Implementation of GC22 Resolutions

Note by the Secretariat

1. Of the 11 resolutions adopted at GC22, only three call for action by the Secretariat in consultation or in conjunction with the CPR. These are:
   a. 22/5 – Governance of the United Nations Human Settlement Programme
   b. 22/7 Work programme and budget of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme for the biennium 2010-2011.
   c. 22/10 – World Urban Forum

2. The implementation of the other eight resolutions require no immediate action, inputs or review or consultation by/with the CPR, in fact the Secretariat is only requested to report on their implementation to the 23rd session of the GC in 2011. The Secretariat of course has the option during the course of the inter-sessional period to go back to the CPR on these resolutions, particularly to elicit financial support for their implementation or simply to inform the CPR on progress achieved. Similarly, the CPR may request to be informed of the same progress. But there is no specific call in these eight resolutions for obligatory review, inputs or consultations by the CPR.

3. As far as business and policy of UN-Habitat is concerned, the GC22 with a relatively fewer number of critical business in its calendar, may be regarded a signpost towards GC23, with one of its resolutions being referred to the GA for approval. The calendar of the biennium will therefore be devoted more to implementation of the MTSIP and its mid-term review, including ERSO and the review on Governance. The Governance review may in fact be more appropriately dealt with within the overall framework of the MTSIP since the resolution came out of OP12 of Resolution 21/2 on the MTSIP.

4. In the light of the above, the following work plan for the Secretariat and for the CPR and its working groups is proposed:
   a) That the Working Group on MTSIP starts first since it deals with the important components of ERSO, peer review, and country level activities. Once the plan of action has been reviewed, it should set the platform for the Work programme and budget for the 2011-2013 to start towards the end of 2009. This should afford the opportunity to increase the alignment of the MTSIP and the Strategic framework.
b) The governance review, which is an integral part of the MTSIP, will be addressed first from mid June 2008 onwards in an open ended contact group consisting of interested CPR members and a core group representing all regional groups in order to speed up the discussions before presenting the outcome to the CPR. A concept paper for the review will be tabled for the informal consultations in the contact group, and a fully fledged Terms of Reference for the process completed and presented to the 24 September CPR meeting.

c) With only eight months left to the Fifth session of the World Urban Forum in March 2010, the preparations for the Forum should be given strong attention in the last quarter of 2009. Due to the tight schedule ahead for the preparations, the establishment of an open ended contact group consisting of interested CPR members and a core group representing all regional groups is proposed to work on the implementation of resolution 22/10. The contact group may work on the basis of the initial assessment draft report prepared by the Secretariat, and the Terms of Reference outlined in the resolution before presenting a revised draft lessons learned report to the CPR on 24 September 2009.

5. At the regular CPR meeting of 24 September 2009, the Chair of the respective working group will report on the outcome of work on resolution 22/5 and 22/10.

6. In scheduling working group meetings to deal with the matters at hand, the emphasis should be on a limited number of meetings which will lead to a final decision to be formally endorsed by subsequent CPR meetings. For this strategy to succeed, the Secretariat will circulate proposals sufficiently in advance of these meetings. This is to allow for ample consultations between, and review by Governments, and for possible written comments which can be incorporated in a final draft report.

7. In the light of the above, the following schedule of meetings is proposed:

**11 June 2009 – 33rd CPR**
- June 22  WG — MTSIP
- July 1    WG — WUF
- September 16  WG — MTSIP

**24 September 2009 – 34th CPR**
- October 7  WG — MTSIP
- October 21 WG — WUF5 preparations
- October 28 WG — Work programme and budget
- November 4 WG — MTSIP
- November 18 WG — Work programme and budget

**3 December 2009 – 35th CPR**
- January 20, 2010  WG — Work programme and budget
- February 3, 2010  WG — WUF 5 preparations
- February 17, 2010 WG — MTSIP

**March 2010 – 36th CPR**

**Important date:**
- Fifth session of the World Urban Forum, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
  - 22 – 26 March 2010