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(a) Report on activities of the 2002-2003 programme

Note by the Secretary-General

SUMMARY

Executive summary: This document refers the Council to document TC 53/2/1, which will be considered by the Technical Co-operation Committee (TCC) at its fifty-third session and which sets out, in its annex, a report on the status of implementation of the technical co-operation activities that are being financed or co-financed by the Technical Co-operation Fund (TC Fund) during the 2002-2003 biennium.

Action to be taken: The Council is invited to take note of the information provided in the annex to document TC 53/2/1.

Related documents: C 86/11(b), C/ES.21/6, TC 53/2/1

1 It is recalled that the TCC and the Council, at their fiftieth and eighty-sixth sessions respectively, approved preliminary financing or co-financing from the TC Fund to support the core activities of the ITCP for 2002-2003 (document C 86/11(b)). At its twenty-first extraordinary session, the Council approved also the Secretary-General's proposals for the use of the un-programmed reserves of the TC Fund during the biennium (document C/ES.21/6). Subsequently, at its twenty-second session, the Assembly increased the financing approved for the latter proposals so as to provide for the rapid and effective delivery of maritime security assistance, as well as other technical co-operation activities.

2 In accordance with the current Rules of Operation of the TC Fund¹, a report is submitted annually to the TCC and the Council on the status of implementation of the activities being supported by the TC Fund. The Council has traditionally considered such reports after they have been first examined by the TCC. However, as of this year, the TCC will be meeting prior to the Council's sessions and, therefore, the report on the status of the ITCP activities being supported by the TC Fund during 2002-2003 is provided in the annex to document TC 53/2/1, which will be considered by the TCC at its forthcoming fifty-third session (11-12 June 2003) and subsequently by the Council at its present session.

¹ See Rule 14 (document TC 50/3).

Action requested of the Council

3 The Council is accordingly invited to take note of the report on the activities of the TC Fund programme for 2002-2003 contained in the annex to document TC 53/2/1.
