related to the development of an Andean Trademarks Consultation System, has been completed. The second phase will be aimed at developing interconnecting modules between or among the intellectual property administrations of Bolivia and Ecuador and Venezuela.
- 245. On 3 June 2004, the Andean Community secretariat requested a modification of the originally approved project activities and a budget revision, in order to carry out the second phase of the project. This revision entails modifications in the various cost items of the project budget within the existing total approved contribution to the project, namely US\$50,000. Other inputs to the project are the contribution by the Andean Community secretariat, which was increased to US\$60,815.

- 246. The Committee considered that the proposed modification to the project activities, including the budget revision for the second phase, would result in a more meaningful project for the benefit of the participating countries and approved the project activities modification and budget revision. The Committee requested the Office of the Chairman to inform the Andean Community secretariat and the UNDP of this decision.
- 247. The Andean Community secretariat submitted in April 2005 a progress report on expenditure incurred so far. The project document was revised in accordance with the Committee's approval and sent on 6 May 2005 to the country office in Peru for implementation and disbursement of the second tranche.
- 248. The UNDP established an ASL (Approved Spending Limit) for US\$ 22,755 on 27 March 2006.
- 249. On 9 May 2007, the UNDP requested the country office in Peru to provide information on the status of implementation of this project. The UNDP country office was informed by the Andean Community secretariat that there have been some delays in the implementation due to the departure of the person in charge of the project, but that an official letter would be issued shortly stating the alternative arrangements put in place as well as the renewed commitment of the Andean Community to the project. This letter was received on 30 July 2007.

(5) Regional remote sensing activities

250. <u>Submitter</u>: Southern African Development Community (SADC), based in Gaborone, Botswana

Subcontractor: Not required

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 14 member countries (Angola, Botswana, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, South

Africa, Swaziland, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, and Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$50,000 Other inputs: US\$400,000 Number: INT/98/K12 Duration: 2 years

<u>Approval</u>: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by SADC on 27

October 1999 and by UNDP on 3 January 2000

- 251. On 23 June 2000 the UNDP authorized its Resident Representative in Botswana to disburse US\$45,000 (90% of the PGTF allocation) to SADC. A request for a submission of progress and financial reports was made on 22 March 2001 and a reminder was sent by the UNDP in July 2002. No further information has been received on the status of this project.
- 252. At its nineteenth meeting in 2004, the Committee requested the UNDP to follow up on this project. On 16 June 2005 the UNDP sent a new request for submission of the outstanding reports to the UNDP country office in Botswana and to SADC. Since no reply has been received so far to these inquiries, the Committee requested the UNDP to follow up on this matter.
- (6) Establishment of a statistical service unit and access of World Bank live database

253. <u>Submitter</u>: Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity, with headquarters in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Subcontractor: Not required

Priority area: Information exchange

Participating/beneficiary countries: All 53-member states of the African Union

PGTF input: US\$80,000 Other inputs: US\$1,206,690 Number: INT/98/K14 Duration: 3 years

<u>Approval</u>: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by OAU/AEC on 31

December 1998 and by UNDP on 19 January 1999

- 254. On 10 July 2000, the UNDP authorized its Resident Representative in Ethiopia to disburse US\$72,000 (90% of the PGTF allocation) to the OAU Secretariat. On 7 June 2001, a request was made for submission of progress report and financial statement and a reminder was sent by the UNDP in July 2002. No further information has been received on the status of this project.
- 255. At its nineteenth meeting in 2004, the Committee requested the UNDP to follow up on this project. On 30 June 2005 the UNDP sent a request for a progress report to the UNDP country office in Ethiopia. Since no reply has been received so far, the Committee requested UNDP to send a reminder on the subject.
- 256. On 13 June 2007, the UNDP sent a reminder to the country office in Ethiopia, which indicated that it was unable to help and referred the request to the focal point at the African Union Secretariat. On 10 July 2007, the UNDP sent a message to the focal point requesting information on the status of the project.

(7) Macro-economic and sectoral cooperation programme

257. Submitter: Secretariat of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS),

based in Lagos, Nigeria Subcontractor: Not required

Priority area: Trade

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 16 member countries (Benin, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Côte d'Ivoire, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria,

Senegal, Sierra Leone, and Togo)

PGTF input: US\$100,000 Other inputs: US\$194,000 Number: INT/98/K15 Duration: 1 year

<u>Approval</u>: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by ECOWAS

secretariat on 29 December 1999 and by UNDP on 3 November 1999.

- 258. On 26 June 2000, the UNDP authorized its Resident Representative in Nigeria to disburse the first tranche of US\$50,000 to ECOWAS. On 22 March 2001, a request was made for submission of progress report and financial statement and a reminder was sent by UNDP in July 2002. No further information has been received on the status of this project.
- 259. At its nineteenth meeting in 2004, the Committee requested the UNDP to follow up on this project. On 30 June 2005 the UNDP sent a request for a progress report to the UNDP country office in Nigeria and to ECOWAS. Since no reply has been received so far, the Committee requested to the UNDP to follow up on this matter.

260. The Committee recommended that a final request be sent to the UNDP country office in Nigeria and to ECOWAS regarding the status of implementation of the project. If no further progress is achieved by 31 December 2007, the Committee recommended the operational closing of the project and reverting to PGTF of the unspent balance (US\$ 50,000) of the original allocation.

(8) Setting up a common framework for managing shared island fisheries resources in the COMESA region

261. <u>Submitter</u>: Secretariat of the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA),

based in Lusaka, Zambia Subcontractor: Not required

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 20 member countries (Angola, Burundi, Comoros, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Egypt, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Namibia, Rwanda, Seychelles, Sudan, Swaziland, Uganda, Zambia, and

Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$38,000 Other inputs: US\$120,000 Number: INT/99/K04 Duration: Two years.

<u>Approval</u>: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by UNDP on 9

November 2000 and by the Secretary-General of COMESA on 9 March 2001

- 262. On 5 July 2001, the UNDP authorized the country office in Zambia to disburse US\$34,200 to COMESA. A request for a progress report and financial statement was sent to the UNDP country office in Zambia and COMESA in July 2002.
- 263. The Committee requested the UNDP to follow up on this project. An inquiry on the status of the project, progress report and financial statement was sent to UNDP country office in Zambia and to COMESA on 14 June 2005.
- 264. Following contradictory claims by the UNDP and the implementing institution regarding disbursements of funds, the UNDP country office in Zambia was requested to provide clarifications on the situation. A reminder to this end was sent by the UNDP on 25 July 2006 and 13 June 2007.
- 265. Since no reply has been received, the Committee recommended that the UNDP request the country office in Zambia to issue a strong letter to the implementing institution, including a request for reimbursement of funds if no adequate explanation is provided on the matter. In addition, the Committee recommended putting the project under query if the situation is not solved by 31 December 2007.

(9) Promotion of alternative energy resources in African countries parties to the CCD

266. <u>Submitter</u>: Governments of Botswana, Cameroon, Kenya and Niger Subcontractor: NGOs in Botswana, Cameroon, Kenya and Niger

Priority area: Energy

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Botswana, Cameroon, Kenya, and Niger)

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$135,000 Number: INT/99/K12 <u>Duration</u>: One year.

<u>Approval</u>: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Governments of Botswana, Cameroon, Kenya and Niger on 6 June 2000 and by the UNDP on 3 May 2000.

- 267. On 13 July 2000, the UNDP authorized a disbursement of US\$22,500 to the sub-contractor. Submission of the progress report was requested on 6 April 2001 and a reminder was faxed on 2 May 2001.
- 268. Reauthorization of 90% disbursement requested to facilitate project implementation. On 29 July 2002, the UNDP office in Kenya disbursed funds to Botswana, Niger and Cameroon. A progress report was received on 14 October 2002.
- 269. On 21 June 2004 the UNDP sent a request for a progress report and financial statement. A progress report was received on 28 June 2004.
- 270. Following a request for reports from the UNDP, on 16 June 2005 the UNDP country office in Kenya informed that the NGO in Botswana did not receive the approved funds and that, due to the delay involved, a new authorization from UNDP headquarters was needed in order to make the disbursement to the NGO in Botswana.
- 271. In the light of the information provided, the Committee considered that since funds were disbursed to three NGOS (Cameroon, Kenya and Niger), these NGOs should submit progress reports of project activities undertaken so far, and requested the UNDP to forward this request to the country office in Kenya. With regard to project activities in Botswana, the Committee requested that the new authorization be issued only after a satisfactory update of project activities in this country be prepared and submitted to UNDP.
- 272. The sub-contractor for Kenya (the NGO Forest Action Network) submitted a progress report on 6 June 2006. The Committee requested UNDP to follow up on this project
- (10) Support to community pilot project in Algeria, Mali and Niger

273. <u>Submitter</u>: Governments of Algeria, Mali and Niger

<u>Subcontractor</u>: NGO "CARI" <u>Priority area</u>: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Algeria, Mali, and Niger)

PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$83,000 Number: INT/99/K13 Duration: Three years.

<u>Approval</u>: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Governments of Algeria, Mali and Niger on 23 April 2001 and by UNDP on 13 April 2000.

- 274. On 5 July 2001, the UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in Mali to disburse US\$31,500 to the subcontractor. A progress report was received on 14 October 2002.
- 275. No further information has been received and on 14 June 2005 the UNDP requested again a report on the status of the project. The Committee requested the UNDP to follow on this matter with the UNCCD Secretariat.

- 276. The Committee noted that the last progress report was received in October 2002 and expressed concern over the difficulties faced in obtaining reports on implementation of the project in spite of the repeated requests made. The Committee also noted a similar situation for four (4) other projects that have been implemented with the assistance of the UNCCD Secretariat, namely INT/99/K14, INT/00/K07, INT/00/K12 and INT/00/K13.
- 277. In the light of the above, the Committee recommended that the Chairman of the Group of 77 approaches directly the UNCCD Secretariat and requests its cooperation in assisting the implementing NGOs in preparing the required reports for these five projects, the activities of which should already have been completed given the time elapsed since the beginning of their implementation.

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

278. <u>Submitter</u>: Governments of Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger Subcontractor: Association Walte Edjef and NGO Tassaght

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Burkina Faso, Mali, and Niger)

PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$140,000 Number: INT/99/K14 Duration: 3 years

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999)

Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the

Governments of Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger on 22 May 2000 and by UNDP on 14 April

2000

- 279. On 28 June 2000 the UNDP authorized its Resident Representative in Burkina Faso to disburse US\$31,500 (90% of the PGTF contribution) to the project. A request for a progress report was sent on 6 April 2001 and a reminder was faxed on 2 May 2001. Follow up with UNCCD on 30 July 2002. A progress report was received on 14 October 2002.
- 280. No further information has been received and on 14 June 2005 the UNDP requested again a report on the status of the project. The Committee requested the UNDP to follow on this matter with the UNCCD Secretariat.
- 281. The same course of action recommended by the Committee for project INT/99/K13 (cf. paragraph 277) would be adopted for this project.

(12) EPPP - Electronic Prototype Production Project in Ethiopia

282. Submitter: The National Scientific Equipment Centre (NSEC) of the Ethiopian

Science and Technology Commission

Subcontractor: NSEC Priority area: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Ethiopia, United Republic of Tanzania, and

Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$40,000 Other inputs: US\$200,000 Number: INT/00/K02 Duration: Two years. <u>Approval</u>: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Government of Ethiopia on 12 April 2001 and by the UNDP on 1 February 2001.

- 283. On 15 May 2001, the UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in Ethiopia to disburse US\$36,000 to the sub-contractor and the disbursement was made on 21 May 2001. A request for a progress report and financial statement was sent by the UNDP in July 2002.
- 284. On 26 August 2002, the subcontractor replied that the project activities have been rescheduled to take place from August 2002 to July 2003. No PGTF resources had been expended for this project as of August 2002. The Committee recommended that a request for a progress report and financial statement be sent to the subcontractor.
- 285. Requests for progress reports and financial statements were sent by the UNDP in August and October 2003 and on 8 and 18 June 2004. At its nineteenth meeting in 2004, the Committee requested the UNDP to continue its follow-up on this matter.
- 286. The sub-contractor, NSEC, informed on 16 June 2005 that the project was still to be implemented due to several reasons, which mainly related to the unavailability of funds from other sources (estimated at US\$200,000) intended to be used for acquisition of equipment, and to changes in management at NSEC that created an information gap and slowed down progress in the project. According to the NSEC report, disbursed funds (US\$36,000) were held in local currency at a government held account and, even though there had been no expenditures, due to currency fluctuations the amount available was equivalent to US\$34,740.
- 287. NSEC submitted a proposal to restructure the project, where in essence activities have been scaled down to take care of fewer overall resources. In the light of the information submitted, the Committee at its twentieth meeting was of the view that the sub-contractor should resubmit a new draft project document on the basis of the proposed restructuring of the project. However, in the proposal submitted by NSEC there is no clear indication of funds coming from other sources, which according to guideline A(m) for utilization of PGTF should be at least equal to PGTF contribution. Therefore, approval of the revised project document was subject to the condition that the sub-contractor clearly identified and secured funds from other sources of at least US\$ 40,000, which is the amount allocated by PGTF to this project.
- 288. Following the recommendation of the Committee, NSEC submitted a revised draft project document. In particular, the Committee was of the view that the proposed other sources' input (US\$ 100,000) was reasonable, both in size and structure, and therefore it complied with the proviso established by the Committee. The Government of Ethiopia and the UNDP signed the revised project document respectively on 24 February 2006 and on 1 March 2006, thereby restarting implementation of the project.
- 289. The subcontractor submitted a progress report on 14 June 2007.
- (13) Sustainable Management of Agro forest resources in Amazon Border Areas of Brazil, Colombia and Peru
- 290. <u>Submitter</u>: Peruvian Technical Unit (UTP) in the National Institute for Development

(INADE) of Peru

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>PGTF input</u>: US\$45,000 <u>Other inputs</u>: US\$75,000 Number: INT/00/K03 Duration: One year.

<u>Approval</u>: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Government of Peru on 25 May 2001 and by the UNDP on 4 December 2000.

- 291. On 5 July 2001, the UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in Peru to disburse US\$40,500 to the subcontractor.
- 292. The Committee was informed that the subcontractor would submit a request to the UNDP country office for rescheduling of the project activities and changing the participating institution from Brazil, since the original one had been dissolved. Implementation of the project started on 7 November 2003.
- 293. The sub-contractor submitted a progress report and financial statement on 9 June 2004. On 10 May 2005 UNDP requested submission of a progress report and a reminder was sent on 22 May 2006.
- (14) Transborder Pilot Project in Mali, Burkina Faso and Niger (Azaouak)

294. <u>Submitter</u>: Governments of Mali, Burkina Faso and Niger

Subcontractor: NGOs (ABC Ecologie in Niger and "ACAS" in Mali)

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Mali, Burkina, and Niger)

PGTF input: US\$33,000 Other inputs: US\$74,800 Number: INT/00/K07 Duration: Three years

<u>Approval</u>: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000). <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Executive Secretary of CILSS on behalf of the Governments of Mali, Niger and Burkina Faso on 9 April

2001 and by the UNDP on 18 January 2001

- 295. On 5 July 2001, the UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in Burkina Faso to disburse US\$29,700 to the sub-contractors. Follow up with UNCCD Secretariat in July 2002. A progress report was received on 14 October 2002.
- 296. Requests for a progress report and financial statement were sent by the UNDP on 20 August 2003, 19 June 2004 and 1 November 2004. UNCCD Secretariat acknowledged request on 11 May and 14 June 2005 and promised to send progress reports. A new request for a progress report was sent to UNCCD Secretariat on 24 May 2006.
- 297. The same course of action recommended by the Committee for project INT/99/K13 (cf. paragraph 277) would be adopted for this project.
- (--) Support to the Committee of Experts of PGTF (Phase III)

298. <u>Submitter</u>: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 in New York

PGTF input: US\$111,236

Other inputs: Nil Number: INT/00/K08 Duration: Four years

Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 3 October 1990)

<u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Chairman of the Group of 77 on 20 June 2001 and by the UNDP on 7 June 2001

- 299. This project corresponds to a continuation of project INT/90/K08, and allocated funds come from the re-allocation of the remaining balance of project INT/90/K08 approved in October 1990 (US\$101,236) plus a budget increase of US\$10,000 approved in September 1999. As such, it should not be counted as an additional new project in the follow-up of the implementation of approved projects.
- 300. A request for disbursement of US\$20,480 to cover expenses related to the holding of the Sixteenth Meeting of the Committee of Experts of PGTF was made by the Chairman of the Group of 77 on 22 June 2001. Funds were received on 29 June 2001. The Office of the Chairman submitted a financial statement on 28 December 2001.
- 301. A request for disbursement of US\$20,480 to cover expenses related to the holding of the Seventeenth Meeting of the Committee of Experts of PGTF was made by the Chairman of the Group of 77 on 10 May 2002. Funds were received on 16 July 2002. The Office of the Chairman submitted a financial statement on 13 December 2002.
- 302. The Office of the Chairman requested on 12 December 2002 a disbursement of US\$22,700 to cover expenses related to the holding of the First Special Meeting of the Committee of Experts. Funds were received on 11 March 2003. The Office of the Chairman submitted a financial statement on 27 December 2003.
- 303. On 6 April 2004, the Office of the Chairman requested a disbursement of US\$22,700 to cover expenses related to the holding of the Nineteenth Meeting of the Committee of Experts of PGTF. Funds were received on 6 July 2004. The Office of the Chairman submitted a financial statement on 22 December 2004.
- 304. On 5 July 2005, the Office of the Chairman requested a disbursement of US\$22,700 to cover expenses related to the holding of the Twentieth Meeting of the Committee of Experts of PGTF. Funds were received on 15 July 2005. The Office of the Chairman submitted a financial statement on 21 December 2005.
- 305. The Office of the Chairman submitted a financial statement on 6 December 2006. On the same date, the Office of the Chairman requested a disbursement of US\$ 30,000 to cover expenses related to the Twenty-second Meeting of the Committee of Experts of PGTF. Funds were received on 24 April 2007.
- (15) Strengthening the livelihood of women potters associations, in order to fight against pressure on natural resources and rural poverty

306. Submitter: Governments of Burkina Faso, Ghana and Togo

<u>Subcontractor</u>: NGOs "ABC Ecologie" in Niger and "ACAS" in Mali Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Burkina Faso, Ghana, and Togo)

PGTF input: US\$10,000 Other inputs: US\$20,300 Number: INT/00/K12 Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000).

