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## INTER-GOVERNMENTAL COMMODITY AGREEMENTS

Resolution of 24 June 1948

THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA

CONSIDERING

1. That Chapter VI of the Havana Charter on "Inter-governmental Commodity Agreements", recognized that the conditions under which primary commodities are produced, exchanged, and consumed are such that international trade in these commodities may be affected by special difficulties such as a tendency towards persistent disequilibrium between production and consumption, the accumulation of burdensome surpluses and pronounced fluctuations in prices: that these special difficulties may have serious adverse effects on the interests of producers and consumers as well as widespread repercussions jeopardizing the general policy of economic expansion; that such difficulties may be avoided through special treatment of international trade in such commodities by means of inter-governmental agreements;
2. That the Economic Commission for Latin America should give its support to any measure likely to solve problems which are common to the American Continent, the effects of which affect the entire world;

RECOMMENDS to the governments which signed the Final Act of Havana that the principles and practices set forth in Chapter VI of the Havana Charter, under the heading of "Inter-governmental Commodity Agreements", should be adopted in relation to treatment of primary commodities.

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