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THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA

CONSIDERING

- a) the growing importance of the chemical industry in the economies of the Latin-American countries, as evidenced by the impetus of its growth during recent years, the increase of imports of chemical products and the important role of fertilizers in agriculture;
- b) the difficulties presented by the transportation of certain finished chemical products, such as acids;
- c) the existence in various Latin-American countries of raw materials which can be utilized in various chemical industries but which, owing to their characteristics, in many cases may require study of special methods of processing;

REAFFIRMS resolution 10 (IV), adopted during the Fourth Session held at Mexico City in 1951, concerning the study of the chemical industry;

RECOMMENDS THAT THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

- a) Initiate, as soon as possible, technical and economic

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studies relating to various chemical industries, following a method similar to that used in the iron and steel studies, and, with respect to the transportation of chemicals, taking into account the studies of other United Nations bodies;

- b) give priority to studies relating to basic chemical products such as acids and alkalis and to those other products which in comprise the largest import items in the region as a whole.