<u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Executive Secretary of CILSS on behalf of the Governments of Burkina Faso, Ghana and Togo on 9 April 2001 and by the UNDP on 18 January 2001.

- 307. On 5 July 2001, the UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in Burkina Faso to disburse US\$9,000 to the subcontractor. Follow up with UNCCD Secretariat in July 2002. A progress report was received on 14 October 2002.
- 308. A request for a progress report and financial statement was sent by the UNDP on 20 August 2003 and reminders were sent on 19 June 2004 and 1 November 2004. UNCCD Secretariat acknowledged request on 11 May and 14 June 2005 and promised to send progress reports. A new request for a progress report was sent to UNCCD Secretariat on 24 May 2006.
- 309. The same course of action recommended by the Committee for project INT/99/K13 (cf. paragraph 277) would be adopted for this project.
- (16) Transborder Pilot Project in Mali, Mauritania and Senegal

310. Submitter: Governments of Mali, Mauritania and Senegal

Subcontractor: Local NGOs

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Mali, Mauritania, and Senegal)

PGTF input: US\$33,000 Other inputs: US\$224,000 Number: INT/00/K13 Duration: Three (3) years

<u>Approval</u>: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000). <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Executive Secretary of CILSS on behalf of the Governments of Mali, Mauritania and Senegal on 9 April

2001 and by the UNDP on 18 January 2001

- 311. On 5 July 2001, the UNDP authorized the UNDP country office in Burkina Faso to disburse US\$29,700 to the subcontractor. Follow up with UNCCD Secretariat in July 2002. A progress report was received on 14 October 2002.
- 312. A request for a progress report and financial statement was sent by the UNDP on 20 August 2003 and reminders were sent on 19 June 2004 and 1 November 2004. UNCCD Secretariat acknowledged request on 11 May and 14 June 2005 and promised to send progress reports. A new request for a progress report was sent to UNCCD Secretariat on 24 May 2006.
- 313. The same course of action recommended by the Committee for project INT/99/K13 (cf. paragraph 277) would be adopted for this project.
- (17) Support to the Coordinating Secretariat of the Zambia-Malawi-Mozambique Growth Triangle for the Implementation of the ZMM-GT
- 314. <u>Submitter</u>: Zambia Investment Centre

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Malawi, Mozambique, and Zambia)

PGTF input: US\$70,000

Other inputs: US\$95,000 Number: INT/03/K01 Duration: One year

<u>Approval</u>: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by both the

Government of Zambia and by the UNDP on 24 January 2003.

- 315. On 30 April 2003 the UNDP authorized disbursement of US\$63,000 to the subcontractor (90 percent of the allocated resources). The authorization indicated that disbursement should be made in two tranches.
- 316. The sub-contractor has submitted progress reports on 4 June 2004 and 22 February 2005. A second tranche of US\$ 29,000 was disbursed on 11 May 2006.
- 317. The subcontractor submitted a progress report on 15 June 2007.
- (18) Prevention in Peru and Control Programme in Bolivia and Brazil against Anthonomus Grandis Boheman "The Mexican Cotton Boll Weevil"
- 318. Submitter: National Agricultural Health Service (SENASA) from Peru

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Bolivia, Brazil, and Peru)

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$25,000 Number: INT/03/K04 Duration: Twelve months

<u>Approval</u>: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of

Peru on 11 July 2003 and by UNDP on 2 May 2003

- 319. On 14 October 2003 the UNDP authorized disbursement of US\$22,500 to SENASA (90% of allocated resources). The sub-contractor submitted progress reports on 20 July 2004, 10 May 2005 and 26 July 2006.
- 320. The sub-contractor submitted a progress report on 18 June 2007.
- (19) Caribbean Postgraduate Center
- 321. <u>Submitter</u>: Universidad de Oriente (East University) from Cuba

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Cuba, Dominican Republic, and Mexico)

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$111,500 Number: INT/03/K10 Duration: Two (2) years

<u>Approval</u>: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

<u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Government of

Cuba on 25 February 2005 and by the UNDP on 8 March 2005

- 322. On 14 October 2003, the UNDP sent to the country office in Cuba the project document as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$22,500 (90% of allocated resources).
- 323. The ASL (Approved Spending Limit) for disbursement of funds was established on 18 March 2005. A request for a progress report was sent by the UNDP on 22 May 2006 and a reminder was sent on 9 May 2007. The Committee requested the UNDP t follow up on this matter.
- (20) Development of water resources in the Badia region as an example of arid regions

324. <u>Submitter</u>: Al al-Bayt University from Jordan

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Jordan, Palestine, and Syrian Arab Republic)

PGTF input: US\$70,000 Other inputs: US\$643,640 Number: INT/03/K11 Duration: Twelve months

<u>Approval</u>: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Government of

Jordan on 1 April 2003 and by the UNDP on 17 January 2003

- 325. On 19 May 2003 the UNDP authorized disbursement of US\$63,000 to the subcontractor (90 percent of the allocated resources). The authorization was sent on 17 September 2003 and indicated that disbursement should be made in a two tranches.
- 326. The subcontractor submitted so far two progress reports, the first on 3 April 2005 and the second on 4 January 2006.
- (21) Strengthening South-South Africa/Asia/Latin America and the Caribbean Cooperation for Economic and Social Integration
- 327. <u>Submitter</u>: The Latin American Economic System (SELA) Permanent Secretariat, based in

Caracas, Venezuela

Subcontractor: Not required

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 9 countries (Cameroon, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Kenya,

Peru, South Africa, Uruguay, and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$40,000 Other inputs: US\$92,000 Number: INT/03/K14 Duration: Twelve months

<u>Approval</u>: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by SELA on 18 March 2003 and by the UNDP on 19 February 2003.

- 328. On 30 April 2003 the UNDP authorized disbursement of US\$36,000 to SELA (90 percent of the allocated resources). The authorization indicated that disbursement should be made in a two tranches.
- 329. A request for submission of progress and financial reports was sent by the UNDP on 4 June 2004 and SELA Permanent Secretariat submitted progress and financial reports on 25 January 2005. According to the report, US\$ 8,857 out of the initial disbursement of US\$ 18,000 has been spent on project activities.

- 330. On 31 May 2006, SELA Permanent Secretariat submitted a request for reprogramming of the project. Total cost of the outstanding activities would be US\$ 63,643, and inputs to be funded by PGTF would amount to US\$ 31,143, i.e. the balance of the original allocation of US\$ 40,000. SELA contribution to fund the reprogrammed activities would be US\$ 32,500, coming from its 2006 budget. These activities include (a) a meeting of international cooperation directors for Latin America and the Caribbean, with participation of African and Asian representatives, and (b) a workshop for international cooperation focal points in Latin America and the Caribbean, Africa and Asia. Both activities would take place during 2006.
- 331. In the light of the documentation submitted, the Committee considered that the revised project complied with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and therefore approved SELA request for reprogramming the project. The Committee requested the Office of the Chairman to inform SELA and the UNDP of its decision in this regard. SELA should then submit a revised project document to the UNDP so as to proceed with implementation of the project. Disbursement of funds up to the unspent balance of 90 percent of the original allocation (i.e. US\$ 27,143) should be made in one single tranche.
- 332. On 9 July 2007 SELA submitted a revised schedule of outstanding activities of the project, to be carried out 2007 and requested disbursement of the second tranche of US\$ 18,000. The ASL (Approved Spending Limit) to his end was established on 20 July 2007.
- (22) Development and strengthening of mechanisms for solving conflicts on shared natural resources in the Karamajong ecosystem in East Africa
- 333. <u>Submitter</u>: UNCCD Secretariat on behalf of the governments of Kenya, Sudan and Uganda, as participating countries

<u>Subcontractor</u>: African Union – IBAR (Inter-African Bureau for Animal Resources), based in

Nairobi, Kenya

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Kenya, Sudan and Uganda)

PGTF input: US\$25,000

Other inputs: US\$25,000 (in-kind)

Number: INT/04/K08 Duration: One year

<u>Approval</u>: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2003) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Government of Kenya on 20 May 2005 and by the UNDP on 16 June 2005

- 334. On 21 April 2005, the UNDP sent to the country office in Kenya the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$22,500 (90% of allocated resources). The authorization indicated that disbursement should be made in a single tranche.
- 335. The Office of the Chairman observed that in the project document the contribution of other sources had been reduced to US\$ 15,000 from the original US\$ 25,000, and therefore it would be lower than the amount allocated from PGTF resources. Since this does not comply with the guidelines, the Office requested the UNDP to revise the document with the sub-contractor so as to ensure compliance. The sub-contractor submitted several revisions but there were still some inconsistencies that need to be solved before reauthorizing disbursement of funds.
- 336. On 25 July 2007, the subcontractor submitted a revised budget to UNDP, with the amendments required to ensure compliance with PGTF guidelines.

(23) Development of a technological package aimed at developing opto-mechanical industries in Latin America

337. Submitter: *Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú* (Pontifical Catholic University of Peru),

based in Lima, Peru

<u>Subcontractor</u>: same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Mexico and Peru)

PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$81,910 Number: INT/05/K04 Duration: Two (2) years

<u>Approval</u>: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 2004) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Government of

Peru on 20 December 2005 and by the UNDP on 21 December 2005

- 338. On 13 April 2005, the UNDP sent to the country office in Peru the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$31,500 (90% of allocated resources). The authorization indicated that disbursement should be made in two tranches.
- 339. In March 2006 an ASL (Approved Spending Limit) for disbursement of funds was established and on 22 May 2006 the UNDP sent a request for a progress report to the sub-contractor.
- 340. The sub-contractor submitted a progress report on 30 July 2007.
- (24) Exchange of Experiences of Export Trade Promotion Organizations in the Andean Region

341. Submitter: The Peruvian Trade Commission (PROMPEX), based in Lima, Peru

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Bolivia, Chile, Ecuador and Peru)

PGTF input: US\$27,500 Other inputs: US\$32,200 Number: INT/05/K05 Duration: Five (5) months

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of

Peru on (date to be established) and by the UNDP on (date to be established)

- 342. On 14 February 2005, the UNDP sent to the country office in Peru the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$24,750 (90% of allocated resources). The authorization indicated that disbursement should be made in a single tranche.
- 343. A request for a progress report was sent by the UNDP on 22 May 2006. The subcontractor submitted a progress report on 11 May 2007.
- (25) Latin American network for scientific and technical information on vaccines
- 344. <u>Submitter</u>: Finlay Institute Center for Research-Production of Vaccines, based in Havana, Cuba <u>Subcontractor</u>: same as above

<u>Priority area</u>: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador and El Salvador)

PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$303,958 Number: INT/05/K10 Duration: Two (2) years

<u>Approval</u>: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 2004) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Government of

Cuba on 29 March 2005 and by the UNDP on 13 April 2005

- 345. On 24 January 2005, the UNDP sent to the country office in Cuba the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$31,500 (90% of allocated resources). The authorization indicated that disbursement should be made in two tranches.
- 346. The ASL (Approved Spending Limit) for disbursement of funds was established on 18 April 2005 and a request for a progress report was sent by the UNDP on 22 May 2006. The subcontractor submitted a progress report on 10 January 2007.
- (26) Yeast and yeast derivative production from cheese whey (YEWHEY)
- 347. <u>Submitter</u>: "Universidad Nacional de Quilmes" based in Buenos Aires, Argentina

<u>Subcontractor</u>: same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Food and agriculture

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 4 countries (Argentina, Costa Rica, El Salvador and Mexico)

PGTF input: US\$30,000 Other inputs: US\$347,000 Number: INT/06/K04

Duration: Twelve (12) months

<u>Approval</u>: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)

<u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Government of Argentina on (date to be established) and by the UNDP on (date to be established)

- 348. On 6 December 2005, the UNDP sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$27,000 (90% of allocated resources).
- 349. The ASL (Approved Spending Limit) for disbursement of funds was established in March 2006.
- 350. A request for a progress report was sent on 9 May 2007. The Committee requested the UNDP to follow up on this matter.
- (27) Creation of a rainwater-harvesting model
- 351. <u>Submitter</u>: Caribbean Council for Science and Technology (CCST) based in Trinidad and Tobago

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Health

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 11 countries (Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Bahamas, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Martinique, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and Trinidad and Tobago)

PGTF input: US\$30,000

Other inputs: US\$35,000 Number: INT/06/K08

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of

Trinidad and Tobago and by the UNDP on 22 August 2006

- 352. On 19 January 2006, the UNDP sent to the country office in Trinidad and Tobago the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$27,000 (90% of allocated resources). The ASL (Approved Spending Limit) for disbursement of resources was established in March 2006.
- 353. On 17 May 2007 the subcontractor submitted a progress report.
- Harmonization of norms and procedures for agronomic evaluation of commercial varieties in (28)Peru, Colombia and Bolivia
- 354. Submitter: National Service of Agrarian Health (SENASA) from Peru

Subcontractor: same as above Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Bolivia, Colombia and Peru)

PGTF input: US\$30,000 Other inputs: US\$40,000 Number: INT/06/K09 Duration: Eight (8) months

Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of

Peru on (date to be established) and by the UNDP on (date to be established)

- 355. On 19 January 2006, the UNDP sent to the country office in Peru the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$27,000 (90% of allocated resources). The ASL (Approved Spending Limit) for disbursement of resources was established in March 2006.
- 356. The subcontractor submitted a progress report on 11 May 2007.
- (29)Training, consultation and awareness for small hydropower development in Mozambique, Uganda, Nigeria and Zimbabwe
- 357. Submitter: International Center on Small Hydropower (IC-SHP), based in Hangzhou, China Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Energy

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (China, Mozambique, Nigeria, Uganda, and

Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$40,840 Number: INT/06/K10

Duration: Fifteen (15) months

Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005) Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of China on (date to be established) and by the UNDP on (date to be established)

- 358. On 18 May 2006, the UNDP sent to the country office in China the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$31,500 (90% of allocated resources).
- 359. On 9 May 2007, the UNDP requested submission of a progress report.
- (30) Strengthening of coordination and cooperation among countries for the prevention of HIV/AIDS in the Americas region

360. Submitter: Ministry of Health of Jamaica

Subcontractor: Pan American Health Organization

Priority area: Health

Participating/beneficiary countries: 8 countries (Bahamas, Cuba, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti,

Honduras, Jamaica, and Nicaragua)

PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$78,000 Number: INT/06/K11

Duration: Twelve (12) months

<u>Approval</u>: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Government of Cuba on 9 June 2007 and by the UNDP on 11 June 2007

- 361. On 22 May 2006, the UNDP sent to the country office in Cuba the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$31,500 (90% of allocated resources).
- (31) Deployment of information retrieval systems towards Mercosur integration on WTO information related to technical barriers to trade
- 362. <u>Submitter</u>: National Institute on Metrology, Standardization and Industrial Quality (INMETRO), from Brazil

Subcontractor: Instituto Stela, an NGO based in Brazil

Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay)

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000 Other inputs: US\$ 70,000 Number: INT/07/K02

Duration: Seventeen (17) months

Approval: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2006)

Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Instituto Stela on (date to be established) and by the UNDP on (date to be established)

- 363. On 13 February 2007, the UNDP sent to the country office in Brazil the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 27,000 (90% of allocated resources).
- 364. The implementing institution informed through the UNDP country office that it was proposing to limit training only to INMETRO personnel, thus excluding training of personnel from institutions (INTI, LATU and Cedial) of the other three participating countries. Instituto Stela was informed that this change

was not acceptable since the amended project would not comply with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources. New developments are awaited on this matter.

(32) Enhanced diagnostic capacity and control measures of some trans-boundary animal diseases with emphasis on pathology and epidemiology of Johne's disease and para-tuberculosis in Jordan, Egypt and Algeria

365. <u>Submitter</u>: Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST), based in Irbid City, Jordan

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Health

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Algeria, Egypt and Jordan)

PGTF input: US\$ 33,000 Other inputs: US\$ 35,000 Number: INT/07/K05

Duration: Twelve (12) months

<u>Approval</u>: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2006) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Government of

Jordan on 2 April 2007 and by the UNDP on 4 April 2007

366. On 13 February 2007, the UNDP sent to the country office in Jordan the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 29,700 (90% of allocated resources).

- (33) Building National Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) capacity of developing countries to effectively harness small hydropower
- 367. Submitter: International Center of Small Hydropower (ICSHP), based in Hangzhou, China,

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Energy

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, China, Nigeria, and Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$ 33,000 Other inputs: US\$ 50,360 Number: INT/07/K06

Duration: Twelve (12) months

<u>Approval</u>: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2006) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Government of the People's Republic of China on (date to be established) and by the UNDP on (date to be established)

- 368. On 11 June 2007, the UNDP sent to the country office in the People's Republic of China the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 29,700 (90% of allocated resources).
- (34) International cooperation of computational intelligence study and research exchange in city information management
- 369. <u>Submitter</u>: The Tongji University based in Shanghai, China and the Shanghai Regional Cooperation Office for City Informatization

Subcontractor: The Tongji University

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, Malaysia, Turkey, and Viet Nam)

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000 Other inputs: US\$ 50,000 Number: INT/07/K07

Duration: Twelve (12) months

<u>Approval</u>: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2006) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Government of the People's Republic of China on (date to be established) and by the UNDP on (date to be established)

- 370. On 11 June 2007, the UNDP sent to the country office in the People's Republic of China the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 27,000 (90% of allocated resources).
- (35) Training and transfer of sea buckthorn technology to enhance the sustainable development of developing countries
- 371. <u>Submitter</u>: The International Center for Research and Training on Sea Buckthorn (ICRTS), based in Beijing, China

<u>Subcontractor</u>: same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (China, India, Mongolia, Nepal, Romania, Russia,

and Ukraine)

PGTF input: US\$ 32,000 Other inputs: US\$ 40,000 Number: INT/07/K08

Duration: Twelve (12) months

<u>Approval</u>: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2006) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Government of the People's Republic of China on (date to be established) and by the UNDP on (date to be established)

- 372. On 11 June 2007, the UNDP sent to the country office in the People's Republic of China the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 28,800 (90% of allocated resources).
- (36) Appropriate construction technologies, basic environmental drainage and alternative energies: Amazonian experiences as a basis for implementing the "Red de Tecnologías Apropiadas de la Amazonia (RETAM) – Amazonian Network of Appropriate Technologies"
- 373. <u>Submitter</u>: FUNDABITAT, a non-governmental organization based in Caracas, Venezuela Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 8 countries (Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana,

Peru, and Suriname)
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 206,952
Number: INT/07/K10
Duration: Two (2) years

<u>Approval</u>: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2006) <u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the Government of

Venezuela on (date to be established) and by the UNDP on (date to be established)

374. On 14 June 2007, the UNDP sent to the country office in Venezuela the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 27,000 (90% of allocated resources).

