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## PART V

### PROGRAMME OF WORK AND PRIORITIES

#### INTRODUCTION

At its tenth session, the Commission approved a new form of presentation of the work programme to facilitate its incorporation into the new functional classification approved provisionally by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 936 (XXXV). The programme laid down at the tenth session governs the work of the Commission until its next session early in 1965, with the modifications introduced by the Committee of the Whole.

In reviewing the programme, due attention was paid to the basic directives of the General Assembly and of the Economic and Social Council and, in particular, to General Assembly resolutions 1917 (XVIII) on housing, building and planning; 1932 (XVIII) on means of promoting agrarian reform; 1939 (XVIII) on planning for economic development; 1940 (XVIII) on activities in the field of industrial development; and to the Economic and Social Council resolution 990 (XXXVI) on the work programme in the economic, social and human rights fields.

In accordance with the policy laid down in paragraph 17 of the annex to Economic and Social Council resolution 693 (XXVI), the secretariat has continued to enlist the co-operation of such bodies as universities, national private or public institutions and non-governmental organizations, in order to make the most effective use of its resources. Details of this co-operation appear in Part I of this annual report and under the different projects in the work programme.

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## REVIEW OF THE WORK PROGRAMME

The Commission noted that a number of projects had been completed since the tenth session; no new projects were introduced for 1964, but two were eliminated since they fall within the programme of the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning. Changes were made in several projects in the light of decisions taken by the different sub-committees of the Central American Economic Co-operation Committee. In one or two cases, changes were introduced in order to bring the projects more into harmony with the decisions taken at the tenth session.

### A. Projects completed\*

- 02-53 Preparatory seminar on the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
- 04-711 Seminar on Central American uniform customs code and tariff legislation
- 04-712 Course on administration of development programmes in Central America
- 04-713 National intensive courses on the application of the General Treaty on Economic Integration (Central America)
- 04-714 Workshop on budget administration for Central American countries
- 05-113 Analysis of the prospects for steel-making in Uruguay
- 05-121 Basic equipment in Argentina

### B. Projects that have been eliminated\*

- 01-05 The industrial enterprise as a social institution in Latin America
- 01-06 The agricultural enterprise as a social institution in Latin America

### C. Projects that have been modified

- 00-21 Joint Tax Program

This project will also embody former project No. 00-211, Joint Tax Program - country studies.

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\* The numbers correspond to those contained in document E/3766/Rev.2.

04-1 Central American trade

The titles and scope of the two sub-projects under this heading have been modified in accordance with decisions taken at the special session of the Central American Trade Sub-Committee held in January 1964, as follows:

- 04-11 former title "Economic and fiscal effects of the establishment of a customs union" changed to Central American customs union

Description: The main problems involved in the establishment of a customs union in the region will be examined, from the point of view of development and of economic integration. Problems relating to the organization and operation of a customs union will be included, as well as the distribution of fiscal revenue deriving from customs collections and possible systems of compensation.

- 04-12 former title "Prospects for increasing and consolidating exports" changed to Trade Policy and links between Central America and the rest of the world

Description: An analysis will be made of the economic liaison policy within the framework of Central American integration and the forging of possible links between the Central American common market and ALAIC.

04-2 Industrial development

With a view to consolidating the work on industrial development and bringing it more into harmony with the requirements of the resolutions adopted at the tenth session [222 (X), 227 (X) and 234 (X)] the four sub-projects contained under this heading have been consolidated into two. These projects were:

- 04-21 Natural resources  
04-22 New industrial possibilities within the common market  
04-23 Skilled manpower needs of the industrial sector  
04-24 Location trends for industrial activities

The two consolidated projects are:

- 04-21 Problems of industrial policy in Central America

Description: This study is designed to systematize and specify the alignments and complementary measures for the instruments in force and to specify criteria and regional priorities for investment.

04-22 Industrial development of Central America

Description: The industrial structure of the Central American countries is being studied, with special reference to new industrial prospects within the common market and problems of location of industrial activity in Central America, together with the effects of the economic integration process on the activity.

