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Tentative Schedule of Discussions

<u>Date</u>	<u>Session</u>	<u>Agenda items</u>	<u>Agenda names and document numbers</u>
Monday 19 June	10:30-12:30	WS 1 ✓	Adoption of the agenda (SA/1989/1/ and SA/1989/1/Add.1)
		WS 2 ✓	Survey of work plans (oral reports)
		RR 17 ✓	Follow up to decisions of the Statistical Commission at its twenty-fifth session (1989) (SA/1989/24)
		WS 3 ✓	Publication and dissemination policy, including co-ordination of statistical data bases (SA/1989/2, SA/1989/3 and SA/1989/4 and Add.)
	2:30-5:00	3	Cont'd.
		7 ✓	Processing and dissemination of trade statistics (SA/1989/7 and SA/1989/8) P
		IMF 8	External debt statistics (SA/1989/9 and Add.)
		NS 9	Revision of the System of National Accounts (SNA) (SA/1989/10)
		NS 10	Service statistics (SA/1989/11)
	Tuesday 20 June	10:00-12:30	WS 11
		16	Co-ordination of on-going statistical programmes (SA/1989/17) and add. 1, 2.
		WS 16 (a)	Population and housing censuses (SA/1989/17 part)
		WS 16 (b)	Civil registration and vital statistics (SA/1989/17 part)
		WS 16 (c)	Social statistics and indicators (SA/1989/17 part)
	WS 16 (d)	Indicative patterns of consumption (SA/1989/20)	

No-one wanted to be hard to introduce - did seem known to some people

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② transfer ① Add program report

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Tuesday	2:30-5:00		16	Cont'd.	<i>Not used</i>
20 June		<i>WFO</i>	16 (e)	Tourism and migration statistics (SA/1989/17 part and SA/1989/21) <i>SA/1989/16 (e) WFO</i>	<i>Not used</i>
		<i>WS</i>	16 (f)	Environment statistics (SA/1989/17 part, SA/1989/22)	<i>Add!</i>
		<i>ILO</i>	16 (g)	Status in employment classification (SA/1989/23)	
		<i>etc</i>	12	Statistical implications of the single-market of the European Economic Community (SA/1989/13)	
Wednesday	10:00-12:30	<i>WS</i>	4	Co-ordination of technical co-operation in statistics (SA/1989/5 and Add.)	<i>ESWA - No added by RR</i>
21 June		<i>WS</i>	14	National Household Survey Capability Programme (NHSCP) (SA/1989/15)	<i>Not used by RR AF</i> <i>2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 11, 15</i> <i>SA/1989/Add 9</i>
		<i>WFO</i>	15	Living Standards Measurement Study (LSMS) and Social Dimensions of Adjustment Study (SA/1989/16)	<i>ERAC Unnumbered</i>
		<i>WS FAO ILO WHO</i>	13	Monitoring achievement of social goals in the 1990s (SA/1989/14, SA/1989/18, SA/1989/19)	<i>SA/1989/25 (ILO)</i>
	2:30-5:00	<i>RR</i>	5	Co-ordination of <u>ad hoc</u> statistical inquiries to countries from non-statistical units of international organizations (SA/1989/6)	<i>UNEP UNDP</i>
		<i>RR</i>	6	Review of the base year for international statistics (oral)	
			18	Other business	
		<i>ERAC</i>	18 (a)	Conditions for receipt of statistical data from countries (oral)	
		<i>UNESCO</i>	18 (b)	Timeliness of statistical publications (oral)	
			19	Time and place of the twenty-fourth session	
Thursday	NO MEETING SCHEDULED				
22 June					
Friday	10:00-12:30		20	Adoption of the report of the twenty-third session including the provisional agenda for the twenty-fourth session	
23 June					
	2:30-5:00		20	Cont'd. (if necessary)	

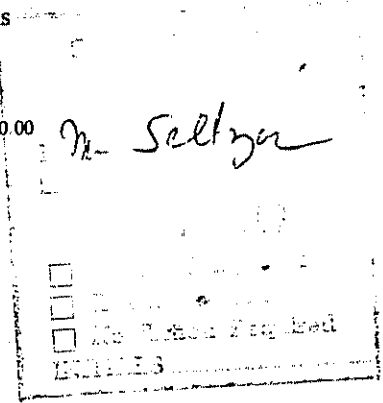
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Dear Mr. Seltzer,

We have just received our copy of your 1985/86 Statistical Yearbook, and wish to thank you for it. As you know, our Office has a statistical documentation centre which holds, among other items, most of the statistical publications of the U.N. and of the specialized agencies, and I think that it would not be an exaggeration to state that the U.N. Statistical Yearbook is one of the most frequently consulted publications which we have.

I should, however, like to take this opportunity to raise with you a serious problem as concerns the timeliness of the data which you publish in the Statistical Yearbook, particularly as concerns Unesco. In checking our files, I have found that the Unesco data included in the 1985/86 U.N. Statistical Yearbook, were taken from our own 1986 Yearbook. They were requested by you on 27/8/86; we forwarded them to you on the 17/9/1986, and they were duly incorporated into your 1985/86 Statistical Yearbook which came out only at the end of 1988.

I am sure that you will agree with me that when for many countries, the data shown relate to 1984 and are published by you only in 1988, the timeliness does not reflect very well either on the United Nations or on Unesco, and I am wondering what steps might be taken so that we might reduce the gap between the reference year of the data which we provide and the year in which they are published in your Statistical Yearbook.

One thought has come to my mind, namely, that we might find it useful to consider in the proposed draft agenda for the forthcoming session of the ACC Sub-Committee on Statistical Activities, which will be held in Geneva from 19 to 23 June, the general problem of timeliness of statistical publications and on ways to speed up the publication of data. If you would agree to adding this item to the draft agenda, I am sure that a most useful and hopefully constructive discussion could be foreseen.

Yours sincerely,

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