B. Projects under preparation still to be implemented

375. A total of six (6) projects were under preparation as of the date of the Twenty-second Meeting of the Committee of Experts. These are three (3) of the ten projects approved by the 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group in September 2004 and three (3) of the ten projects approved by the 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group in September 2006. All projects approved in September 2005 by the 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group are either under implementation or have been completed.

(1) Technical studies for the improvement of the In-Guezam (Algeria)-Arlit (Niger) section of the trans-Saharan road

376. <u>Submitter</u>: Ministry of Public Works of Algeria

Subcontractor: SAETI, an engineering company SAETI from Algeria in association with the

company Art et Genie from Niger

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Algeria, Niger and Nigeria)

<u>PGTF input</u>: US\$35,000

Other inputs: US\$1,004,000 (estimated)

Number: INT/05/K07 Duration: One year

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

- 377. On 21 October 2004, the Chairman of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. The submitting entity forwarded a hard copy of the draft project document to the UNDP on 5 April 2005. An electronic copy has been requested in order to finalize the project document and send to the country office for signature, establishment of the ASL (approved spending limit) and subsequent disbursements of funds.
- 378. The Committee was informed that the electronic copy was being prepared so as to finalize the project document, but no electronic copy has been received by late July 2007. Given that almost three years have elapsed since the approval of the project and no progress was achieved so far regarding implementation, the Committee recommended that a notice be sent to the submitter requesting finalization of the project document by 31 December 2007. Otherwise the project would be cancelled and allocated funds would revert to PGTF resources.

(2) Development and integration of the International Offices of the Ministries of health of South America

379. Submitter: Government of Brazil

Subcontractor: to be awarded if required

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Paraguay and

Uruguay)

PGTF input: US\$18,200

Other inputs: US\$19,000 (estimated)

Number: INT/05/K08 Duration: Four (4) months

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

- 380. On 21 October 2004, the Chairman of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF.
- 381. Project sponsors submitted a draft project document to UNDP on 20 July 2005. Consultations are still underway with the UNDP aimed at defining the source of matching funds for the project, and information on this matter was sent to the Office of the Chairman on 6 June 2006.
- 382. The Committee was informed that the matter is still pending by late-July 2007. Given that almost three years have elapsed since the approval of the project and no progress was achieved so far regarding implementation, the Committee recommended that a notice be sent to the submitter requesting finalization of the project document by 31 December 2007. Otherwise the project would be cancelled and allocated funds would revert to PGTF resources.

(3) Extension course on Technological Innovation Management

383. <u>Submitter</u>: The Brazilian Association of Technological Research Institutions (ABIPTI), based in

Brasilia, Brazil

<u>Subcontractor</u>: same as above Priority area: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay)

<u>PGTF input</u>: US\$24,500

Other inputs: US\$24,665 (estimated)

Number: INT/05/K09

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

- 384. On 21 October 2004, the Chairman of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF.
- 385. In January 2005, a draft project document was submitted by ABIPTI for review by the UNDP. It was sent back in April 2005 to the implementing agency for translation and budget lines to be revised so that project total is consistent with the amount allocated by PGTF.
- 386. The Committee was informed that the project document was still to be finalized by late-July 2007. Given that almost three years have elapsed since the approval of the project and no progress was achieved so far regarding implementation, the Committee recommended that a notice be sent to the submitter requesting finalization of the project document by 31 December 2007. Otherwise the project would be cancelled and allocated funds would revert to PGTF resources.

(4) Training of experts on standardization and metrology of developing countries

387. <u>Submitter</u>: State Administration for Quality Management of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Subcontractor: same as above

<u>Priority area</u>: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Cambodia, Democratic People's Republic of

Korea, Lao People's Democratic Republic, and Nepal)

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000 Other inputs: US\$ 41,000 Number: INT/07/K03

<u>Duration</u>: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2006)

388. On 9 January 2007, the UNDP sent to the country office in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 27,000 (90% of allocated resources). Signature of the project document is still pending.

(5) Training of maize breeding experts for the effective use of maize genetic resources of developing countries

389. <u>Submitter</u>: Academy of Agricultural Sciences of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

<u>Subcontractor</u>: same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Democratic People's Republic of Korea,

Ethiopia, Guinea, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania)

PGTF input: US\$ 34,000 Other inputs: US\$ 42,000 Number: INT/07/K04

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2006)

390. On 9 January 2007, the UNDP sent to the country office in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 30,600 (90% of allocated resources). Signature of the project document is still pending.

(6) Environmentally friendly integrated production of sugar and by-products

391. <u>Submitter</u>: The National University of Tucuman based in Tucuman, Argentina

<u>Subcontractor</u>: same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Industrialization

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Cuba, and Mexico)

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000

Other inputs: US\$ 157,000 (estimated)

Number: INT/07/K09 Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2006)

392. On 26 September 2006, the Chairman of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. No draft project document has been received as of 31 July 2007.

C.	Projects	under	auerv

393. The Committee noted with satisfaction that no projects were under query	v as of end July	v 2007.
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V. OTHER MATTERS

394. The Committee agreed that the deadline for the submission of project proposals by Member States for consideration at its next regular session would be 30 April 2008, in accordance with the revised guidelines for utilization of PGTF. It is understood that the date of submission of proposals is the date when the Office of the Chairman officially receives them.

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INACTIVE PROJECTS

A. PROJECTS COMPLETED

1. Fifteen (15) projects were completed since the previous meeting of the Committee of Experts, bringing the total of completed projects to one hundred seven (107), as follows:

(1) Group of 77 Information Bulletin

2. Submitter: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 in New York

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Inter Press Service (IPS) Priority area: Information exchange

Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77

PGTF input: US\$109,520 Other inputs: US\$51,120 Number: INT/88/K01 Duration: Four (4) years

Approval: IFCC-VI (Havana, 7-12 September 1987) and IFCC-VII (Kuala Lumpur, 31 July-5 August

1989) for one-year extension Completion: 31 December 1990.

(2) Feasibility study on development of developing countries' consultancy and engineering capacities

3. <u>Submitter</u>: International Centre for Public Enterprises in Developing Countries (ICPE) and International

Association of State Trading Organizations of Developing Countries (ASTRO), based in former

Yugoslavia (Slovenia)
<u>Subcontractor</u>: Not required

<u>Priority area</u>: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77

PGTF input: US\$70,000 Other inputs: Nil. Number: INT/88/K03 Duration: Six (6) months

Approval: IFCC-VI (Havana, 7-12 September 1987)

Completion: Feasibility report circulated to Member States on 2 November 1989.

(3) Action Committee of G-77 for Cooperation in Consultancy, Construction and Engineering among Developing Countries

4. <u>Submitter</u>: Action Committee for Cooperation in Consultancy, Construction and Engineering (Havana, Cuba)

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 12 countries (Angola, Brazil, Cuba, Ethiopia, Grenada, Guinea, Jamaica, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Sao Tome and Principe, and Viet Nam)

PGTF input: US\$38,500 Other inputs: US\$38,500 Number: INT/88/K04 Duration: Six (6) months

Approval: IFCC-VI (Havana, 7-12 September 1987)

Completion: Final Report circulated to Member States on 16 June 1993.

(4) Feasibility study on information system on technologies and projects (ISTP)

5. Submitter: Centre for International Cooperation and Development (CICD) of former Yugoslavia (Slovenia)

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Information exchange

Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77

PGTF input: US\$45,450 Other inputs: US\$20,000 Number: INT/89/K01 Duration: Six (6) months

Approval: 12th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28-30 September 1988)

Completion: Feasibility report circulated to Member States on 24 October 1990.

(5) Technical Cooperation among Member States of SELA in the Field of Artificial insemination and embryo transplant

6. Submitter: Latin American Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Not required Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries (Brazil, Chile, Cuba, Ecuador, Guyana, Mexico,

Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$83,700 Other inputs: US\$202,000 Number: INT/89/K03

<u>Duration</u>: Two years and four months

Approval: 12th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28-30 September 1988)

Completion: Final report submitted on 12 February 1993.

(6) Cooperation among developing countries' consultancy and engineering design organizations for better access and position in international consultancy and engineering market

7. <u>Submitter</u>: International Center for Public Enterprises of Developing Countries (ICPE) and International

Association of State Trading Organizations of Developing Countries (ASTRO), based in former

Yugoslavia (Slovenia)
<u>Subcontractor</u>: Not required

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77

PGTF input: US\$90,000 Other inputs: US\$9,000 Number: INT/89/K04

Duration: Eighteen (18) months

<u>Approval</u>: IFCC-VII (Kuala Lumpur, 31 July-5 August 1989) <u>Completion</u>: Final Report submitted on 4 January 1996

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

8. <u>Submitter</u>: Latin American Integration Association (ALADI) based in Montevideo, Uruguay

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Bolivia, Ecuador and Paraguay)

PGTF input: US\$120,000 Other inputs: US\$107,971 Number: INT/89/K05

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: IFCC-VII (Kuala Lumpur, 31 July-5 August 1989)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 7 April 1993

(8) Establishment of a Maghreb Unit in the National Center for Information and Economic Documentation (CNIDE) of Algeria

9. Submitter: Government of Algeria

Subcontractor: CNIDE

Priority area: Information exchange

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Algeria, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mauritania, Morocco,

and Tunisia)

PGTF input: US\$65,450 Other inputs: Nil. Number: INT/89/K06 Duration: One (1) year

<u>Approval</u>: IFCC-VII (Kuala Lumpur, 31 July-5 August 1989) <u>Completion</u>: Final Report submitted on 17 August 1993.

(9) Feasibility study for establishing a raw materials research and development center information system

10. Submitter: Government of Nigeria

Subcontractor: Raw Materials Research and Development Council of Nigeria

Priority area: Raw materials

Participating/beneficiary countries: 8 countries (Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Mali, Nigeria, Senegal, Togo, and

Uganda)

PGTF input: US\$100,000 Other inputs: Nil. Number: INT/89/K09

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 1989)

Completion: Feasibility Report submitted on 18 June 1996.

(10) Provision of consultancy services by CARICAD

11. Submitter: Caribbean Center for Development Administration (CARICAD) of Barbados

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 12 countries (Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, St. Kits and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and

Trinidad and Tobago)
PGTF input: US\$45,000
Other inputs: US\$200,000
Number: INT/89/K10
Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 1989)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 25 March 1994.

(11) Regional programme for cooperation and coordination on plant germ plasm

12. <u>Submitter</u>: Latin American Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela

Subcontractor: Not required

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 12 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Uruguay, and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$58,000 Other inputs: US\$309,200 Number: INT/89/K12 Duration: Two (2) years Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 1989)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 29 May 1998.

(12) South-North Development Monitor (SUNS)

13. <u>Submitter</u>: South Commission, based in Geneva, Switzerland

Subcontractor: Third World Network (TWN), from Penang, Malaysia

Priority area: Information exchange

Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77

PGTF input: US\$120,000 Other inputs: US\$164,000 Number: INT/89/K13 Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 1989)

Completion: 31 January 1992.

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

14. Submitter: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 in New York

Subcontractor: Not required PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: Nil. Number: INT/89/K14

<u>Duration</u>: One (1) week

Approval: IFCC-VII (Kuala Lumpur, 31 July-5 August 1989)

Completion: 19 August 1993.

(14) Integrated management of the associated resources to the mangrove areas in the Pacific coast of Central America

15. <u>Submitter</u>: National University of Costa Rica

Subcontractor: Foundation of Science, Art and Culture of the National University of Costa Rica (FUNA)

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua,

and Panama)

PGTF input: US\$84,800 Other inputs: US\$60,000 Number: INT/90/K01 Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 3 October 1990)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 9 December 1994.

(15) Recovery, preservation and dissemination of printed historical documentation of the 16th, 17th and 18th centuries in the Americas, existing in signatory countries of the Andres Bello Convention

16. Submitter: Autonomous Institute of the National Library of Venezuela

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Panama, Peru, and

Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$94,500 Other inputs: US\$154,188 Number: INT/90/K02 Duration: Three (3) years

Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 3 October 1990)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 15 December 1993

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

17. Submitter: Center for the Study of International Relations and Development (CERID) of Bolivia

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 19 countries (Afghanistan, Bolivia, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Central African Republic, Chad, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lesotho, Malawi, Mali, Nepal, Niger,

Paraguay, Rwanda, Swaziland, Uganda, Zambia, and Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$95,000 Other inputs: US\$23,800 Number: INT/90/K03 Duration: Nine (9) months

Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 3 October 1990)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 4 December 1995

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

18. <u>Submitter</u>: Center for the Study of International Relations and Development (CERID) of Bolivia.

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries (Argentina, Bahamas, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Cuba,

Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$78,000 Other inputs: US\$103,000 Number: INT/90/K04

Duration: Five and a half months

<u>Approval</u>: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 3 October 1990)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 13 August 1991

(18) Intensifying the utilization of operations research techniques in the management of agriculture development projects in ASEAN countries

19. Submitter: Department of Agriculture of Malaysia

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 member countries (Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia,

Philippines, Singapore, and Thailand)

PGTF input: US\$110,000 Other inputs: US\$191,000 Number: INT/90/K05 Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 3 October 1990)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 17 August 1993

(19) Organic rice farming system

20. Submitter: Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute (MARDI)

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 member countries (Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia,

Philippines, Singapore, and Thailand)

PGTF input: US\$85,000

Other inputs: US\$78,000 Number: INT/90/K06 Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 3 October 1990)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 16 September 1997

(20) Technical, secretariat and other support to the Global System on Trade Preferences among developing countries (GSTP), and technical assistance to countries participating in the GSTP

21. Submitter: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 in New York.

<u>Subcontractor</u>: UNCTAD Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: 44 countries (Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Cameroon, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ecuador, Egypt, Ghana, Guinea, Guyana, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Romania, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, United Republic of Tanzania,

Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia, and Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$350,000

Other inputs: Nil. Number: INT/90/K07

Duration: Sixteen (16) months

Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 1989)

Completion: Final Report distributed to Member States on 16 June 1993

(21) Support to the Committee of Experts of the Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund

22. Submitter: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 in New York

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Not required <u>PGTF input</u>: US\$224,800 <u>Other inputs</u>: Nil.

Number: INT/90/K08
Duration: Five (5) years

<u>Approval</u>: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 3 October 1990)

<u>Completion:</u> The final budget revision was submitted on 3 October 2000. Unspent funds for US\$111,236 were re-allocated to successor project INT/00/K08.

(22) Establishment of the Regional Business and Trade Information Network for Chambers of Commerce and Industry (CCI) of Developing Countries Members of the Group of 77

23. Submitter: Steering Committee of the Chambers of Commerce and Industry (CCI) of

Developing Countries Members of the Group of 77

Subcontractors: Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Mines of Cameroon; Chamber of Commerce of

Bogotá; and the Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry

Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77

PGTF input: US\$150,000 Other inputs: US\$270,000 Number: INT/91/K01 Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 15th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 1 October 1991)

<u>Completion</u>: Final Reports submitted respectively by the Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry on 29 May 1994, by the Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Mines of Cameroon on 28

March 1994, and by the Bogotá Chamber of Commerce on 15 June 1994

(23) Economic Integration in the Southern Cone Common Market

24. Submitter: Government of Argentina

Subcontractor: Centro de Investigaciones para la Transformación (CENIT)

Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay)

PGTF input: US\$88,000 Other inputs: Nil Number: INT/92/K01 Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 1 October 1992)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 6 April 1994

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

25. Submitter: Raul Prebisch Foundation, based in Argentina

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Finance

Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77

PGTF input: US\$60,700 Other inputs: US\$12,950 Number: INT/92/K02 Duration: Three (3) months

Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 1 October 1992)

Completion: Complete sets consisting of four volumes distributed in 1994 to the Permanent Missions of the

Group of 77 in New York.

(25) Technical, Secretariat and Other Support to the Global System of Trade Preferences among Developing Countries (GSTP), and Technical Assistance to Countries Participating in the GSTP

26. <u>Submitter</u>: Group of 77 in Geneva

<u>Subcontractor</u>: UNCTAD Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: 44 countries (Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Cameroon, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ecuador, Egypt, Ghana, Guinea, Guyana, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Romania, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, United Republic of Tanzania, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia, and Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$250,000

Other inputs: Nil.
Number: INT/92/K03
Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 1 October 1992)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 6 May 1994

(26) The development and use of a computer simulation model for supply, demand and prices of agricultural commodities in ASEAN countries

27. Submitter: Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Indonesia

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 member countries (Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia,

Philippines, Singapore, and Thailand)

PGTF input: US\$81,600

Other inputs: Nil.