04-3 Agricultural development

Two studies were included under this project, as follows:

04-31 Analysis and projections of demand for agricultural commodities

04-32 Marketing systems for agricultural products subject to temporary restrictions on free-trade regimes under the General Treaty.

These have been broken down into the following sub-projects:

04-31 Activities carried out in connexion with agricultural development in Central America and Panama

04-32 Present conditions of agriculture in Central America and future prospects

04-33 Agricultural commodities and free trade

04-34 Foreign trade policy and agricultural development

04-35 The role of agriculture and its prospects within Central American economic integration

04-36 Demand for agricultural commodities and possibilities for import substitution

04-37 Land use in Central America

04-38 Land tenure and agricultural working conditions in Central America

04-4 Economic infrastructure

04-4.1 Transport

As a result of decisions taken at the second session of the Transport Sub-Committee, the two sub-projects under this heading have been modified and expanded. They were:

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- 04-411 Present conditions of transport in Central America
- 04-412 Transport costs and operating conditions in Central America

which now become:

- 04-411 Study of the development policy for transport within the Central American common market
- 04-412 Study on transport services and costs in Central America
- 04-413 Technical and economic aspects of road development in Central America
- 04-414 Study on ports and maritime transport in Central America

04-42 Electric power

On the basis of decisions taken at the second session of the Electric Power Sub-Committee, project 04-422 was eliminated and the titles of the two remaining projects were modified, together with the numeration, as follows:

04-421 Study on inter-connexion of electric power systems has been changed to:

04-421 Combined development and inter-connexion of electricity systems between countries

while

04-423 Study on the evaluation of available water resources in the region

has been changed to:

04-422 Water resources in Central America and Panama

04-64 Second session of the Housing, Building and Planning Sub-Committee

This session in June 1963 resulted in the modification of the programme which had consisted of the following projects:

04-641 Intensification and regional co-ordination of low-cost housing programmes

04-642 Problems and effects of urban development

04-643 Prospects for trade in building materials produced in the Central American countries

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- 04-641 Programming of housing and its harmonization with economic development plans
- 04-642 External and domestic financing of housing programmes
- 04-643 Prospects for expanding or installing new factories producing building materials which are of interest to Central America
- 04-644 Study on co-ordination and harmonization of legal rules and regulations concerning tenders, awarding of contracts and the exercising of building activities
- 04-645 Promotion of rural housing
- 04-646 Availability and prices of urban land
- 04-71 Advanced School of Public Administration for Central America (ESAPAC)

Having completed the programme of seminars and courses for 1963, ESAPAC's programme for 1964 has been indicated, as follows:

- 04-711 Seminar on fiscal administration
- 04-712 Seminar on administration of agricultural development programmes
- 04-713 Seminar on administration of statistics
- 04-714 National courses on administrative techniques for applying the uniform customs code
- 04-715 National courses on fiscal incentives
- 04-716 Regional training course on fiscal administration
- 04-717 Regional training course on administration of agricultural development programmes
- 04-718 National courses on administrative techniques for improving the structure and procedures of agencies responsible for carrying out agricultural development programmes
- 04-719 National courses on administrative techniques for economic development programmes
- 04-720 National courses on budget techniques
- 04-721 Regional training course on administration of statistics

05-12 Basic equipment industries

Through the completion of project 05-121 the numeration of the other sub-projects has been modified accordingly i.e. 05-122 becomes 05-121 and so on successively.

06-01 Studies on comparative agricultural productivity in the various Latin American countries

This project has been modified to include research on agricultural inputs, as follows:

Principal physical agricultural inputs and their relationship with agricultural productivity within the framework of regional integration

Description: This project calls for research on the main factors which determine the level of demand for fertilizers, chemical and biological products for agriculture and animal husbandry, agricultural machinery and certified seed, as well as on the supply of these inputs. Obstacles to greater intra-regional trade in these products should be indentified, together with the possible location of industrial plants for producing these goods within the framework of regional integration, with a view to substituting imports from outside the area and to meeting future increases in consumption.

