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SPECIAL MEETING ON THE MINING INDUSTRY

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The Economic Commission for Latin America.

Considering:

(a) That the mining industry is one of the most important in Latin America;

(b) That in many cases Latin America's mineral wealth cannot be opportunely and efficiently utilized for want of mineralogical studies and of the preliminary prospecting necessary for large-scale production when this is appropriate or feasible;

(c) That it is necessary to sponsor special meetings for the study and discussion of the particular problems of the mining industry, in view of the fact that they concern most of the Latin American countries, in the same way that special meetings have already been organized and held for the purpose of considering problems of other specialized industries,

Decides:

1. To recommend to the member Governments that they submit
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requests to the technical agencies of the United Nations or other agencies for studies to be carried out, in collaboration with the geological services of the countries concerned, on general and economic geology and on the determination of mineral reserves in Latin America, especially in countries where adequate surveys of this kind have not yet been made, with a view to increasing the production of such minerals as contribute to economic development;

2. To recommend to the secretariat that, in collaboration with the Technical Assistance Administration and other interested agencies, it sponsor a special meeting on the mining industry in Latin America, for the purpose of studying, considering and recommending suitable measures for the improvement of this industry; and that to this end it prepare a provisional agenda and invite the interested Governments and private industry to carry out studies on the problems which will be discussed, and submit them before the meeting.