Number: INT/92/K04 Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 1 October 1992)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 7 April 1994

(27) African Agency for Biotechnology (Phase I)

28. Submitter: Government of Algeria

Subcontractor: Secretariat of State for Scientific Research of Algeria (SERSA)

Priority area: Technology

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 16 countries (Algeria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Egypt, Ethiopia, Gabon, Ghana, Kenya, Mauritius, Morocco, Nigeria, Senegal, Tunisia, and

Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$150,000 Other inputs: Nil. Number: INT/92/K06 Duration: One (1) year)

Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 1 October 1992)

Completion: Final report and financial statement submitted on 25 July 2000

(28) African Agency for Biotechnology (Phase II)

29. <u>Submitter</u>: Government of Algeria

Subcontractor: Ministry of Universities and Scientific Research of Algeria (MDURSA)

Priority area: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 16 countries (Algeria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Egypt, Ethiopia, Gabon, Ghana, Kenya, Mauritius, Morocco, Nigeria, Senegal, Tunisia, and

Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$150,000

Other inputs: Nil.
Number: INT/93/K01
Duration: One (1) year

Approval: IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30 August-3 September 1993)

Completion: Final report and financial statement submitted on 25 July 2000.

(29) ECDC/TCDC Information Support to Group of 77 Chapters (Journal of the Group of 77)

30. <u>Submitter</u>: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 in New York

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Inter Press Service (IPS) Priority area: Information exchange

Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77

PGTF input: US\$51,120 Other inputs: US\$45,600 Number: INT/93/K02 Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 1 October 1992) and IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30

August-3 September 1993)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 20 December 1995

(30) Information Support to the Group of 77 Chapters - South-North Development Monitor (SUNS)

31. <u>Submitter</u>: Third World Network, based in Penang, Malaysia

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Information exchange

Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77

<u>PGTF input</u>: US\$59,881

Other inputs: US\$158,517 Number: INT/93/K03 Duration: One (1) year

Approval: IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30 August-3 September 1993)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 10 December 1995

(31) Guidelines and tools for a common industrial policy for Mercosur

32. <u>Submitter</u>: Government of Brazil

Subcontractor: Fundação Centro de Estudos do Comercio Exterior (FUNCEX) of Brazil

Priority area: Industrialization

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay)

PGTF input: US\$120,000 Other inputs: US\$36,000 Number: INT/93/K05 Duration: Eight (8) months

Approval: IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30 August-3 September 1993)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 15 September 1997

(32) Feasibility study for a subregional center for agricultural machinery in the CEPGL subregion

33. <u>Submitter</u>: Communauté Economique des Pays des Grands Lacs (CEPGL), based in Gisenyi, Rwanda

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Burundi, Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Rwanda)

PGTF input: US\$43,000 Other inputs: US\$15,200 Number: INT/93/K07

<u>Duration</u>: Eighty-one (81) days

<u>Approval</u>: IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30 August-3 September 1993) Completion: The final budget revision was submitted on 11 March 1999.

(33) Program for the Development of Communications and Cooperation among Latin American and Caribbean Educators (AELAC)

34. <u>Submitter</u>: Association of Educators of Latin America & the Caribbean (AELAC)

through the Government of Cuba Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 11 countries (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Cuba, Dominican

Republic, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Peru, and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$30,000 Other inputs: US\$303,370 Number: INT/94/K01 Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1994)

Completion: Final report submitted on 30 September 1998

(34) Technical Assistance to the Members of the Group of 77 participating in the Second Round of Negotiations within the Global System of Trade Preferences among Developing Countries (GSTP) and Seeking Membership in the GSTP, as well as Related Technical, Secretariat and Other Support to the GSTP

35. <u>Submitter</u>: Chairperson of the Group of 77 in Geneva

<u>Subcontractor</u>: UNCTAD <u>Priority area</u>: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: 44 countries (Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Cameroon, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ecuador, Egypt, Ghana, Guinea, Guyana, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Romania, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, United Republic of Tanzania, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia, and Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$72,363 Other inputs: Nil. Number: INT/94/K02 Duration: One (1) year

<u>Approval</u>: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1994) Completion: Final Report submitted on 18 June 1997. An unspent balance of US\$3,229 reverted to the

PGTF

(35) Establishment of TIN Management Center to Coordinate the Global Establishment of the Network with a Project Coordination Committee

36. <u>Submitter</u>: The Steering Committee Chambers of Commerce and Industry of the Group of 77 (CCIs)

Subcontractor: Private Sector Development Programme, UNDP

Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77

PGTF input: US\$60,000 Other inputs: US\$105,000 Number: INT/94/K03 Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1994)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 6 August 1997.

(36) Training on the Use of a Computer Simulation Model for Food Security Analysis in Developing Countries of the NAM

37. Submitter: Government of Indonesia

Subcontractor: Ministry of Agriculture of Indonesia

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries (Bangladesh, Gambia, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Kenya,

Nigeria, Sudan, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, and Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US \$70,000 Other inputs: Nil. Number: INT/94/K04 Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1994)

Completion: Final report submitted on 24 June 1997

(37) Employment and Income Generation in West and Central Africa

38. <u>Submitter</u>: Sahel Defis through the Government of Benin.

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Mali, Senegal, and Togo)

PGTF input: US\$30,000 Other inputs: US\$67,000 Number: INT/94/K05 Duration: Two (2) years.

Approval: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1994).

Completion: Final Report submitted on 16 February 1998.

(38) Low-cost Housing Technology Programme

39. Submitter: Government of India

Subcontractor: Center of Science and Technology of the Non Aligned and Other Developing Countries

Priority area: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 8 countries (Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Colombia, Ethiopia, Lebanon,

Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and United Republic of Tanzania)

PGTF input: US\$30,000 Others inputs: US\$34,000 Number: INT/94/K06 Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1994)

Completion: February 2002. Final financial statement submitted on 30 September 2003

(39) Optimization of the process for obtaining crude PMSG for animal reproduction

40. <u>Submitter</u>: Biological Pharmaceutical Laboratories (LABIOFAM) through the Government of Cuba

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Algeria, Argentina, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic

of Korea, Ecuador, and Nigeria)
PGTF input: US\$165,000
Other inputs: US\$432,194
Number: INT/95/K01
Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 19th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 29 September 1995)

Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 11 March 1999.

(40) Productive internationalization in Mercosur: Foreign direct investment and regional transnational corporations

41. <u>Submitter: CPC Consultora Internacional Ltd. through the Government of Uruguay</u>

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Industrialization

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay)

PGTF input: US\$140,000 Other inputs: US\$42,200 Number: INT/95/K02

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 19th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1995)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 23 December 1997

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

42. <u>Submitter</u>: Inter Press Service (IPS) Third World News Agency through the Government of

Costa Rica as Chairman of the Group of 77 for 1996.

<u>Sub-contractor</u>: Same as above Priority area: Information exchange

Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77

PGTF input: US\$75,120 (US\$51,120 + US\$24,000)

Other inputs: US\$45,600 Number: INT/95/K03 Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 19th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 29 September 1995)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 16 July 2007

(42) Entrepreneurial Strengthening of Industrial and Artisan Cooperatives in Central America

43. Submitter: International Cooperative Alliance, a non-governmental organization,

through its American Regional Bureau based in San José, Costa Rica

Priority area: Industrialization

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and

Nicaragua)

Subcontractor: Same as above PGTF input: US\$65,000
Other inputs: US\$79,000
Number: INT/96/K01
Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 20th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996)

Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 28 August 2000.

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

44. <u>Submitter</u>: National Centre for Persons with Disabilities (NCPD) of Trinidad and Tobago, through the

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Trinidad and Tobago

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 12 countries (Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and

Trinidad and Tobago)
PGTF input: US\$90,000
Other inputs: US\$90,000
Number: INT/96/K02
Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 20th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996)

Completion: Final report submitted on 8 December 2005

(44) Training of Personnel in the Field of Standardization and Metrology for the Conformity Assessment among Developing Countries

45. <u>Submitter</u>: Committee for Standardization of Democratic People's Republic of Korea through its Ministry for Foreign Affairs.

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Cambodia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Lao

People's Democratic Republic, Pakistan, and Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$76,500 Other inputs: US\$160,000 Number: INT/96/K03 Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 20th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996)

Completion: The final report was submitted on 13 October 1998

(45) South-South Transfer of Experiences in Sustainable Agricultural Development

46. <u>Submitter</u>: Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) based in Guyana.

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77

PGTF input: US\$84,000 Other inputs: US\$93,000 Number: INT/96/K05 Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 20th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996)

Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 8 June 2001.

(46) A Study on the Impact of Enhancing Environmental Standards on International Trade of South-Asian Countries

47. Submitter: Research and Information System (RIS) for the Non-Aligned and Other

Developing Countries in India. Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal,

Pakistan, and Sri Lanka <u>PGTF input</u>: US\$24,850 <u>Other inputs</u>: US\$24,850 <u>Number</u>: INT/97/K01 Duration: Two (2) years

<u>Approval</u>: 21st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 1997)

Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 4 April 2003.

(47) Biological Control of Pests and Weeds for Sustainable Agriculture and Bio-diversity

48. <u>Submitter</u>: Centre for Science and Technology of the Non-Aligned and Other Developing Countries, based

in India.

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 11 countries (Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Colombia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Egypt, India, Malaysia, Pakistan, Peru, United Republic of Tanzania, and

Zambia)

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$25,000 Number: INT/97/K02 Duration: Three (3) years

Approval: 21st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 1997)

Completion: Final report submitted on 31 January 2002.

(48) Integrated Planning and New Technologies for Sustainable Development

49. <u>Submitter</u>: Caribbean Council for Science and Technology, based in Trinidad and Tobago

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above Priority area: Technology

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 13 countries (Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Cuba, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and

Trinidad and Tobago)
PGTF input: US\$37,560
Other inputs: US\$41,720
Number: INT/97/K03
Duration: Three (3) days

Approval: 21st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 1997)

Completion: 21 September 2001

(49) Positioning of a Gender Programme in Cooperatives in the Andean Region

50. <u>Submitter</u>: International Cooperative Alliance, Office of the Americas in Costa Rica

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (Bolivia, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador,

Paraguay, Peru, and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$61,500
Other inputs: US\$85,000
Number: INT/97/K04
Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 21st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 1997)

Completion: June 1999.

(50) Emergency control measures of the Moroccan locust and other insect pests

51. Submitter: Iraqi General Body for Agricultural Research

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Not required Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Iraq, Islamic Republic of Iran, Jordan, Lebanon, and Syrian

Arab Republic)

PGTF input: US\$50,000 Other inputs: US\$380,000 Number: INT/98/K02 Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

Completion: The project was closed in 2005

(51) Training of rice breeding experts for the effective use of rice genetic resources in the developing countries

52. Submitter: Academy of Agricultural Science of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Guinea,

Mali, and Nigeria)
PGTF input: US\$100,000
Other inputs: US\$146,500
Number: INT/98/K03

Duration: Thirteen (13) months

Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

Completion: The final report was submitted on 1 May 2000.

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

53. Submitter: Sahel DEFIS, an NGO with headquarters in Burkina Faso.

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (Benin, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Mauritania, Niger,

Senegal, and Togo)
PGTF input: US\$30,000
Other inputs: US\$224,280
Number: INT/98/K04
Duration: Two (2) years.

Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

Completion: The final report was submitted on 17 April 2003.

(53) Training, consultation, awareness and capacity building for small hydropower in developing countries

54. <u>Submitter</u>: International Network on Small Hydro Power (IN-SHP), based in the People's Republic

of China

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Energy

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 16 countries (Bangladesh, China, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Ethiopia, Guatemala, India, Jamaica, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan,

Panama, Venezuela, and Zambia)

PGTF input: US\$150,000 Other inputs: US\$330,300 Number: INT/98/K06 Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

Completion: The final report and financial statement were received on 15 February 2001. Final budget

revision received on 19 April 2001.

(54) International youth leadership training for promotion of South-South cooperation

55. Submitter: All Nigeria United Nations Students and Youth Association (ANUNSA) from Nigeria

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 11 countries (Algeria, Barbados, Cuba, Ghana, Indonesia, Liberia,

Mozambique, Nigeria, Palestine, United Republic of Tanzania, and Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$20,000 Other inputs: US\$171,695 Number: INT/98/K07 Duration: Six (6) months

Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

Completion: Final breakdown of disbursement received on 21 September 2000.

(55) Master Plan for the sustainable development of transportation and related infrastructure in South America

56. Submitter: Latin American Integration Association (ALADI) based in Montevideo, Uruguay

<u>Sub-contractor</u>: Not required Priority area: Industrialization

Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 member countries (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia,

Cuba, Ecuador, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$50,000 Other inputs: US\$413,000 Number: INT/98/K08 Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 8 March 2001

(56) Harmonization of agricultural policies of the COMESA Member States

57. Submitter: Secretariat of the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa, (COMESA),

based in Lusaka, Zambia. Subcontractor: Not required

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 20 member countries (Angola, Burundi, Comoros, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Egypt, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius,

Namibia, Rwanda, Seychelles, Sudan, Swaziland, Uganda, Zambia, and Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$60,000

Other inputs: US\$420,000(estimated)

Number: INT/98/K09 Duration: 1 year

Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

Completion: Final report submitted on 18 March 2003

(57) Strengthening of the competitive capacities of micro, small and medium-size enterprises as an employment-generating factor using the technical and economic cooperation mechanism between Latin America and the Caribbean and Africa

58. <u>Submitter</u>: Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American Economic System (SELA), based in

Caracas, Venezuela

Subcontractor: Not required

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 15 countries (Brazil, Cameroon, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Jamaica, Kenya, Mexico, Nigeria, Peru, South Africa, Trinidad and Tobago, Venezuela, and

Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$100,000 Other inputs: US\$403,000 Number: INT/98/K16 Duration: Three (3) years

Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

Completion: Final report and financial statement submitted on 10 June 2003

(58) Design of a regional project to strengthen strategies to reduce drug demand in Colombia, Ecuador and Venezuela

59. <u>Submitter</u>: National Drug Directorate from Colombia

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Colombia, Ecuador, and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$15,000 Other inputs: US\$26,076 Number: INT/98/K17 Duration: Four (4) months

Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

Completion: Final report submitted on 30 October 2000.

(59) Development of a kit for the diagnosis of the Chagas disease

60. <u>Submitter</u>: University of Los Andes from Venezuela through the Permanent Mission of Venezuela to the

United Nations

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Mexico, and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$705,000 Number: INT/98/K18

Duration: Thirteen (13) months.

Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 9 September 2000.

(60) Development of information network and database system for NAM-CSSTC

61. <u>Submitter</u>: Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia

Subcontractor: Center for South-South Technical Cooperation of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM-

CSSTC), headquartered in Jakarta, Indonesia

Priority area: Information exchange

Participating/beneficiary countries: All 115-member countries of the Non-Aligned Movement

<u>PGTF input</u>: US\$30,000

Other inputs: US\$970,950 (in-kind)

Number: INT/99/K01 Duration: Three (3) years.

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999)

Completion: Final report submitted on 21 June 2004

(61) Technical assistance in the field of standardization, metrology and quality management among developing countries

62. Submitter: Committee for Standardization of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Bangladesh, Cambodia, Democratic People's Republic of

Korea, Lao People's Democratic Republic, and Nepal)

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$73,667 Number: INT/99/K02 Duration: One (1) year.

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999)

Completion: Final report submitted on 15 May 2001.

(62) Transportation information system (TIS) for the member countries of the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI)

63. <u>Submitter</u>: Secretariat of the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI) based in Montevideo,

Uruguay

Subcontractor: Not required

Priority area: Information exchange

Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 member countries (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia,

Cuba, Ecuador, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$37,000 Other inputs: US\$113,800 Number: INT/99/K03 Duration: Ten (10) months

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999)

Completion: Final report submitted on 29 August 2001.

(63) Pacific islands regional biomass energy resource assessment programme (PIRBERAP)

64. <u>Submitter</u>: The South Pacific Applied Geosciences Commission (SOPAC) Secretariat, based in Suva, Fiji

Subcontractor: Relevant NGOs.

Priority area: Energy

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 6 countries (Fiji, Kiribati, Samoa, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu)

PGTF input: US\$34,000 Other inputs: US\$166,000 Number: INT/99/K05 Duration: Two (2) years.

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 24 September 1999).

Completion: Terminal report submitted on 13 July 2004

(64) Development of innovative systems for programme management and revenue generation for ASEAN science and technology

65. <u>Submitter</u>: ASEAN Secretariat, based in Jakarta, Indonesia

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Not required <u>Priority area</u>: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 10 member countries (Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao

People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam)

PGTF input: US\$34,000 Other inputs: US\$76,305 Number: INT/99/K07 Duration: Six (6) months.

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 24 September 1999).

Completion: Terminal report submitted on 19 July 2004. An unspent balance of US\$3,019 reverted to the

PGTF

(65) Preparation, reproduction and distribution of the second edition of the CD-ROM of the Pro-tempore Secretariat of the Amazon Cooperation Treaty

66. <u>Submitter</u>: Pro-Tempore Secretariat of the Amazon Cooperation Treaty (Venezuela)

Subcontractor: Not required

Priority area: Information exchange

Participating/beneficiary countries: 8 member countries (Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana,

Peru, Suriname, and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$77,200 Number: INT/99/K09 Duration: Six (6) months.

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999)

Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 9 November 2000.

(66) Citrus certification programmes in Central America and the Caribbean

67. <u>Submitter</u>: Instituto de Investigaciones de Cítricos y otros Frutales, from Cuba.

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Cuba, Dominican Republic, and Guatemala)

PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$25,000 Number: INT/99/K10 Duration: One (1) year.

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 24 September 1999).

Completion: Final report submitted on 30 July 2002.

(67) Programme for regional technical cooperation in the field of integration in Mercosur member countries

68. Submitter: Member institutions of the Mercosur Economic Research Network (MercoNet)

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay)

PGTF input: US\$40,000 Other inputs: US\$54,000 Number: INT/00/K01 Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000)

Completion: Final report submitted in December 2001.

(68) Training of Irrigation and Drainage Designers for Undertaking Development of Water Resources in Developing Countries in Asia

69. Submitter: Agricultural Ministry of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Subcontractor: Irrigation Designing Institute from the Agricultural Ministry of DPR of Korea

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Bangladesh, Cambodia, Democratic People's Republic of

Korea, Lao People's Democratic Republic, and Nepal)

PGTF input: US\$40,000 Other inputs: US\$100,000 Number: INT/00/K04 Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 15 September 2000)

Completion: Final report and final budget revision submitted respectively on 10 January 2002 and 6

October 2003.