06-2 Expansion of intra-regional trade in agricultural products

This project has been modified to cover the expansion of over-all trade in agricultural products, and therefore the word "intra-regional" has been deleted, so that the title now reads:

Expansion of trade in agricultural products

D. Projects on which little or no specific work has been done since the tenth session

The need to concentrate resources on the preparation for the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and on the Central American economic integration programme has meant that there are still a large number of projects on which little or no work has been done since the tenth session. However, every effort is being made to advance in other areas and this is reflected in descriptions given of the work in hand.

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## IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WORK PROGRAMME

On previous occasions, the Commission has authorized the Executive Secretary, in dealing with the different work projects, to use available resources to arrange for such conferences, expert working groups and meetings or panels of experts as he may consider necessary, providing that prior approval has been obtained from the Government concerned and consultations with the appropriate specialized agencies have taken place. The Commission wished the Executive Secretary to continue that policy.

Although it is desirable to have as stable a work programme as possible, unforeseen factors may make it necessary to abandon certain projects or to establish different priorities. For that reason, the Commission, as in the past, wished to leave it to the discretion of the Executive Secretary to modify or defer projects or alter the order of priority within the approved programme, should such unforeseen developments make it necessary.

### EXPLANATORY NOTES

The programme of work is divided into nine broad sections, dealing respectively with the following questions: economic development and research; social development; trade and integration; industrial development; economic problems of agriculture (projects undertaken in collaboration with FAO); natural resources, including energy; transport; statistics; and other projects. One project, relating to the technical assistance programme, covers various fields of activity and is therefore given separately at the end of the programme.

The programme is presented in three columns, as follows:

1. The number of the project. A numbering system has been introduced which makes it easier to identify major projects and sub-projects under the different headings.
2. The priority group. The projects are classified in three groups in accordance with resolution 402 B (XIII) of the Economic and Social Council. Group 1 relates to continuing projects and activities of high priority, group 2 covers high priority ad hoc projects, and group 3, other projects.
3. Title of project, authority and description. In this column, the corresponding resolutions are listed beneath the title of each project. When the same resolutions apply to several consecutive projects or sub-projects, they are listed only the first time, with an indication in parentheses of the succeeding projects to which the same resolutions apply. Resolutions of the Committee of the Whole are identified by an arabic numeral indicating the serial number, followed by the appropriate committee symbol in parentheses. Resolutions of the Central American Economic Co-operation Committee are identified by the abbreviation "CCE" and the number of the resolution. Trade Committee resolutions are identified by an arabic numeral followed by a roman numeral in parentheses indicating the session at which they were adopted.

## ANNOTATED LIST OF PROJECTS

### 00. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
00-0	1	<u>Current economic situation</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 7 (IV), 32 (IV), 44 (V), 79 (VI) and 211 (IX).
00-01	1	<u>Economic Survey of Latin America</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 7 (IV), 44 (V), 79 (VI) and 211 (IX).  <u>Description:</u> This is an annual publication which in 1962, under the terms of the agreement reached with OAS in 1961, was prepared as a joint project, OAS being the executing agency.  The 1961 agreement has since been reviewed and, by mutual agreement, OAS and ECLA will undertake joint research for the annual <u>Survey</u> but will publish their findings separately. Accordingly ECLA is now proceeding with the preparation of the <u>Survey</u> for 1963, which will cover the period from 1960-63 and may include, as a special study, the document prepared for the Conference on Trade and Development.
00-02	1	<u>Economic Bulletin for Latin America</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 32 (IV) and 79 (VI).  <u>Description:</u> The <u>Bulletin</u> is published twice yearly. The <u>Statistical Supplement</u> , which has been a feature of the <u>Bulletin</u> in recent years, was published twice in 1962, as a separate issue, and in mimeographed form once in 1963. As from 1964, a separate <u>Statistical Bulletin</u> will be published.
00-1	1	<u>Economic growth and technique of planning</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 48 (V), 81 (VI), 137 (VII), 147 (VIII), 148 (VIII), 155 (VIII) and 184 (IX).

