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Strategy

In addition to updating the directory of national focal points for women and the directory of focal points for women within the United Nations system, directories will be prepared on focal points in both intergovernmental and international non-governmental organizations. Efforts will be made, particularly at the regional level, to assist national focal points in developing their information networks by providing advisory services and training. A computerized resource centre will be established to collect, classify, store and retrieve information.

A concerted effort will be made, within each organization and system-wide through the Joint United Nations Information Committee (JUNIC), to ensure that substantive research, results of policy discussions at the intergovernmental level, national experiences and the results of technical co-operation reach public information specialists in the various organizations. Information bulletins and newsletters will be published and distributed world wide, and non-governmental organizations and other organizations, including those in the United Nations system, will be encouraged to exchange their information materials. Organizations of the United Nations system and non-governmental organizations will continue to co-operate through the JUNIC/NGO Programme Group on Women in producing, disseminating and evaluating a series of development education kits on women. To improve dissemination, efforts will be made to better utilize the United Nations information centres and the networks maintained by public information programmes of the specialized agencies, and to increase contacts with the media at the national and regional levels. Subject to the establishment of an electronic information network, women's issues will become an integral part of the information flow by having, for example, data bases on information about women built into the network, and by ensuring that women, especially women working in the media, and women's organizations, are targeted as end-users (see also subprogramme 1.2).

The organizations primarily responsible for implementing this subprogramme are the United Nations (DPI, CSDHA, ESCAP, ECLAC, ESCWA), INSTRAW, ILO, FAO and UNESCO.

Subprogramme 5.3 Research, policy analysis and dissemination

Intergovernmental objectives

(i) To apply innovative methods of research and analysis to emerging women's issues as a basis for developing policies and programmes at the national, regional and interregional levels to promote the advancement of women and greater equity between men and women;

(ii) To disseminate widely, in the appropriate media, research and technical findings on women and development for use in policy-making and to encourage the participation of women and women's organizations in the collection and dissemination of this information.

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