(69) Cooperation for Development and Application of Biological Farming Method among Developing Countries in Asia

70. <u>Submitter</u>: Biological Branch of the Academy of Science of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Cambodia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Lao

People's Democratic Republic, Nepal, and Viet Nam)

PGTF input: US\$40,000 Other inputs: US\$112,500 Number: INT/00/K05 Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 15 September 2000).

Completion: Final report submitted on 10 January 2002. Final budget revision submitted on 6 October

2003.

(70) Toward Asia Pacific Renaissance: Recovery, regional cooperation and the public sector

71. Submitter: Asian and Pacific Development Center (APDC), based in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 17 member countries (Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, China, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Iran, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and Viet Nam)

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$105,100 Number: INT/00/K06 Duration: Six months

Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000)

Completion: Following dissolution of the submitting entity by its governing body in September 2004, the

project was operationally closed in July 2007

(71) Assessment and study of the residual effect of pesticides utilization on crop products and flowers in Latin America

72. Submitter: National University of Colombia

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, and Guatemala)

PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$354,085 Number: INT/00/K09 **Duration**: Three years.

Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 15 September 2000).

Completion: Final report submitted on 24 June 2004

(72) Programme of prevention in Peru and control in Ecuador and Colombia against the Guatemalan moth

73. <u>Submitter</u>: National Agricultural Health Service (SENASA) from Peru

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Colombia, Ecuador, and Peru)

PGTF input: US\$30,000 Other inputs: US\$43,268 Number: INT/00/K10 Duration: One year

Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000).

Completion: Final report submitted on 5 September 2003

(73) Support for development of transboundary communities' activities in the Kalahari-Namib region (Namibia, Botswana and South Africa)

74. <u>Submitter</u>: UNCCD Secretariat on behalf of the Governments of Namibia, Botswana and South Africa

Subcontractor: Southern African Development Community (SADC)

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Botswana, Namibia, and South Africa)

PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$25,000 Number: INT/00/K11 Duration: Five years

Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000)

Completion: Final report submitted on 21 June 2004

(74) Quinoa, a multipurpose crop for agro-industrial uses in the Andean countries

75. <u>Submitter</u>: Universidad Nacional del Altiplano from Puno, Peru, through the National Council for Science

and Technology of Peru.

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above

<u>Priority area</u>: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Bolivia, Colombia, and Peru)

PGTF input: US\$74,900 Other inputs: US\$89,800 Number: INT/01/K01 Duration: 18 months

Approval: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 November 2001)

Completion: Final report and financial statement received on 10 June 2004

(75) Improving Awassi Sheep Productivity by using frozen semen in Jordan and the Palestinian Authority

76. <u>Submitter</u>: Jordan University of Science and Technology

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above. <u>Priority</u>: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Egypt, Jordan and Palestine)

PGTF input: US\$110,000 Other inputs: US\$260,000 Number: INT/01/K02 Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 November 2001)

Completion: Final report submitted on 2 October 2006

(76) Watershed Management in the Northern Badia Region as an example for desert regions

77. Submitter: AL al-Bayt University from Jordan

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above Priority area: Food and Agriculture

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 3 countries (Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Syrian Arab Republic)

PGTF input: US\$75,000 Other inputs: US\$142,720 Number: INT/01/K03 Duration: Three (3) years

Approval: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 November 2001)

Completion: Final report submitted on 16 May 2007

(77) Distributed Modeling of Pipeline Networks

78. <u>Submitter</u>: Jordan University of Science and Technology

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Jordan, Turkey, and United Arab Emirates)

PGTF input: US\$80,000 Other inputs: US\$80,000 Number: INT/01/K05 Duration: One year

Approval: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 November 2001)

Completion: Final report submitted on 27 November 2003

(78) Technical Assistance and Support to the relatively less advanced stage of economic development countries in business missions

79. <u>Submitter</u>: Latin American Integration Association (ALADI) Secretariat, based in Montevideo, Uruguay

Subcontractor: Not required

Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Bolivia, Ecuador, and Paraguay)

PGTF input: US\$17,500 Other inputs: US\$75,300 Number: INT/01/K06 Duration: Three months

Approval: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 November 2001)

Completion: Final report submitted on 29 June 2005

(79) Water and energy optimization in sugar and alcohol integrated production

80. <u>Submitter: Submitter:</u> Cuban Research Institute for Sugar Cane Byproducts (ICIDCA), Cuba

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Industrialization

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Cuba, and Mexico)

PGTF input: US\$86,000 Other inputs: US\$90,000 Number: INT/01/K07 Duration: One year

Approval: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 November 2001)

Completion: Final report submitted on 6 August 2004

(80) Training of Maize breeding experts for effective use of maize germplasm in Africa

81. Submitter: Academy of Agricultural Science of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Democratic Republic of the Congo, Democratic People's

Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Guinea, and Mali)

PGTF input: US\$81,200 Other inputs: US\$159,100 Number: INT/02/K01 Duration: Twelve months

Approval: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 November 2001)

Completion: Final report and budget revision submitted on 22 August 2003

(81) Cooperation in promoting an Andean Fair Competition System (SICCLA)

82. Submitter: Export Promotion Commission (PROMPEX) from Peru

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Colombia, Ecuador and Peru)

PGTF input: US\$20,000 Other inputs: US\$32,750 Number: INT/03/K02 Duration: Twelve months

Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

Completion: Final report submitted on 23 March 2005

(82) Indicators System on Information and Communications Technology

83. Submitter: National Institute of Statistics and Informatics (NISIT) from Peru

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Brazil, Mexico, and Peru)

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$50,000 Number: INT/03/K03 Duration: Twelve months

Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

Completion: Final report submitted on 8 June 2004

(83) Regional technical cooperation programme: support to economic research in Mercosur

84. Submitter: The Mercosur Economic Research Network (MercoNet)

Subcontractor: Same as above

<u>Priority area</u>: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay)

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$369,000 Number: INT/03/K05 Duration: Twelve months

Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

Completion: Final report submitted on 11 August 2004

(84) Negotiating Trade in Services: Implications for the Andean Community of Nations

85. <u>Submitter</u>: The Latin American School for Social Sciences (FLACSO), based in Buenos Aires, Argentina

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 member countries (Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$20,000 Other inputs: US\$71,000 Number: INT/03/K06 Duration: One year

Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

Completion: Final report submitted on 11 August 2005

(85) Territorial imbalances and university education: impact of territorial imbalances on university student's performance

86. Submitter: National University of La Plata from Argentina

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil, and Peru)

PGTF input: US\$20,000 Other inputs: US\$144,400 Number: INT/03/K07 Duration: Nine months

Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

Completion: Final report submitted on 23 August 2004

(86) Training, Consultation and Awareness Building for Small Hydropower in Developing Countries

87. <u>Submitter</u>: International Network on Small Hydropower (IN-SHP), base in the People's Republic of China

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Energy

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, Egypt, India, and Islamic Republic of Iran)

PGTF input: US\$40,000 Other inputs: US\$117,400 Number: INT/03/K08 Duration: Twelve months

Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

Completion: Final report submitted on 8 June 2004

(87) Increase of sugar production by microbiological inhibition of the Leuconostoc spp. and other bacteria

88. <u>Submitter</u>: Cuban Research Institute for Sugar Cane by-Products (ICIDCA) from Cuba

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Cuba, and Mexico)

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$30,000 Number: INT/03/K09 Duration: Twelve months

Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

Completion: Final report submitted on 12 September 2005

(88) Training of Irrigation Designers for Undertaking the Work of Developing the Water Resources in Developing Countries

89. <u>Submitter</u>: Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Subcontractor: Irrigation Designing Institute under the Ministry of Agriculture of the DPR of Korea

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Burkina Faso, Democratic People's Republic of Korea,

Guinea, Mali, and Senegal)
PGTF input: US\$40,000
Other inputs: US\$110,000
Number: INT/03/K13
Duration: One year

Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

Completion: Final report and budget revision submitted on 1 March 2004

(89) Capacity-building in Bio-Safety for the Caribbean

90. Submitter: Caribbean Council for Science and Technology (CCST), based in Trinidad and Tobago

<u>Subcontractor</u>: Not required <u>Priority area</u>: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Guyana, St.

Lucia, and Trinidad and Tobago)

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$35,300 Number: INT/03/K15 Duration: Twelve months

Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

Completion: Final report and budget revision submitted on 16 June 2004

(90) Cooperation for floriculture and vegetable growing technology among developing countries

91. <u>Submitter</u>: Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Subcontractor: Pyongyang Horticulture Group, under the Agricultural Ministry of the DPRK

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Mali,

Sudan, Uganda and United Republic of Tanzania)

PGTF input: US\$40,000 Other inputs: US\$101,200 Number: INT/04/K01 Duration: One year

Approval: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2003)

Completion: Final report and budget revision submitted on 2 November 2004

(91) Information network to promote strategies of socio-economic development in South American camelids of Andean Countries

92. Submitter: Research Center of the Universidad Católica de Santa María (St. Mary's Catholic University)

from Arequipa, Peru

<u>Subcontractor</u>: same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Information exchange

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Bolivia, Ecuador and Peru)

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$44,200 Number: INT/04/K02 Duration: Sixteen months

Approval: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2003)

Completion: Final report and financial statement submitted on 30 October 2006

(92) Design of a system of management of used pesticide containers

93. <u>Submitter</u>: National Agricultural Health Service (SENASA) from Peru

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Bolivia, Ecuador and Peru)

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$25,000 Number: INT/04/K03 Duration: One year

Approval: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2003)

Completion: Final report and financial statement submitted on 20 December 2006

(93) Development of new technologies and products for the whole utilization of marginal and primary yeasts as sources of food (YAF)

94. Submitter: Cuban Research Institute for Sugar Cane by-Products (ICIDCA) from Cuba

<u>Subcontractor</u>: same as above <u>Priority area</u>: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Cuba and Mexico)

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$245,000 Number: INT/04/K04 Duration: One year

Approval: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2003)

Completion: Final report submitted on 28 July 2005

(94) Identification of international cooperation opportunities for the settlement of youth in small communities of Argentina, Chile and Uruguay

95. <u>Submitter</u>: Foundation "Banco de la Provincia de Buenos Aires"

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Chile and Uruguay)

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$40,000 Number: INT/04/K05 Duration: Six months

Approval: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2003)

Completion: Final report submitted on 18 May 2005.

(95) Technology Transfer: Assessing Needs – Promoting Action

96. <u>Submitter</u>: United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)

Subcontractor: African Regional Center for Technology (ARCT), based in Dakar, Senegal

Priority area: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries directly (Cote d'Ivoire, Indonesia, Jordan, Kenya, Mongolia, Nigeria, Philippines, South Africa, Thailand, United Republic of Tanzania, Viet Nam and Zimbabwe) and 8 countries collectively (Pacific Islands Group: Fiji, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Palau,

Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Tonga and Vanuatu)

PGTF input: US\$45,000 Other inputs: US\$65,000 Number: INT/04/K06 Duration: One year

Approval: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2003)

Completion: Final report submitted in August 2007

(96) Regional integration of postal transportation in the Andean Community

97. Submitter: Postal Union of the Americas, Spain and Portugal (UPAEP), based in Montevideo, Uruguay

Subcontractor: Universidad Externado de Colombia

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$65,000 Number: INT/04/K07 Duration: Four (4) months

Approval: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2003)

Completion: Final report submitted on 1 August 2007

(97) Training programme for the staff of some African Countries Member Chambers

98. <u>Submitter:</u> Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI), based in Karachi, Pakistan

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 13 countries (Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Comoros,

Djibouti, Egypt, Guinea, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Sudan, and Togo)

PGTF input: US\$24,700 Other inputs: US\$24,900 Number: INT/05/K01 Duration: Six (6) days

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

Completion: Final report submitted on 12 July 2005

(98) Training of Researchers for Seed Production, Processing and Inspection Methods in Developing Countries

99. Submitter: Seed Technical Center (STC), under the Ministry of Agriculture of the Democratic

People's Republic of Korea <u>Subcontractor</u>: same as above Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia,

Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda)
PGTF input: US\$45,000
Other inputs: US\$67,500
Number: INT/05/K02

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

Completion: Final report submitted on 10 August 2005

(99) Training of Groundnut Breeding Experts for the Effective Use of Groundnut Genetic Resources in the Developing Countries

100. Submitter: Academy of Agricultural Sciences of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

<u>Subcontractor</u>: same as above <u>Priority area:</u> Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Guinea, Mali,

Nigeria, and Senegal)
PGTF input: US\$45,000
Other inputs: US\$67,500
Number: INT/05/K03

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

Completion: Final report submitted on 13 June 2005

(100)Strengthening development cooperation for poverty reduction between Viet Nam, Benin, and Mozambiaue

101. Submitter: Government of Viet Nam

Subcontractor: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Viet Nam

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Benin, Mozambique, and Viet Nam)

PGTF input: US\$25,400 Other inputs: US\$40,000 Number: INT/05/K06

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

Completion: Final report submitted on 26 May 2006

(101)Training of irrigation and drainage designers for protection from drought and flood damage in developing countries

102. Submitter: Irrigation Designing Research Institute (IDRI) from the Democratic People's Republic

of Korea

Subcontractor: same as above Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Nigeria,

Sudan and Uganda) PGTF input: US\$34,827 Other inputs: US\$43,173 Number: INT/06/K01

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)

Completion: Final report submitted on 16 August 2006

(102)Training of experts on construction and operation of small-size hydropower plants in developing countries

103. Submitter: Institute of Electric Power and Remote Control ((IEPRC) from the Democratic

People's Republic of Korea Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Energy

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Bangladesh, Cambodia, Democratic People's

Republic of Korea, Lao People's Democratic Republic and Nepal)

PGTF input: US\$30,000 Other inputs: US\$42,066 Number: INT/06/K02

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)

Completion: Final report submitted on 8 August 2006

(103)Training of experts on standardization and metrology of developing countries

104. Submitter: State Administration for Quality Management from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Nigeria,

Sudan and Uganda) PGTF input: US\$34,827 Other inputs: US\$43,173 Number: INT/06/K03

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)

Completion: Final report was submitted on 17 August 2006

(104) Support to the MERCOSUR regional integration process

105. <u>Submitter</u>: Mercosur Economic Research Network (MercoNet) based in Montevideo, Uruguay

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay)

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$41,000 Number: INT/06/K05

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)

Completion: Final report was submitted on 29 June 2007

(105) Training programme for staff of national chambers of commerce of Middle Eastern countries

106. <u>Submitter</u>: Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI) based in Karachi, Pakistan with the endorsement of the Organization of the Islamic Conference

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 19 countries (Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Islamic Republic of Iran, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Morocco, Oman, Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey,

United Arab Emirates, and Yemen)

PGTF input: US\$27,400 Other inputs: US\$33,000 Number: INT/06/K06

Duration: Four (4) days in mid-2006

Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)

Completion: Final report submitted on 4 July 2006

(106) International youth leadership training for promotion of South-South cooperation – 2nd Study session and training

107. Submitter: Caribbean Youth Environment Network (CYEN) based in Bridgetown, Barbados

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

<u>Participating/beneficiary countries</u>: 21 countries (Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Chile, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Liberia, Mauritius, Nigeria, Senegal, South Africa, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, and Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$30,000 Other inputs: US\$70,786 Number: INT/06/K07 Duration: Five (5) months

Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)

Completion: Final report submitted on 13 September 2006

(107) First International Seminar on biosphere resources located in semi-arid regions

108. <u>Submitter</u>: Department of Science, Technology and Environment of the Pernambuco State Government (Brazil)

Subcontractor: Friends of the Caatinga Biosphere Institute, an NGO based in Brazil

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Mexico, Morocco, Paraguay, and

Peru)

PGTF input: US\$35,000 Other inputs: US\$45,000 Number: INT/07/K01 Duration: Five (5) months

Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)

Completion: Final report submitted on 27 July 2007

B. PROJECTS NOT IMPLEMENTED AND ALLOCATED FUNDS REVERTED TO PGTF

109. One project was cancelled since the previous meeting of the Committee of Experts and the allocated funds reverted to PGTF. This brings the total of projects not implemented to eighteen (18), as follows:

(1) Interregional Trade Financing Facility

110. <u>Submitter</u>: UNCTAD

PGTF input: US\$40,000

Approval: IFCC-VI (Havana, 7-12 September 1987)

Number: INT/88/K02/A/95/99

Cancellation decision: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 28 September 1989).

Reason: Similar project funded by UNCTAD.

(2) Facilitating the implementation of the Multisectoral Information Network (MSIN)

111. <u>Submitter</u>: Technological Information Pilot System (TIPS)/Inter Press Service (IPS)

<u>PGTF input</u>: US\$15,000

Approval: IFCC-VI (Havana, 7-12 September 1987)

Number: INT/88/K05/A/95/99

Cancellation decision: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 3 October 1990).

Reason: Not implemented three years after approval.

(3) Action Committee on Inter-enterprise Cooperation

112. <u>Submitter</u>: International Center for Public Enterprises (ICPE) and Research Center for Cooperation with

Developing Countries (RCCDC) of former Yugoslavia (Slovenia)

<u>PGTF input</u>: US\$35,000

Approval: 12th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 28-30 September 1988)

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

Cancellation decision: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 1 October 1992).

Reason: No matching contribution received from project sponsors by the established deadline of 31

December 1989

(4) Monetary Cooperation Fund of the Non-Aligned and other Developing Countries

113. <u>Submitter</u>: Government of Madagascar

<u>PGTF input</u>: US\$30,000 <u>Duration</u>: To be determined

Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 28 September 1989)

Number: INT/89/K08/A/95/99

<u>Cancellation decision</u>: 17th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, September 1993).

Reason: Not implemented by the established deadline of June 1994

(5) The Caribbean into the Twenty-first Century

114. <u>Submitter</u>: The Nation Organization of Barbados/Eastern Caribbean Research Center

(ECRC) of Saint Lucia <u>PGTF input</u>: US\$50,000 Duration: Four days

Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 28 September 1989)

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

Cancellation decision: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 30 September 1994).