/Economic development

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
00-11		<p><u>Economic development of the region as a whole</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 81 (VI).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> An over-all study was completed for the tenth session relating to the economic development of Latin America in the post-war period and was revised during the second part of 1963 prior to being sent to the printers (United Nations publication, Sales N° 64.II.G.6). Work will continue on these over-all studies, which are not limited to an analysis of the current situation but endeavour to evaluate the region's economic growth, establish those factors which determine it and explore in depth other institutional factors of an economic and social nature, as well as those economic and social events which limit growth, and the prospects for future development. This project in fact aims at crystallizing and bringing up to date a theory of economic growth in Latin America.</p>
00-12	1	<p><u>Economic growth in individual countries</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 48 (V).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The structural conditions peculiar to the different countries in the region and the experience of the general studies show the need to carry out country studies in greater depth. This project is being carried out in collaboration with the Advisory Groups and the Latin American Governments. Country studies are being undertaken in Nicaragua, Guatemala and Brazil. The Brazilian study, in particular, reviews economic development in the different regions of Brazil. Work is also proceeding on a study of the development prospects of the Central American countries within the framework of economic integration.</p>
00-13	1	<p><u>Economic policy for development</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 48 (V). (Applicable also to project Nos. 00-131 and 00-132.)</p>

/Over-all studies

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
00-131	1	<p><u>Over-all studies on development policy</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> A document was prepared for the tenth session entitled <u>Towards a dynamic development policy for Latin America</u> (United Nations publication, Sales N° 64.II.G.4 - English only, the Spanish edition was published by the <u>Fondo de Cultura Económico</u>), which provides a framework and a strategy for a Latin American development policy in its different economic and social aspects. Such over-all studies will continue, with a view to analysing institutional reforms and the different economic, fiscal and monetary measures which should make up a development policy.</p>
00-132	1	<p><u>Analysis of economic policy by countries</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> No systematic studies have yet been made of the economic policy applied by the countries in the region. As resources permit, studies by countries will be started, comprising the following: (a) an analysis of the general guiding principles of economic and social policy and the targets established by the Governments; (b) an analysis of the particular measures which make up this policy; (c) a study of the efficiency of the methods used in terms of the targets aimed at; (d) a study of the efficiency of over-all policy in relation to development.</p>
00-14	1	<p><u>Planning of development</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 137 (VIII), 155 (VIII), 184 (IX), 227 (X) and 233 (X). (Applicable also to project Nos. 00-141 to 00-146 below.)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> In collaboration with the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning, ECLA will continue to examine techniques of planning suitable for the countries in the region, giving preference to the following:</p>
00-141	2	<u>Most efficient techniques of planning for Latin America</u>
00-142	2	<u>Techniques for integrating economic and social planning</u>
00-143	2	<u>Regional planning</u>

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<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
00-144	2	<u>Selection and integration of projects within development plans</u>
00-145	2	<u>Techniques of planning for dealing with problems of national development plans in common markets</u>
00-146	2	<u>Organization of planning</u>
00-147	1	<u>Budget techniques and methods in relation to planning</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 81 (VI) and 148 (VIII).  <u>Description:</u> Work on budget methods and programmes has been conducted in collaboration with BTAO and the United Nations Fiscal and Financial Branch, in close co-operation with the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning. Following the second South American budget workshop held at ECLA headquarters in September 1962 (see document E/CN.12/534), a second Central American budget workshop took place in September 1963, with the Advanced School of Public Administration for Central America (ESAPAC) offering host facilities. This workshop was organized by ECLA's Mexico Office with BTAO and the United Nations Fiscal and Financial Branch.
00-148	2	<u>Analysis of plans drawn up by countries</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 184 (IX).  <u>Description:</u> This analysis is being carried out in close collaboration with the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning. It is planned to include in the next <u>Economic Survey</u> a conceptual review of this analysis.
00-15	2	<u>Meetings and seminars on planning</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 185 (IX) and 233 (X).  <u>Description:</u> Under the joint sponsorship of ECLA, QAS and IDB, a Latin American Seminar on Planning was held in February 1962; its report was submitted to the tenth session (E/CN.12/644).

