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Preparatory & Reference Documentation on the World Summit for Children: this reference book contains background & preparation material for the World Summit in Five Chapters: 1-The Planning Committee; 2-Schedule & Program of the World Summit for Children; 3-draft Declaration of the World Summit for Children and draft Plan of Action; 4-Report of Meetings; 5-UNICEF Executive Board

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Introduction

The documentation in this package provides Governments with a comprehensive background to the World Summit for Children.

The first section of this package includes a list of the current membership of the Planning Committee, which is composed of Personal Representatives of Heads of State or Government, and the remaining schedule of meetings and activities.

The six Initiating Governments (Canada, Egypt, Mali, Mexico, Pakistan and Sweden) have been deeply involved in this process for over a year, and the Planning Committee -- now numbering some 30 Governments -- has been meeting regularly since early January, along with two Working Groups which it established to develop the political documents for the Summit and to design the format for the meeting.

The results of these efforts are reflected in the three principal documents which are enclosed in the second and third sections of this package: the Schedule and Programme for the Summit weekend, and drafts of the Declaration and Plan of Action proposed for adoption by the World Summit. Governments will want to give particular attention to these documents.

The processes and deliberations which contributed to the development of these principal documents are reflected in the fourth section of this package: the Reports of meetings of the Planning Committee and its two Working Groups, along with the original Statement of Agreement by the six Initiating Governments and the Secretary-General's letter of invitation to participate in the Summit, on behalf of the Initiators. It would be helpful for Governments to review these Reports to establish a full understanding and appreciation of the considerations which have led to the conclusions reflected in the Declaration, Plan of Action, and Schedule and Programme.

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The fifth section includes documentation of the UNICEF Executive Board, which considered the initiative of the World Summit in December 1989, endorsed it, and authorized UNICEF to provide Secretariat support for the initiative, as requested by the Initiators.

Finally, the supplemental folder includes various **information materials** which have been issued in relation to the World Summit and to the world-wide programme of Summit-related Mobilization activities which UNICEF has undertaken in order to derive maximum benefit for children as a result of the Summit initiative. We would be pleased to work with Government authorities to provide bulk quantities of materials to assist Governments in preparations and promotion for the World Summit for Children.

The Summit Secretariat stands ready to be of any assistance and to provide any further information or explanation of the process which leads to the world's first global summit -- an historic opportunity for the nations of the world to enhance political commitment for the benefit of children.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Shower". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the left.

Michael Shower
Executive Secretary

New York
July 1990

NOTE

Two copies of this Reference Book are provided to each Government. We regret that we are unable to provide additional copies; Governments are invited to reproduce the contents.