Reason: Implementing organization failed to deliver substantive and financial reports on the

implementation of the project. The Government of Saint Lucia refunded disbursed resources in 1997

(6) Upgrading of veterinary field health services through development of an animal disease information center

115. Submitter: Government of Malaysia

PGTF input: US\$140,000 Duration: 18 months

Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 1-2 October 1990)

Number: INT/90/K09/A/95/99

Cancellation decision: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 30 September 1994).

Reason: Not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 1994

(7) Public Enterprises Rationalization Project

116. <u>Submitter</u>: Government of Saint Lucia

PGTF input: US\$60,800 Duration: Six months

Approval: 15th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 1 October 1991)

Number: INT/91/K02/A/95/99

Cancellation decision: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 30 September 1994).

Reason: Implementing organization failed to deliver substantive and financial reports on the

implementation of the project. The Government of Saint Lucia refunded disbursed resources in 1997

(8) Study of Production and Distribution of Pasture Seeds and Legumes to Smallholder Dairy Farmers

117. <u>Submitter:</u> Southern African Development Community (SADC), based in Gaborone, Botswana

PGTF input: US\$90,000 Number: INT/92/K07 Duration: 16 months

Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 1 October 1992)

<u>Date of signature of relevant documents</u>: The project document was signed by the G-77 and UNDP on 26

August 1993.

Cancellation decision: 21st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 26 September 1997).

Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 1996.

(9) Development of Agriculture Database for ASEAN

118. <u>Submitter</u>: Government of Malaysia

PGTF input: US\$94,000 Duration: Two years

Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 1 October 1992)

Number: INT/93/K04/A/95/99

Cancellation decision: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 30 September 1994).

Reason: Not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 1994.

(10) Feasibility study for establishing a Central American hydrographic cooperation programme

119. <u>Submitter</u>: Government of Panama

Subcontractor: Instituto Geográfico Nacional Tommy Guardia from Panama

<u>PGTF input</u>: US\$38,500

Approval: IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30 August-3 September 1993)

Number: INT/93/K06 Duration: 4 months

Cancellation decision: 21st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 26 September 1997).

Reason: The project was not implemented by the sub-contracting agency. The Government of Panama

refunded disbursed funds in 2000.

(11) Network of advisory centres for small and medium-sized enterprises in Mercosur

120. <u>Submitter</u>: Fundación Banco Mayo from Argentina

Subcontractor: To be awarded if required

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Number: INT/98/K01 Duration: 6 months

Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

Cancellation decision: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 15 November 2001).

Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2001.

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

121. <u>Submitter</u>: ASEAN Secretariat, based in Jakarta, Indonesia

PGTF input: US\$100,000 Number: INT/98/K13 Duration: 7 months

Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

Cancellation decision: Not required.

Reason: ASEAN withdrew the project in December 2000, since as a result of a decision by the Economic

Affairs Ministers; a similar activity was carried out by ASEAN in the context of a wider project

(13) Building technical competence in the area of conformity assessment in the Latin American region

122. <u>Submitter</u>: National Institute of Metrology, Standardization and Industrial Quality of

Brazil, through the Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations

Subcontractor: Centro para Inovação e Competitividade (CIC)

PGTF input: US\$50,000 Number: INT/98/K05 Duration: 2 years

Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 25 September 1998)

Cancellation decision: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 22 September 2006).

Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2006.

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

123. <u>Submitter</u>: National Development Corporation (NDC) of Saint Lucia

PGTF input: US\$35,000 Number: INT/99/K06 Duration: Six months.

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 24 September 1999)

<u>Cancellation decision</u>: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 15 November 2001).

Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2001.

(15) Human resource development and training in international trade for the member states of the Communauté Economique et Monétaire de l'Afrique Centrale (CEMAC)

124. Submitter: Executive Secretariat of the Communauté Economique et Monétaire de L'Afrique Centrale

(CEMAC) based in Bangui, Central African Republic

PGTF input: US\$22,000 Number: INT/99/K08 Duration: Two years.

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 24 September 1999)

Cancellation decision: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 19 September 2002).

Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2002.

(16) Support to the implementation of the Bali Plan of Action of the Group of 77

125. <u>Submitter</u>: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 in New York

PGTF input: US\$30,000 Number: INT/99/K11 Duration: One year.

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 24 September 1999)

Cancellation decision: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 19 September 2002).

Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2002.

(17) Multilateral Trading System Training Centre

126. <u>Submitter</u>: Institute of Diplomatic Studies of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Arab Republic_

of Egypt.

PGTF input: US\$86,000 Number: INT/01/K08 Duration: 2 years.

Approval: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 15 November 2001)

Cancellation decision: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 25 September 2003).

Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2003.

(18) Reviving Low Cost Mud Adobe House for Poor Urban and Rural Communities

127. <u>Submitter</u>: Royal Scientific Society from Jordan

PGTF input: US\$40,000 Number: INT/03/K12 Duration: Three (3) years

<u>Approval</u>: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

Cancellation decision: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 30 September 2004).

Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2004.

SURVEY OF THE IMPACT OF PGTF

- 1. The Committee recommended at its twelfth meeting in 1997 to carry out a survey of the impact and benefits of the projects funded by the PGTF with a view to supporting the promotion of the Fund. So far, the Office of the Chairman has received information on 71 of the 107 PGTF-supported projects that have been completed. Further reports are expected so as to be able to prepare a comprehensive assessment of the impact of PGTF since the launching of its operations in 1986. A brief summary for each completed project is provided below:
- (1-3) Group of 77 Information Bulletin; and ECDC/TCDC Information support to the Group of 77 Chapters
- 2. Number: INT/88/K01; INT/93/K02 and INT/95/K03

<u>PGTF input \$US\$</u>):109,520; 51,120; and 75,120 respectively <u>Other inputs (US\$</u>): 68,400; 45,600; and 45,600 respectively

Date of implementation: 1988-1991; 1993-1994; and 1995-2007 respectively

<u>Impact</u>: Established an important communication link between the various G-77 chapters. It also helped to disseminate the views of the G-77 to a wider audience.

- (4) Technical Co-operation among SELA member States in artificial insemination and embryo transplants
- 3. Number: INT/89/K03

PGTF input (US\$): 83,700 Other inputs (US\$): 202,000

Date of implementation: 1989-1993

<u>Impact</u>: The project created a network of institutions that introduced or improved artificial insemination and embryo transplant procedures. Outstanding results have been achieved in Cuba, Chile, Uruguay and Brazil. Development of these biotechnologies in the region is significant and their use is an everyday occurrence today.

- (5) Export promotion and cooperation in favor of less developed countries within the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI)
- 4. Number: INT/89/K05

PGTF input (US\$): 120,000 Other inputs (US\$): 107,971

Date of implementation: 1991-1992

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

- (6) Establishment of a Maghreb Unit in the National Center for Information and Economic Documentation (CNIDE) of Algeria
- 5. Number: INT/89/K06

PGTF input (US\$): US\$65,450

Other inputs (US\$): Nil

Date of implementation: 1990-1993

<u>Impact</u>: Between 1993 and 1996 certain databases were established. However, their impact was limited due to obsolescence of acquired material and difficulties in collecting data and bringing together the heads of information centers of Maghreb countries. In 1996 the implementing agency was dissolved and its assets transferred to the Algerian Bureau for Foreign Trade Promotion (PROMEX).

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

6. Number: INT/89/K12

PGTF input (US\$): 58,000 Other inputs (US\$): 309,200

Date of implementation: 1991-1997

<u>Impact</u>: Publication of a book on biodiversity containing all the findings and innovative elements related to the germ plasm issue.

- (8-9) South-North Development Monitor (SUNS); and Information Support to the Group of 77 Chapters (SUNS)
- 7. Number: INT/89/K13 and INT/93/K03

PGTF input (US\$): 120,000 and 59,881 respectively Other inputs (US\$): 164,000 and 158,517 respectively

Date of implementation: 1991-1992 and 1994-1995 respectively

<u>Impact</u>: Supported publication of SUNS during 24 months (over 400 issues). SUNS issues have since been made available by fax to the G-77 missions in New York.

- (10) Assistance to the Fifth Meeting of the Committee of Experts of the Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund
- 8. <u>Number</u>: INT/89/K14

PGTF input (US\$): 25,000 Other inputs (US\$): Nil

Date of implementation: 1990-1992

<u>Impact</u>: Following a decision by the Group of 77 to fund the participation of the members of the Committee of Experts at its meetings, this project ensured participation of Committee members by covering travel, subsistence and terminal expenses for the Fifth Meeting (1990), Sixth Meeting (1991) and partially the Seventh Meeting in 1992.

- (11) In-depth review of the actions taken by the international community in favor of the particular needs and problems of the land-locked developing countries and a basis for new strategy to overcome these needs and problems in the future
- 9. Number: INT/90/K03

PGTF input (US\$): 95,000 Other inputs (US\$): 23,800

Date of implementation: 1991-1995

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

- (12) Regional symposium on the economic and social impact of money derived from illicit drug trafficking in the development of Latin America and the Caribbean
- 10. Number: INT/90/K04

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

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

- (13) *Organic rice farming*
- 11. <u>Number</u>: INT/90/K06

PGTF input (US\$): 85,000 Other inputs (US\$): nil

Date of implementation: 1991-1997

<u>Impact</u>: The study has provided information on the characteristics of various organic matter sources when used for organic rice farming. It also provided information for both up scaling the project to the pilot level, and enabling farmers to further exploit these techniques

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- (14-16) Technical, secretariat and other support to the GSTP, and technical assistance to countries participating in the GSTP (First Round); and Technical assistance to the members of the G-77 participating in the Second Round of negotiations within the GSTP and seeking membership in the GSTP, as well as related technical, secretariat and other support to the GSTP
- 12. Number: INT/90/K07 and INT/92/K03 (First Round), and INT/94/K02 (Second Round)

PGTF input (US\$): 350,000 and 250,000; and 72,363 respectively

Other inputs (US\$): Nil

Date of implementation: 1991-1993, 1992-1994 and 1995-1997 respectively

<u>Impact</u>: First round led to launching of the agreement, with 43 member countries and negotiations on 1,700 tariff lines. Second round enabled accession of 8 additional member countries and a sub-regional grouping, with consolidated list of concessions covering 700 tariff lines.

- (17) Establishment of the Regional Bureau and Trade Information Network for Chamber of Commerce & Industry (CCI) of Developing Countries Members of the Group of 77
- 13. <u>Number</u>: INT/91/K01

PGTF input (US\$): 150,000 Other inputs (US\$): 270,000 Date of implementation: 1991-1994

<u>Impact</u>: Sixty chambers of commerce participated in the pilot project. They were assisted in formulating a plan of action for their respective centers. In addition, Web pages were created for this pilot group.

- (18) Economic Integration in the Southern Cone Common Market
- 14. Number: INT/92/K01

PGTF input (US\$): 88,000 Other inputs (US\$): Nil

Date of implementation: 1992-1994

<u>Impact</u>: Greatly facilitated the negotiations of the sub-regional integration scheme that led to the emergence of a customs union known as Mercosur. The studies were widely circulated in the region and a large number of experts, academics and policy makers benefited from them

- (19) Development and use of a computer simulation model for supply, demand and prices of agricultural commodities in ASEAN countries
- 15. Number: INT/92/K04

PGTF input (US\$): 81,600 Other inputs (US\$): Nil

Date of implementation: 1993-1994

<u>Impact</u>: Improved the skills of the participants in forecasting trends in export agricultural commodities. Some of the participants were able to set-up national training programs on computer simulation models.

- (20-21) African Agency for Biotechnology
- 16. Number: INT/92/K06 (Phase I) and INT/93/K01 (Phase II)

PGTF input (US\$): 150,000 and 150,000

Other inputs (US\$): Nil

Date of implementation: 1993-2000 and 1994-2000 respectively

<u>Impact</u>: Provided seed money for the setting up of the Agency. Financed 16 country studies (one for each member state), as well as acquisition of equipment and setting up of the operating structures of the Agency. Current regular budget activities financed by member country contributions and funds from regional development banks.

(22) Guidelines and tools of a common industrial policy for Mercosur

17. <u>Number</u>: INT/93/K05

PGTF input (US\$): 120,000 Other inputs (US\$): 36,000

Date of implementation: 1994-1997

<u>Impact</u>: Provided important inputs for the analysis of the costs and benefits of the implementation of common industrial policies among Mercosur member countries. It also proposed guidelines for the harmonization of the industrial policies among Mercosur countries

(23) Feasibility study for a subregional center for agricultural machinery in the CEPGL subregion

18. Number: INT/93/K07

PGTF input (US\$): US\$43,000 Other inputs (US\$): US\$15,200 Date of implementation: 1996-1999

<u>Impact</u>: Provided decision-makers in the subregion with recommendations aimed at designing and adopting common agricultural policies. In particular, by identifying shortcomings in national policies that resulted in the disappearance of all national centers for agricultural machinery, and by defining the main features of the subregional center, conceived as a center of excellence and a common endeavor of the member countries.

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

19. <u>Number</u>: INT/94/K05

PGTF input (US\$): 30,000 Other inputs (US\$): 67,000

Date of implementation: 1995-1998

<u>Impact</u>: Eleven (11) projects were launched in Benin, Burkina Faso and Togo providing income for 5,000 people and protecting natural resources.

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

20. Number: INT/95/K02

PGTF input (US\$): 140,000 Other inputs (US\$): 42,200

Date of implementation: 1996-1997

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

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

21. Number: INT/96/K02

PGTF input (US\$): US\$90,000 Other inputs (US\$): US\$90,000 Date of implementation: 1997-1999

<u>Impact</u>: Seminars, workshops and training courses were organized in technical and vocational institutions of 7 English-speaking countries of the Caribbean on the education and training of persons with disabilities. Little known information on existing international standards, conventions, policies and programmes on disability issues was made available.

(27) Training of Personnel in the Field of Standardization and Meteorology for the Conformity Assessment among Developing Countries

22. Number: INT/96/K03

PGTF input (US\$): US\$76,500 Other inputs (US\$): US\$160,000 Date of implementation: 1997-1998

<u>Impact</u>: Training of technicians from the participating countries (Bangladesh, Cambodia, Laos and Nepal) that would establish the infrastructure of standards, metrology and quality in their countries. Provision of methodological guidelines for conformity assessment using ISO 9000 and ISO 14000, and calibration guidelines needed for establishing a unified system of metrological calibration.

(28) South-South Transfer of Experiences in Sustainable Agricultural Development

23. Number: INT/96/K05

PGTF input (US\$): 84,000 Other inputs (US\$): 93,000

Date of implementation: 1998-2001

<u>Impact</u>: Collection of information on 65 agricultural and rural development projects in seventeen countries in Latin America and the Caribbean. Preparation of 30 project summaries and 10 case studies. Publication of 11 issues of a newsletter in English and Spanish.

(29) Biological Control of Pests and Weeds for Sustainable Agriculture and Bio-diversity

24. <u>Number</u>: INT/97/K02

PGTF input (US\$): US\$25,000 Other inputs (US\$): US\$25,000 Date of implementation: 1999-2002

<u>Impact</u>: Collection of information on crops, pests and weeds, bio-control programmes and integrated pest management from 13 participating countries. Convening of a workshop with 10 participating countries and 21 resource persons to exchange experiences on bio-control programmes. Identification of common problems and of areas for training. Four training programmes completed as of end April 2002.

(30) Integrated Planning and New Technologies for Sustainable Development

25. <u>Number</u>: INT/97/K03

PGTF input (US\$): US\$37,560 Other inputs (US\$): US\$41,720 Date of implementation: 1999-2001

<u>Impact</u>: Substantial progress in adopting an integrated approach in water resources planning, in particular in Barbados, Jamaica, St. Lucia, and Trinidad and Tobago. Obstacles encountered in integrating science and technology into overall national development plans, some progress in Jamaica and Trinidad and Tobago, not seen as a priority in the least developed Caribbean countries.

(31) Training of rice breeding experts for the effective use of rice genetic resources in the developing countries

26. Number: INT/98/K03

PGTF input (US\$): US\$100,000 Other inputs (US\$): US\$146,500 Date of implementation: 1999-2000

<u>Impact</u>: On the basis of the findings of a mission from DPR Korea to the participating countries (Ethiopia, Guinea, Mali and Nigeria), 14 experts from these countries were trained on rice breeding. Main results were country-specific guidelines for evaluation, selection and seed production of rice genetic resources; improved rice breeding systems suited to the various agro-ecological zones; and rice breeding with enhanced disease resistance.

(32) Training, consultation, awareness building for small hydropower in developing countries

27. Number: INT/98/K06

<u>PGTF input (US\$)</u>: 150,000 <u>Other inputs (US\$)</u>: 330,300 <u>Date of implementation</u>: 1999-2001

Impact: Five training seminars in four developing countries. Consultation missions to seven countries to carry out feasibility studies. Publication of two training texts. Research and compilation of three surveys and a standards study. Initial funding for an international center for small hydropower through a trust fund administered by UNIDO

(33) International Youth Leadership Training for Promotion of South-South Cooperation

28. Number: INT/98/K07

PGTF input (US\$): 20,000 Other inputs (US\$): 171,695

Date of implementation: 1999-2000

<u>Impact</u>: Holding of a study and training conference for 70 youth leaders from 16 countries.

(34) Master Plan for the sustainable development of transportation and related infrastructure in South America

29. Number: INT/98/K08

PGTF input: US\$50,000 Other inputs: US\$413,000

Date of implementation: 1999-2001

<u>Impact</u>: It identified the main trade flows and the supply of transportation services in the region. This will facilitate the enhancement of these services and their infrastructure, as well as their regional production competitiveness.

(35) Establishment of a kit for the diagnosis of the Chagas disease

30. Number: INT/98/K18

PGTF input (US\$): 35,000 Other inputs (US\$): 705,000 Date of implementation: 1999-2000

<u>Impact</u>: Development of two new highly selective and specific antigens for the diagnosis of the disease that would be the basis for preparing very low-cost kits, which could compete favorably in the market.

(36) Technical assistance based on the regional approach in the field of standardization, metrology and quality control among developing countries

31. Number: INT/99/K02

PGTF input (US\$): 25,000 Other inputs (US\$): 73,667 Date of implementation: 2000

<u>Impact</u>: Training of officers from Lao, Cambodia, Nepal and Bangladesh in the establishment of their own national systems of standards and metrology.