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		The ECLA secretariat will continue to convene such meetings or seminars on planning as may be necessary from time to time.
00-2	1	<p><u>Monetary and fiscal policy</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 3 (IV), 81 (VI) and 186 (IX).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> This project will be carried out in connexion with project N° 00-13 above.</p>
00-21	1	<p><u>Joint Tax Program</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 186 (IX).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Recent work on fiscal policies has been carried out on a joint basis with OAS and IDB, as part of the OAS/IDB/ECLA Joint Tax Program. The Conference on Fiscal Policy was held at ECLA headquarters in December 1962, and its provisional report was submitted to the tenth session (E/CN.12/638).</p> <p>At present, a series of country studies are being carried out by the Joint Tax Program, with a view to analysing existing Latin American tax systems. The secretariat will, as and when resources are available, analyse these country studies in connexion with its work on fiscal policy.</p>
00-22	2	<p><u>Study of the Brazilian fiscal system</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 3 (IV) and 81 (VI). (Applicable also to project No. 00-23.)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The Joint ECLA/BNDE Centre for Economic Development is conducting a study of the Brazilian fiscal system, with a compilation of all laws and regulations on taxation and of detailed statistics on the revenue deriving from the main taxes during the period 1954-1960. This study will be completed early in 1964.</p>

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<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
00-23	1	<p><u>Inflation and growth</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> It is expected that work on inflation and growth will be continued, with due regard for the present prospects of external financing for the Latin American countries, new conditions of international and intra-Latin American trade, and the new ideas put forward at the tenth session in relation to economic policy in general.</p>
00-3	1	<p><u>Economic development and integration</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 55 (V), 81 (VI), 102 (VI), 121 (VII), 208 (IX) and 227 (X); Trade Committee resolution 6 (II).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The projects under this heading are closely associated with several that appear under the section "Trade and integration" below, and in particular with Nos. 02-11 to 02-14, 02-4 and 03-4.</p> <p>A study on foreign trade and economic development of Latin America was undertaken as part of the secretariat's contribution to the Conference on Trade and Development (see E/CN.12/693). There is an urgent need to undertake basic studies on the economic structure of Latin America, for the region as a whole and by countries, and the changes which should take place in relation to different degrees of economic integration. These studies, on which some work is being done in 1964, include the following:</p>
00-31	2	<p><u>A suitable method for analysing the prospects and implications for the region as a whole and by countries of an expansion of intra-Latin American trade within the framework of a common market or of free-trade zones</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 208 (IX); Trade Committee resolution 6 (II).</p>
00-32	2	<p><u>Projections of supply and demand under different alternative assumptions</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 208 (IX).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> This would include sectoral production and distribution by countries, under different hypotheses.</p>

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00-33	2	<p><u>Projections of foreign trade within the area and with the rest of the world</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 102 (VI) and 121 (VII).</p>
00-34	1	<p><u>General analysis of economic location and mobility in the countries of the region</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 208 (IX).</p>
00-35	2	<p><u>Private enterprise and economic development</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 228 (X).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> This project is designed to find incentives for ensuring a more dynamic participation by private enterprise and initiative in the economic and social development of Latin America. Some work on this project will also be carried out in connexion with project Nos. 00-5 and 05-0.</p>
00-4	1	<p><u>Studies on income distribution</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 54 (V) and 229 (X). (Applicable also to project Nos. 00-41 to 00-43 below.)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The study on economic development in the post-war period (E/CN.12/659 and Add.1) included an analysis of income distribution in the Latin American countries, and a preliminary outline has been drawn up of the prevailing type of distribution. A complete country study is being undertaken in collaboration with the Government of Argentina, which analyses the pattern of income distribution and its relationship to economic and social development. It is intended to continue with this project, which is associated with project No. 01-03, and to encourage other countries to undertake similar studies. The main aspects to be covered are as follows:</p>
00-41	2	<p><u>Distribution of income and economic development</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> The relations between economic growth and income distribution will be analysed on the basis of experience in Latin America and other areas. In addition, a study will be made of the obstacles to development implicit in existing structural conditions and the form in which income is distributed.</p>

