

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS TECHNICAL EXPERT GROUP (BOPTTEG)

OUTCOME PAPER (BOPTTEG) # 22

DECEMBER 2004

(1) Topic: **Treatment of Technical Assistance**

(2) Issues – see BOPTTEG Issues Paper # 22 (IMF)

(3) Recommendations:

(i) It was agreed that provision of technical assistance should be recorded as supply of a service funded by a transfer.

(ii) It was agreed that more detail should be spelled out, such as valuation at cost, classification of associated flows (e.g., travel, government services n.i.e.), the scope of assistance (e.g., military).

(4) Rejected Alternatives:

None.

(5) Questions for the Committee:

(i) *Does the Committee agree with the proposed treatment of technical assistance?*