(37) Transportation information system (TIS) for the member countries of the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI)

32. Number: INT/99/K03

PGTF input (US\$): US\$37,000 Other inputs (US\$): US\$113,800 Date of implementation: 2000-2001

<u>Impact</u>: Information system (SIT-A) installed in the Web page of ALADI. Contains information on regulatory and operating issues, as well as on physical infrastructure and related services. Covers air, road, rail, river and maritime transportation. Design is modular and user friendly and meets a sustained demand from the public, private and academic sectors of the region. ALADI is further developing the system.

(38) Pacific islands regional biomass energy resource assessment programme (PIRBERAP)

33. Number: INT/99/K05

PGTF input (US\$): US\$34,000 Other inputs (US\$): US\$166,000 Date of implementation: 2001-2004

Impact: Country nationals from the six Pacific Island Countries (Fiji, Kiribati, Samoa, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu) were trained in biomass assessment techniques and methodologies with a focus on identifying and quantifying the biomass energy resources in each of those countries, resulting in greater awareness of and a renewed interest in biomass as a potential energy source.

(39) Programme for regional technical cooperation in the field of integration in Mercosur member countries

34. <u>Number</u>: INT/00/K01

PGTF input: US\$40,000 Other inputs: US\$54,000 Duration: One year

Date of implementation: 2001

Impact: Publication of a book with experts' views and research on assessment and perspectives of Mercosur in its first decade. Dissemination activities for policy-makers aimed at reinforcing integration and cooperation within Mercosur.

(40) Training of Irrigation and Drainage Designers for Undertaking Development of Water Resources in Developing Countries in Asia

35. Number: INT/00/K04

PGTF input (US\$): US\$40,000 Other inputs (US\$): US\$100,000 Date of implementation: 2001-2002

Impact: A mission from DPR Korea visited each participating country (Bangladesh, Cambodia, Laos and Nepal) and collected field data on irrigation and drainage. Based on this assessment, a training workshop was held with the participation of two engineers from each country, in the areas of irrigation and drainage systems planning, technical bases for building the systems, investment estimates, and flood damage prevention.

(41) Cooperation for Development and Application of Biological Farming Method among Developing Countries in Asia

36. <u>Number</u>: INT/00/K05

PGTF input (US\$): US\$40,000 Other inputs (US\$): US\$112,500 Date of implementation: 2001-2002

<u>Impact</u>: 29 experts from the participating countries (Cambodia, Laos, Nepal and Vietnam) were trained on biological farming. Main results were the analysis of the current situation in each country, guidelines for

developing biological resources and implementing country-specific biological farming methods; provision of bio-fertilizers and agricultural bio-medicines, on the basis of research and trials in various points of each country; and a system for sharing information experiences was established.

(42) Assessment and study of the residual effect of pesticides utilization on crop products and flowers in Latin America

37. Number: INT/00/K09

PGTF input (US\$): US\$35,000 Other inputs (US\$): US\$354,085 Date of implementation: 2001-2004

<u>Impact</u>: Field sampling studies were conducted and samples collection taken in representative areas in Colombia to assess pesticide residues in crop products to evaluate the food quality and safety and environmental impact. In most of the samples (96.4%) residues were below the Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs). Three samples (4.6%) were contaminated with pesticides residues that exceeded the MRLs, which were attributed to the inappropriate or excessive use of pesticides.

(43) Programme of prevention in Peru and control in Ecuador and Colombia against the Guatemalan moth

38. Number: INT/00/K10

PGTF input (US\$): US\$30,000 Other inputs (US\$): US\$43,268 Date of implementation: 2001-2003

<u>Impact</u>: An information network among Colombia, Ecuador and Peru was established to monitor and exchange information about the potato Guatemalan moth. International workshops were held with the participation of national specialists concerned with this pest, which facilitated contacts and the integrated development of sub regional initiatives against the Guatemalan moth. Success was reported in Peru continuing to maintain its status as a country free of this pest.

(44) Quinoa, a multipurpose crop for agro-industrial uses in the Andean countries

39. <u>Number</u>: INT/01/K01

PGTF input (US\$): US\$74,900 Other inputs (US\$): US\$89,800 Date of implementation: 2002-2004

<u>Impact</u>: 30 varieties of Quinoa seeds were cultivated under different crop conditions in Bolivia, Colombia and Peru. The most adaptable and productive seeds were identified and their respective profitability in the areas of production, agro industrial processing and marketing was assessed.

(45) Improving Awassi Sheep Productivity by using frozen semen in Jordan and the Palestinian Authority

40. <u>Number</u>: INT/01/K02

PGTF input: US\$110,000 Other inputs: US\$260,000

Date of implementation: 2002-2006

<u>Impact</u>: Increased the productive potential of genetically improved Awassi sheep in the region through the use of frozen and fresh semen obtained from disease-free proven sires.

(46) Watershed Management in the Northern Badia Region as an example for desert regions

41. Number: INT/01/K03

PGTF input: US\$75,000 Other inputs: US\$142,720

Date of implementation: 2002-2007

<u>Impact</u>: Improved management of the surface water resources of the Badia region could be achieved through the use of modern and advanced modeling techniques.

(47) Distributed Modeling of Pipeline Networks

42. Number: INT/01/K05

PGTF input (US\$): US\$80,000 Other inputs (US\$): US\$80,000 Date of implementation: 2002-2003

<u>Impact</u>: Initial work was performed on the design and evaluation of a concurrent system for modeling pipe networks using linear algebraic methods based on cluster computing that could offer a low-cost and high-speed alternative to traditional and expensive solutions based on massively parallel processing systems. The modeling of complex and large dynamic pipe networks poses a major challenge to be addressed.

(48) Technical assistance and support to the relative less advanced stage of economic development countries in business missions

43. Number: INT/01/K06

PGTF input (US\$): US\$17,500 Other inputs (US\$): US\$75,300 Date of implementation: 2002-2005

<u>Impact</u>: Three business missions of businessmen from Bolivia, Ecuador and Paraguay to other Latin American countries were conducted and market studies were published on business opportunities aimed at improving exports of products from these countries.

(49) Training of Maize breeding experts for effective use of maize germplasm in Africa

44. Number: INT/02/K01

PGTF input (US\$): US\$81,200 Other inputs (US\$): US\$159,100 Date of implementation: 2002-2003

<u>Impact</u>: A training course was successfully completed by 11 trainees on the breeding of high-yield maize varieties resistant to unfavorable climate conditions through which information was exchanged on maize breeding and seed selection work done in the participating countries, namely Ethiopia, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Guinea and Mali.

(50) Cooperation in promoting an Andean Fair Competition System (SICCLA)

45. Number: INT/03/K02

PGTF input: US\$20,000 Other inputs: US\$32,750

Date of implementation: 2003-2004

<u>Impact</u>: Establishment of a portal promoted the sharing of information and experiences in the cattle-leather-footwear and manufactures production chain among Colombia, Ecuador and Peru, which strengthened their efforts to combat unfair competition practices.

(51) Indicators System on Information and Communication Technology

46. <u>Number</u>: INT/03/K03

PGTF input (US\$): US\$25,000 Other inputs (US\$): US\$50,000 Date of implementation: 2003 <u>Impact</u>: A framework to facilitate the identification and formulation of indicators and statistics on information and communication technologies (ICT) was proposed, which member countries of the Statistics Conference of the Americas (SCA) could incorporate in their national statistics plans.

(52) Regional technical cooperation programme: support to economic research in Mercosur

47. <u>Number</u>: INT/03/K05 <u>PGTF input</u>: US\$25,000 <u>Other inputs</u>: US\$369,000

Date of implementation: 2003-2004

Impact: A two-day regional forum was organized, attended by more than 300 participants (government officials, leading negotiators, scholars, experts, businessmen and civil society representatives). The forum provided a venue for presentation and discussion of results of the latest studies completed during 2001-2003 on regional macroeconomic cooperation and creation of a monetary institute; common trade policies and enhancement of the regional market; competitiveness, foreign investment and productive complementarities. As a result of the forum, proposals and recommendations were prepared and addressed to governments and civil society for furthering the process of regional integration.

(53) Negotiating Trade in Services: Implications for the Andean Community of Nations

48. Number: INT/03/K06

PGTF input (US\$): 20,000 Other inputs (US\$): 71,000

Date of implementation: 2003-2005

<u>Impact</u>: Two research reports were published dealing with international trade in professional services and the integration of the Andean countries and on trade services negotiations and investments. Networking of scholars and negotiators was accomplished in order to make the research closer and relevant to policy needs.

(54) Territorial imbalances and university education: impact of territorial imbalances on university students' performance

49. Number: INT/03/K07

PGTF input (US\$): US\$20,000 Other inputs (US\$): US\$144,400 Date of implementation: 2003-2004

Impact: Three country studies carried out in Argentina, Brazil and Peru proved that the proclaimed goal of equality of opportunities is far from being achieved. University education results, in terms of both qualitative and quantitative indicators are heavily dependent on personal and regional characteristics of students (socio-economic background, family income, and level of economic resources where they live). Results were published in a book widely distributed to public and private libraries, policy-makers in central and local governments, congress members, and authorities and researchers in public and private universities and other institutions. Administrative and academic institutions in the three countries now have the data, analyses and recommendations to make the right decisions regarding university education policies.

(55) Training, Consultation and Awareness Building for Small Hydropower in Developing Countries

50. Number: INT/03/K08

PGTF input (US\$): US\$40,000 Other inputs (US\$): US\$117,400 Date of implementation: 2003-2004

Impact: A two-week training course for 31 participants from Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and India was conducted in India followed by a field visit to China which allowed for the exchange of information/technical know-how/expertise in small hydropower (SHP); facilitated common understanding of further SHP cooperation approaches and strategies; explored opportunities for SHP technology transfer; and made recommendations for SHP cooperation among developing countries.

(56) Increase in sugar production by microbiological inhibition of the Leuconostoc spp. and other bacteria

51. Number: INT/03/K09

PGTF input (US\$): 25,000 Other inputs (US\$): 30,000

Date of implementation: 2003-2004

<u>Impact</u>: An inhibitor was found to have superior effects over commercial disinfection products commonly used for microbial inhibition of sugar cane losses in the sugar production process.

(57) Information network to promote strategies of socio-economic development in South American camelids of Andean Countries

52. <u>Number</u>: INT/04/K02 <u>PGTF input</u>: US\$25,000

Other inputs: US\$44,200

Date of implementation: 2004-2006

<u>Impact</u>: Identified and linked up 315 institutions from Argentina, Bolivia, Ecuador and Peru involved in the management of South American camelids (SACs) (llamas, alpacas and similar species) with a view to sharing and disseminating national and regional work and research experiences in production and commercialization, aiding in the institutionalization of the agents involved in the implementation of strategies of socio-economic development of SACs in the Andean countries.

(58) Design of a system of management of used pesticide containers

53. <u>Number</u>: INT/04/K03 PGTF input: US\$25,000

Other inputs: US\$65,000 (estimated)
Date of implementation: 2004-2006

<u>Impact</u>: Developed a framework for the design of a system to manage the disposal of pesticide containers, with an emphasis on conservation and recycling of a non-renewable resource into many other useful products, with a view to reducing damage caused by inadequate disposal of pesticide containers and providing an alternative to incineration or dumping of empty pesticide containers.

(59) Development of new technologies and products for the whole utilization of marginal and primary yeasts as sources of food (YAF)

54. Number: INT/04/K04

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$245,000

Date of implementation: 2004-2005

Impact: Assessment at industrial scale of substitution of molasses by microbial growth enhancer (MGE) QZ-350 in yeast propagation. Two tons of molasses needed as medium enrichment per ton of yeast were fully substituted by 1 Kg of MGE, without significant variation of productive results and with lower yeast production costs.

(60) Regional integration of postal transportation in the Andean Community

55. <u>Number</u>: INT/04/K07

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$65,000

Date of implementation: 2005-2007

<u>Impact</u>: Proposed a regulatory and economic framework to facilitate the integration of multimode transportation in the Andean region with a view to improving the efficacy, quality, speed, reliability and safety of postal transportation.

(61) Training programme for the staff of some African Countries Member Chambers

56. Number: INT/05/K01
PGTF input (US\$): 24,700
Other inputs (US\$): 24,900
Date of implementation: 2005

<u>Impact</u>: A six-day training workshop held in Egypt offered training to staff from 12 African countries members of the Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry on the general functions of national chambers, computerized trade information systems; organization of national international exhibitions; and participation in industrial trade fairs.

(62) Training of Researchers for Seed Production, Processing and Inspection Methods in Developing Countries

57. Number: INT/05/K02

PGTF input (US\$): 45,000 Other inputs (US\$): 67,500 Date of implementation: 2005

<u>Impact</u>: 12 seed experts (from Ethiopia, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda and the Democratic Peoples' Republic of Korea) received training in the production of first-generation hybrid seed, its processing and inspection. Application of learned methods of seed production could increases crop production by 12 percent.

(63) Training of Groundnut Breeding Experts for the Effective Use of Groundnut Genetic Resources in the Developing Countries

58. <u>Number</u>: INT/05/K03

PGTF input (US\$): US\$45,000 Other inputs (US\$): US\$67,500 Date of implementation: 2005

Impact: A one-week training course for 10 participants from Guinea, Mali, Nigeria and Senegal was conducted in Guinea, including theoretical training and lectures, field practice and visits. Participants were familiarized with the technologies for breeding and cultivation of groundnuts, as well as with the establishment of groundnut breeding systems fit for their own specific conditions, and capacity building for the self-training of more and competent groundnut breeders.

(64) Strengthening development cooperation for poverty reduction between Viet Nam, Benin, Mozambique and the Republic of Congo

59. Number: INT/05/K06

PGTF input (US\$): 25,400 Other inputs (US\$): 40,000 Date of implementation: 2005

<u>Impact</u>: Potential fields of cooperation between Benin, Mozambique and Viet Nam were identified along with recommendations to further enhance development cooperation for poverty reduction in the future.

(65) Training of irrigation and drainage designers for protection from drought and flood damage in developing countries

60. <u>Number</u>: INT/06/K01

PGTF input: US\$34,827 Other inputs: US\$43,173

Date of implementation: 2005-2006

<u>Impact</u>: Participants from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Sudan, and Uganda received training in the preparation of master plans of irrigation and drainage, and to guide construction in accordance with their specific features for effectively using water resources.

(66) Training of experts on construction and operation of small-size hydropower plants in developing countries

61. <u>Number</u>: INT/06/K02

PGTF input: US\$30,000 Other inputs: US\$42,066 Date of implementation: 2006

<u>Impact</u>: Participants from Bangladesh, Cambodia, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Lao and Nepal received training in the construction and operation of small-size hydropower facilities to help achieve power self-sufficiency in rural and remote areas.

(67) Training of experts on standardization and metrology of developing countries

62. Number: INT/06/K03

PGTF input: US\$34,827 Other inputs: US\$43,173 Date of implementation: 2006

<u>Impact</u>: Participants from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Sudan and Uganda received training on developing standardization and metrology appropriate for the specific situation of the participating countries.

(68) Support to the MERCOSUR regional integration process

63. <u>Number</u>: INT/06/K05

PGTF input: US\$25,000 Other inputs: US\$41,000 Date of implementation: 2006

<u>Impact</u>: Experts, academicians and representatives of civil society participate in a regional forum that discussed proposals and recommendations to further the process of regional integration and analyzed the current situation and new challenges of MERCOSUR.

(69) Training programme for staff of national chambers of commerce of Middle Eastern countries

64. Number: INT/06/K06

PGTF input (US\$): 27,400 Other inputs (US\$): 33,000 Date of implementation: 2006

Impact: A six-day training workshop held in the State of Qatar offered training to staff from 12 Middle Easter countries members of the Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry on the general functions of national chambers, computerized trade information systems; organization of national international exhibitions; and participation in industrial trade fairs.

(70) International youth leadership training for promotion of South-South cooperation – 2nd Study session and training

65. Number: INT/06/K07

PGTF input: US\$30,000 Other inputs: US\$70,786 Date of implementation: 2006

<u>Impact</u>: Sixty (60) youth leaders and members of youth organisations from 21 developing countries participated in a workshop and study session that produced a statement and an action plan aimed at engaging youth organizations from developing countries in promoting South-South cooperation.

(71) First International Seminar on biosphere resources located in semi-arid regions

66. Number: INT/07/K01
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 45,000
Date of implementation: 2006

Impact: Representatives of the biosphere reserves of arid and semi-arid regions located in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Morocco, Mexico, Paraguay and Peru participated in an international seminar that identified and made recommendations to tackle common challenges in the management of biosphere reserves of arid and semi-arid regions.