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00-42	2	<u>Study of the factors which determine the present pattern of income distribution</u>
00-43	2	<u>Economic and social policy in relation to income distribution</u>
00-5	1	<u>Financing of economic development</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 3 (IV), 226 (X) and 228 (X); Trade Committee resolution 6 (II).  <u>Description:</u> In addition to the integrated studies on development policy, work will continue on specific studies on the financing of economic development, dealing respectively with domestic and external financing.
00-51	1	<u>Domestic financing of development</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 3 (IV), 226 (X) and 228 (X).  <u>Description:</u> Research on domestic financing of economic development will pay particular attention to the instruments and institutional organization required in Latin America in order to mobilize the resources needed for investment financing. The project will also include research on the structure, amount and distribution of domestic savings and on the incentives needed to attract private domestic capital for development purposes.
00-52	1	<u>The role of external financing in Latin America's economic development</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 3 (IV) and 226 (X); Trade Committee resolution 6 (II).  <u>Description:</u> The document prepared for the tenth session, analysing the flows of external financing towards Latin America (E/CN.12/649) has since been carefully revised and expanded and will be printed in 1964. In this study, sources, different types of financial movements, policies of international financing institutions and the evolution of the balance of payments were explored. Research will continue with respect to the role of external financing in economic development, private investment,

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		the most suitable formulas for achieving adequate financing, the capacity of the Latin American countries to absorb foreign investment and its limitations, and so forth.
00-6	1	<u>Human resources</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 83 (VI), 149 (VIII), 191 (IX), 206 (IX) and 209 (IX). (Applicable also to project Nos. 00-61 to 00-65 below.)  <u>Description:</u> Work on this project is carried out in conjunction with the ILO and in some cases with the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning in relation to the Advisory Groups. The project includes the following studies, which will be undertaken as resources permit:
00-61	2	<u>General diagnosis of problems of employment and economic development in Latin America</u>  <u>Description:</u> This project, on which work is currently proceeding, includes an analysis of the labour force, employment, patterns of employment and productivity in economic activities and so forth.
00-62	2	<u>Projections relating to the labour force, productivity and demand for manpower, by economic activities</u>  <u>Description:</u> A study is at present in progress on techniques of planning manpower needs, including methods for planning the training of manpower to ensure that sufficient skilled labour is available to meet requirements in Latin America.
00-63	2	<u>Analysis of production techniques and the intensity of labour and capital</u>
00-64	2	<u>Requirements for the training of skilled manpower and educational planning</u>
00-65	2	<u>Policy of wages and distribution of real income</u>

Note: Some work on project No. 00-64 was presented at the Conference on Education and Economic and Social Development in Latin America (March 1962); some work on other aspects of human resources is

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included in the study on The Economic Development of Latin America in the Post-war Period (United Nations publication, Sales No.: 64.II.G.6) submitted to the tenth session.

00-7            1            Latin American Regional Centre for Economic Projections

Authority: ECLA resolutions 48 (V) and 81 (VI).

Description: Since its inception, ECLA has worked on economic and social projections for the region as a whole and for individual countries and has been drawing up a technique for formulating these projections.

Under General Assembly resolution 1708 (XVI), an Economic Projections and Programming Centre has been set up at Headquarters, and the same resolution urged that regional centres be set up within the regional economic commissions. The new Latin American Regional Centre was accordingly established within ECLA at the beginning of 1963, and work on projections will be intensified as a result. The functions of the new Centre, which will work closely with the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning, are as follows:

(a) To prepare, on a systematic and permanent basis, projections on Latin American economy, for the region as a whole and for countries or groups of countries;

(b) To explore techniques and methods of projection in order to propose and apply those considered most suitable for the conditions prevailing in the Latin American countries;

(c) To examine the statistical and technical information required for preparing projections;

(d) To compile and analyse projections prepared by other international and national organizations on world economy and on Latin America, with particular reference to those countries and subjects of most interest for assessing the prospects for economic development of the Latin American countries.

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During 1963, work was done on projections of demand for imports and balance of payments for Latin America, with a view to determining the virtual deficit. The conclusions of this work were introduced into the document for the Conference on Trade and Development (E/CN.12/693).