THE PEREZ-GUERRERO TRUST FUND (PGTF) FOR ECDC/TCDC STATUS OF PGTF-FUNDED PROJECTS:

Approved, Authorized, Obligated and Amount available for Programming

Opening balance of unexpended resources as per financial statements as of 1 January 2007
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6,789,485.00

Add:	Member Countries' Contributions (yr. 2006 and 2007)	74,312.77
	Year 2006 Interest	271,505.00
	Projected interest 1 January -31 December 07	310,026.00

655,843.77

Total resources Available

7,445,328.77

	Total resources Available	
1)	Project disbursement /expenditure recorded in 2006 by UNDP Accounts and UNDP Treasury	
Less:	Project Disbursements Recorded in 2006	
INT/05/K06	Strengthening development cooperation for poverty reduction between Vietnam, Benin, Mozambique and the Republic of Congo	2,540
INT/05/K10	Latin American network for scientific and technical information on Vaccines	6,754
INT/05/K05	Exchange of experiences of Export Trade Promotion Organizations in the Andean Region	9,449
INT/01/K01	Quinoa a multipurpose crop for agro industrial usesin the Adean countries	9,692
INT/01/K07	Water and energy optimization in sugar and alcohol Integrated(WESAP)	(186)
INT/03/K04	Preventive(Peru) and Control Programme(Bolivia and Brazil) against antonymous Grandi boheman beaked	1,304
INT/00/K03	Agroforest Resources in Amazon Border Areas	175
INT/00/K08	Support to the Committee of Experts of PGTF, Phase III	2,176
INT/04/K05	Identification of international cooperation opportunities for the settlement of youth in small communities of Argentina, Chile and Uruguay	2,399
INT/04/K02	Information network to promote strategies of socio-economic development in South American Camelids of Andean Countries	10,800
INT/03/K07	Territorial imbalances and University Education: Impact of Territorial Imbalances on University Students Performance	500
INT/01/K02	Improving Awassi Sheep Productivity by Using Frozen Semen in Jordan and the Palestinian Authority	10,901
INT/03/K11	Development of Water Resources in the Badia Region (Jordan)	6,940
INT/01K03	Watershed Management in the Northern Badia Region (Sirhan Basin/Jordan) as an example for Dessertic Regions	7,435
INT/03/K01	Support to the Coordinating Secretariat of Zambisa-Malawi- Mozambique Growth Traingle (ZMM-GT) for the	33,722
INT/05/K04	Development of technological package aimed at developing opto- mechanical industries in Latin America	3,882
INT/06/K03	Training of Experts of Standardization and Metrology of Developing Countries	29,154
INT/06/K01	Training of Irrigation and Drainage Designers for Protecting the Drought and Flood Damage in Developing countries	33,846
INT/06/K02	Training of Experts of Construction and Operation of Small- Size Hydropower Plants of Developing countries	33,846
INT/98/K16	Strengthening Comp Capacities of MSMEs	8,348

INT/06/K06	Training Programme for Staff of National Chambers of Commerce of Middle Eastern Countries	24,650	
INT/06/K07	International Youth Leadership training for promotion of South-South Cooperation- 2 nd Study Session and Training	29,658	
INT/06/K05	Support to the MERCOSUR Regional Integration Process	22,275	
INT/06/K09	Harmonization of Norms and procedures for agronomic evaluation of commercial varieties in Peru, Columbia and Bolivia	3,156	
-	Unknown project	1,819	
	Total Project Costs	295,234.85	295,234.85
	Administrative Costs		1,054.00
	Other expenditure(Misc.)		699.00
	Total Expenditures		296,987.85

Unexpended Resources as of 31/12/06 (incl. yr. 2007 contr. & interest)

7,148,340.92

2) <u>Less Undisbursed authorizations/unrecorded expenditures</u>

Global System of Trade Preference among Developing Countries - Phase IV	(3,229.00)
Optimization of the Process for Obtaining Crude	(4,677.00)
Coop in Tech. Training & Dev re Primary Health Care in Lusophone African Cos. (project to be presumed closed)	2,965.00
South-South Transfer of Experiences (IICA) (Project closed)	4,814.00
Impact of Enhancing Env. Standards on Int. Trade of South Asian Cos. (project completed)	1,312.01
Impact of Enhancing Env. Standards on Int. Trade of South Asian Cos. (project completed)	1,312.01
Training of rice breeding experts	(535.00)
Women and Youth in the Sahel Region	(10,500.00)
Subregional Intellectual Property System	22,500.00
Support for Regional Remote Sensing Activities	45,000.00
A Kit for the Chagas Disease (project closed)	35,000.00
Development of Info Network & Database System NAM CSSTC (project completed)	3,000.00
Transportation Information for ALADI Mbr cos (projected completed)	2,475.00
Inland Fisheries Resources in the COMSA Reg.	34,200.00
Promotion of Alt Renewable energy sources in Africa COS (project closed)	12,525.53
Supp Comm Pilot Project -BKFS, Niger, Mali	19,254.60
Community Pilot - Burkina Faso	31,500.00
Transborder Pilot Project Mali, BFK, Niger	(29,700.00)
Programme of Prevention and Control against Guatemalan Moth of Potato"	14.29
Support to the Coordinating Secretariat of Zambisa-Malawi- Mozambique Growth Traingle (ZMM-GT) for the	29,278.00
Cooperation in Competitiveness Promotion and Adrean Fair Competition System	256.33
Preventive(Peru) and Control Programme(Bolivia and Brazil) against anthonomus Grandi boheman beaked Mexican	16,160.00
Increase in Sugar production by Microbiological Inhibition of Leuconostoc spp.and other Bacteria (project closed)	8,206.01
Caribbean Post Graduate Center	568.00
Development of Water Resources in the Badia Region (Jordan)	465.00
Strengthening South-SouthAfrica/Asia/Latin America and Caribbean	18,000.00
	Phase IV Optimization of the Process for Obtaining Crude Coop in Tech. Training & Dev re Primary Health Care in Lusophone African Cos. (project to be presumed closed) South-South Transfer of Experiences (IICA) (Project closed) Impact of Enhancing Env. Standards on Int. Trade of South Asian Cos. (project completed) Impact of Enhancing Env. Standards on Int. Trade of South Asian Cos. (project completed) Training of rice breeding experts Women and Youth in the Sahel Region Subregional Intellectual Property System Support for Regional Remote Sensing Activities A Kit for the Chagas Disease (project closed) Development of Info Network & Database System NAM CSSTC (project completed) Transportation Information for ALADI Mbr cos (projected completed) Inland Fisheries Resources in the COMSA Reg. Promotion of Alt Renewable energy sources in Africa COS (project closed) Supp Comm Pilot Project -BKFS, Niger, Mali Community Pilot - Burkina Faso Transborder Pilot Project Mali, BFK, Niger Programme of Prevention and Control against Guatemalan Moth of Potato' Support to the Coordinating Secretariat of Zambisa-Malawi-Mozambique Growth Traingle (ZMM-GT) for the Cooperation in Competitiveness Promotion and Adrean Fair Competition System Preventive(Peru) and Control Programme(Bolivia and Brazil) against anthonomus Grandi boheman beaked Mexican Increase in Sugar production by Microbiological Inhibition of Leuconostoc spp. and other Bacteria (project closed) Caribbean Post Graduate Center Development of Water Resources in the Badia Region (Jordan)

	Total	754,574.77
INT/00/K08	Support to the Committee of Experts of the Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund (Phase III)	30,000.00
INT/07/K10	Appropriate construction technologies, basic environmental drainage and alternative energies: Amazonian experience as a basis for implementing the "Red de Technologias Appropriadas de la Amazonia (RETAM- Amazonian Network of Appropriate Technologies"	27,000.00
INT/07/K08	Training and transfer of sea buckthorn technology to enhance sustainable development of developing countries	28,800.00
INT/07/K07	International cooperation of computational intelligence study research exchange in city informatization management	27,000.00
INT/07/K06	Building National clean Development Mechanism (CDM) capacity of developing countries to effectively harness small hydro power	29,700.00
INT/07/K05	Enhanced Diagnostic Capacity and Control Measures of Some Transboundary Animal Diseases With Emphasis on Pathology and Epidemiology of Johne's Disease/Paratuberculosis in Jordan, Egypt and Algeria	29,700.00
INT/07/K04	Training of Maize breeding experts for the effective use of maize genetic resources in developing countries	30,600.00
INT/07/K03	Training of experts of Standardization and metrology of Developing countries	27,000.00
INT/07/K02	Deployment of information retrieval systems towards Mercosur integration on WTO information related to technical barriers to trade	27,000.00
INT/07/K01	First International Seminar on biosphere resources located in semi- arid regions	31,500.00
INT/06/K11*	Strengthening of Coordination and Cooperation Among Countries for the Prevention of HIV/AIDS in the Americas Region	31,500.00
INT/06/K10*	Training, Consultation and Awareness for Small Hydropower Development in Mozambique, Uganda, Nigeria and Zimbabwe	31,500.00
unknown project	(\$312+\$2,171 + \$1,819)	(4,302)
INT/06/K09*	Harmonization of Norms and procedures for agronomic evaluation of commercial varieties in Peru, Columbia and Bolivia	23,844.00
INT/06/K08	Creation of a Rainwater Harvesting Model	27,000.00
INT/06/K05	Support to the MERCOSUR Regional Integration Process	225.00
INT/06/K04	Yeast and Yeast derivative production from Cheese Whey (YEWHEY)	27,000.00
INT/05/K10	Latin American network for scientific and technical information on Vaccines	5,821.00
INT/05/K05	Exchange of experiences of Export Trade Promotion Organizations in the Andean Region	11,684.00
INT/05/K04	Development of technological package aimed at developing optomechanical industries in Latin America	27,618.00
INT/04/K08	Development & strengthening of mechanisms for solving conflicts on shared natural resources in Karamajong ecosystem in East Africa	22,500.00
INT/04/K06	Technology Transfer: assessing needs and promoting action	1,000.00
INT/04/K05	Identification of international cooperation opportunities for the settlement of youth in small communities of Argentina, Chile and Uruguay	(3,827.00)
INT/04/K04	Development of new technologies and products for the whole utilization of marginal & primary yeast as a source of Food (YAF)	23.00
INT/04/K03	Design of a system of handling used pesticide containers	14,096.00
INT/04/K02	Information network to promote strategies of socio-economic development in South American Camelids of Andean Countries	11,700.00
INT/04/K01	Cooperation for Floriculture and Vegetable growing technology amaong developing countries	40.00
	Cooperation for economic and Social integration	

^{1.} Algeria, Brazil, Islamic Rep. Of Iran, Philippines, Singapore, South Africa, Trinidad & Tobago, Venezuela (January 2006 -July 2007)

Reserved resources (Fund Capital)¹

6,000,000.00 6,754,574.77

Total

Remaining Funds (7,148,340.92 - 6,754,352.77)

393,766.15

Less Obligated and Earmarked Fund Obligated ²

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Remaining Budget of approved projects (incl. Obligatory 10% retained to ensure reporting compliance)

INT/90/K08	Support to the PGTF Committee of Experts (final rev. rephasing to INT/00/K08)	(101,236.00)
INT/96/K02	Caribbean Regional	(4,500.00)
INT/97/K03	Integrated planning (* in the minus because ledger indicates that 10% disbursement was authorized in 2001)	(7,000.00)
INT/98/K05	Building tech.compet. In the area of conformity	-
INT/98/K09	Harmonization of agric.policies of the COMESA	(6,000.00)
INT/98/K11	Subregional Intellectual Property System	5,000.00
INT/98/K10	Technology Linkage thru Sharing & Coop in DC's	10,000.00
INT/98/K12	Regional remote sensing activities	5,000.00
INT/98/K14	Stats Service Unit/Access of WB Database	6,036.00
INT/98/K15	Macro-economic & sectoral coop.programme	50,000.00
INT/99K04	Inland Fisheries Resources in the COMESA Reg.	3,800.00
INT/99/K14	Support Comm Pilot Project - Burikina Faso	3,500.00
INT/00/K02	EPPP in Ethiopia	3,844.38
INT/00/K03	Agroforest in Amazon boarder areas	2,113.00
INT/00/K06	Asia Pacific Renaissance	2,500.00
INT/00/K09	Study of pesticides on crop products in LA	3,500.00
INT/00/K10	Prevention and Control against Guatemalan Moth of Potato"	3,000.00
INT/00/K11	Development of Communities in the Kalahara Desert	(3,500.00)
INT/00/K12	Strengthening livelihood of women potters	1,000.00
INT/00/K13	Transborder pilot project in Mali, BKF, Niger	3,300.00
INT/01/K01	Quinoa multipurpose crop in agroindustry. In Adean countries	8,041.00
INT/01/K02	Improving Awassi Sheep Frozen Semen (Jordan and Palestine)	18,169.00
INT/01/K03	Watershed Management Northern Badia Region (Sirhan Basin/Jordan)	65.00
INT/01/K05	Distributed Modeling of Pipe Networks (Jordan)	513.30
INT/01/K06	TA and support to PMDER) LAC Region - ALADI	(310.00)
INT/01/K07	Water and Energy Optimization, Sugar & Alcohol (WESAP) - ICIDCA	(3,199.67)
INT/03/K01	Support to the Coordinating Secretariat of Zambisa-Malawi- Mozambique Growth Traingle (ZMM-GT) for the	7,000.00
INT/03/K02	Cooperation in Competitiveness Promotion and Adrean Fair Competition System	2,000.00
INT/03/K03	Indicators Sysytem of information and Communication technologies for Statistics Conference of the America (SCA)	1,500.00
INT/03/K04	Preventive(Peru) and Control Programme(Bolivia and Brazil) against anthonomus Grandi boheman beaked Mexican	2,500.00
INT/03/K08	Training, Consultation and Awareness Building for small Hydro Power in Developing Countries	(4,000.00)
INT/03/K09	Increase in Sugar production by Microbiological Inhibition of Leuconostoc spp.and other Bacteria (project closed)	(356.00)
INT/03/K10	Caribbean Post Graduate Center	2,500.00

INT/03/K11	Development of Water Resources in the Badia Region (Jordan)	60.00
INT/03/K13	Training of Irrigation Designers for Undertaking the Work of Developing of the Water Resources in Developing Countries(project completed)	(4,000.00)
INT/03/K14	Strengthening South-SouthAfrica/Asia/Latin America and Caribbean Cooperation for economic and Social integration	4,000.00
INT/03/K15	Capacity Building in Bio-Safety for the Caribbean (project completed)	2,500.00
INT/04/K01	Cooperation for Floriculture and Vegetable growing technology amaong developing countries (completed)	(4,000.00)
INT/04/K02	Information network to promote strategies of socio-economic development in South American Camelids of Andean Countries	2,500.00
INT/04/K03	Design of a system of handling used pesticide containers	2,500.00
INT/04/K06	Technology Transfer: assessing needs and promoting action.	4,500.00
INT/04/K07	Regional integration of postal transportation in the Andean Community.	2,500.00
INT/04/K08	Development & strengthening of mechanisms for solving conflicts on shared natural resources in Karamajong ecosystem in East Africa.	2,500.00
INT/05/K01	Training programme for the staff of some African Countries Member Chambers	2,470.00
INT/05/K04	Development of technological package aimed at developing opto- mechanical industries in Latin America	3,500.00
INT/05/K05	Exchange of experiences of Export Trade Promotion Organizations in the Andean Region	2,750.00
INT/05/K10	Latin American network for scientific and technical information on Vaccines	3,500.00
INT/06/K01	Training of Irrigation and Drainage Designers for Protecting the Drought and Flood Damage in Developing countries	981.00
INT/06/K02	Training of Experts of Construction and Operation of Small- Size Hydropower Plants of Developing countries	846.00
INT/06/K03)	Training of Experts of Standardization and Metrology of Developing Countries	981.00
INT/06/K04	Yeast and Yeast derivative production from Cheese Whey (YEWHEY)	3,000.00
INT/06/K05	Support to the MERCOSUR Regional Integration Process	2,500.00
INT/06/K06	Training Programme for Staff of National Chambers of Commerce of Middle Eastern Countries	2,750.00
INT/06/K07*	International Youth Leadership training for promotion of South-South Cooperation- 2 nd Study Session and Training	342.00
INT/06/K08)	Creation of a Rainwater Harvesting Model	3,000.00
INT/06/K09*	Harmonization of Norms and procedures for agronomic evaluation of commercial varieties in Peru, Columbia and Bolivia	3,000.00
INT/06/K10*	Training, Consultation and Awareness for Small Hydropower Development in Mozambique, Uganda, Nigeria and Zimbabwe	3,500.00
INT/06/K11*	Strengthening of Coordination and Cooperation Among Countries for the Prevention of HIV/AIDS in the Americas Region	3,500.00
INT/07/K01	First International Seminar on biosphere resources located in semi- arid regions	3,500.00
INT/07/K02	Deployment of information retrieval systems towards Mercosur integration on WTO information related to technical barriers to trade	3,000.00
INT/07/K03	Training of experts of Standardization and metrology of Developing countries	3,000.00
INT/07/K04	Training of Maize breeding experts for the effective use of maize genetic resources in developing countries	3,400.00
INT/07/K05	Enhanced Diagnostic Capacity and Control Measures of Some Transboundary Animal Diseases With Emphasis on Pathology and Epidemiology of Johne's Disease/Paratuberculosis in Jordan, Egypt and Algeria	3,300.00
INT/07/K06	Building National clean Development Mechanism (CDM) capacity of developing countries to effectively harness small hydro power	3,300.00
INT/07/K07	International cooperation of computational intelligence study	3,000.00

INT/07/K08	research exchange in city informatization management Training and transfer of sea buckthorn technology to enhance sustainable development of developing countries	3,200.00
INT/07/K10	Appropriate construction technologies, basic environmental drainage and alternative energies: Amazonian experience as a basis for implementing the "Red de Technologias Appropriadas de la Amazonia (RETAM- Amazonian Network of Appropriate	3,000.00
	Technologies" Total Obligated Funds	93,160.01

Earmarked funds approved ³

INT/98/K05	Building Tech Comp Conformity Ass in LA	(50,000.00)
	,	(50,000.00)
INT/99/K08	HRD &Training Int Trade for member states of CEMAC	(22,000.00)
INT/99/K11	Support Bali POA of the G-77	(30,000.00)
INT/01/K08	Multilateral Trading System Training centre, Egypt	(86,000.00)
INT/03/K12	`Reviving Low Cost Mud Adobe House for poor Urban and Rural Communities	(40,000.00)
INT/05/K07	Technical studies for the improvement of the In- Guezam (Algeria)-Arlit(Niger) section of the trans-Saharan route	35,000.00
INT/05/K08	Development and integration of the International Offices of the Ministries of Health of South America	18,200.00
INT/05/K09	Extension course on Technological Innovation Management	24,500.00
INT/07/K09	Environmentally friendly integrated production of sugar and by- products	30,000.00
	Total Earmarked Funds	(120,300.00)

Total Obligated and Earmarked Funds

(27,139.99)

Available for new projects 4 (393,766.15 +27,139.99)

420,906.14

- 1. Deposited in long-term high yield bonds
- 2. Signed project documents/subcontract documents finalized
- 3. Commitments where the project documents are to be finalized/budget revisions to be prepared
- 4. This figure includes projected interest for 1 Jan-31 December 2005
- * Project document sent for implementation but no ASL established yet