/01. SOCIAL

## 01. SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
01-0	1	<u>Social aspects of economic development</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 82 (VI), 124 (VII), 189 (IX) and 230 (X). (Applicable also to project Nos. 01-01 and 01-02 below.)  <u>Description:</u> This project covers research into a number of specific questions that earlier ECLA studies have indicated as being of strategic importance in relation to development. In this research co-operation with the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning is particularly close. The studies being undertaken in 1964-65 include the following:
01-01	1	<u>Rural settlement patterns and community organization</u>  <u>Description:</u> A study on this subject is in course of preparation and will be completed in final form early in 1964. It will be presented at the seminar on community development planning to be held in June 1964. (See project No. 01-4.)
01-02	2	<u>Functions of urban centres in relation to size and location</u>  <u>Description:</u> A study on this subject is also nearing completion, which should suggest lines of research to be followed up at the national level.
01-03	1	<u>Social significance of the distribution of income</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 54 (V), 82 (VI), 124 (VII), 189 (IX), 229 (X) and 230 (X). (Applicable also to project No. 01-04 below.)  <u>Note:</u> Work on this project will be carried out in connexion with the studies effected in relation to project No. 00-4.
01-04	3	<u>Marginal social groups and their assimilation</u>  <u>Description:</u> This project derives from earlier work on problems of urbanization, and calls for systematic field studies of segregated low-income settlements in several large cities of the region.

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<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
		Some work on it will be done during 1964 and it is hoped to obtain resources from other organizations with a view to carrying out the necessary field studies.
01-1	1	<p><u>Social planning</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 82 (VI), 188 (IX), 189 (IX), 230 (X) and 231 (X).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Social planning is an integral part of development planning, and activities in this connexion will be intensified, in co-operation with the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning. This project will include co-operation with UNICEF in relation to planning for the needs of children. A first approach to the problems of social programming was submitted to the tenth session (E/CN.12/661).</p>
01-11	1	<p><u>Techniques and methods of planning in the various social sectors</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 188 (IX) and 231 (X). (Applicable also to project Nos. 01-12 and 01-13 below.)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> This study will continue the work on the planning of education carried out in conjunction with UNESCO (see the report of the Conference on Education and Economic and Social Development in Latin America published by UNESCO) and in collaboration with WHO/PASB on health planning.</p> <p>In this connexion, the secretariat is participating on an active basis in a seminar on problems and strategies of educational planning in Latin America scheduled for April 1964 and organized by UNESCO's International Institute for Educational Planning. A short paper is being prepared for it on experience in Latin America.</p>
01-12	1	<p><u>The problem of integrating economic and social objectives and targets into a single pattern of development planning</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> Work will be carried out in 1964 with a view to preparing a critical examination of the issues involved and of actual experience, in order to proceed subsequently to the preparation of a practical guide for social development planning.</p>

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<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
01-13	1	<p><u>Role of social services in the context of economic and social planning</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> Work has started recently on this study, which is part of a continuing project, designed to make the fullest use of the knowledge acquired.</p>
01-14	2	<p><u>Working group on social development planning</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 188 (IX) and 230 (X).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The results of the work included under 01-11 to 01-13 may be presented to a small working group on social development planning, to be held under the technical assistance programme in 1964.</p>
01-2	1	<p><u>Demographic studies</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 187 (IX) and 238 (X). (Applicable also to project Nos. 01-21 to 01-24 below.)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> In accordance with the Commission's resolutions on the relationship between population growth and economic and social development, work on demography will be intensified and will be carried out in close co-operation with the Latin American governments themselves and with the Latin American Demographic Centre (CELADE), on the following continuing projects:</p>
01-21	1	<u>Compilation of available population estimates and projections</u>
01-22	1	<u>Preparation of compendia of demographic data, estimates and projections for each country</u>
01-23	1	<u>Trends in the composition of Latin American manpower</u>
01-24	1	<u>Trends of urban and rural population</u>

Note: Documents on demographic questions presented at the tenth session include a study on the geographic distribution of the population of Latin America (E/CN.12/643) and a report on the work of CELADE (E/CN.12/687).

/Housing

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
01-3	1	<u>Housing</u>

Authority: ECLA resolution 224 (X). (Applicable also to project Nos. 01-31 to 01-33 below.)

Description: Work on housing will be continued along the lines indicated below. Two BTAO posts for regional advisers on housing programming and housing finance were established in 1963, and the advisers are working in close collaboration with ECLA's Social Affairs Division.

Some work had already been done in relation to the Central American Economic Integration Programme, and further progress was made in connexion with the Latin American Seminar on Housing Statistics and Programmes held at Copenhagen in September 1962 (see the report of the Seminar, United Nations Publication, Sales No 63.II.G.14). However, there is need for much more work on this subject, with particular reference to development planning. Hence, as resources permit, work will be carried out on the following continuing projects, which in some cases will require close collaboration with the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning:

01-31	1	<u>Development of methodology for housing planning</u>
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Description: Some basic principles for the formulation of housing programmes were developed by ECLA in collaboration with ECE for the Latin American Seminar on Housing Statistics and Programmes and may be found in the report mentioned under project No 01-3 above. Work is proceeding on the further elaboration of these principles with a view to preparing material for a course on housing programming.

01-32	1	<u>Problems of administration of national housing programmes</u>
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Description: The secretariat is currently organizing, in consultation with the Housing, Building and Planning Branch of the United Nations Bureau of Social Affairs, the programme for a study tour and workshop on organization and functions of national housing agencies for the implementation of housing programmes. It will take place at Copenhagen, Oslo and Stockholm, from

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		24 August to 12 September 1964, financed out of a special contribution of the Danish Government to the United Nations technical assistance programme. The participants will be executives of housing agencies, housing banks and similar institutions in Latin America. Papers will be prepared by ECLA, the United Nations Bureau of Social Affairs, the Scandinavian governments and the participants.
01-33	2	<u>Productivity in the building industry</u>
01-34	2	<u>Workshop on physical planning aspects of urbanization</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 82 (VI), 124 (VII) and 189 (IX).  <u>Description:</u> This workshop, which was included in the regional technical assistance programme for 1964, has had to be postponed, since the secretariat has no resources with which to carry it out.
01-4	1	<u>Rural and community development</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 230 (X). (Applicable also to project Nos. 01-41 and 01-42 below.)  <u>Description:</u> With the assistance of BTAO and the United Nations Bureau of Social Affairs, plans are being made to hold a seminar in mid-1964 to consider the potential contribution of community development programmes to over-all development, and the adaptation of techniques that may be needed to maximize this contribution in the Latin American setting. Work is advanced on two projects which are indicated below and which will provide basic material for the seminar.
01-41	1	<u>State and trends of community development in Latin America</u>
01-42	1	<u>Content and objectives of community development programmes in the general process of development planning</u>

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02, 03 and 04. TRADE AND INTEGRATION

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02

GENERAL TRADE PROBLEMS

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Preparatory work for the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

Authority: ECLA resolution 221 (X).

Description: The preparations for the Conference on Trade and Development included the drafting of a document on Latin America and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (E/CN.12/693) which was reviewed by a panel of high-level experts which met in October and December 1963. A provisional version was subsequently presented at a meeting of Latin American government experts held at Brasilia in January 1964. Prior to that meeting, the Central American Trade Sub-Committee held a special session to examine the main problems of Central America's external sector and its trade policy, followed by a special meeting of Central American Ministers of Economy to establish Central America's point of view in relation to the Conference.

The secretariat will attend, as an observer, the meeting in February 1964 of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council's ad hoc Committee on Latin American Co-ordination, and will provide such technical advice as may be requested of it.

The secretariat has seconded some of its staff to the secretariat of the Conference on Trade and Development and will provide staff to assist in servicing the Conference itself at Geneva.

02-1

Expansion of trade

Authority: ECLA resolutions 45 (V), 46 (V), 102 (VI), 119 (VII), 121 (VII) and 222 (X); Trade Committee resolution 4 (I).

Description: A study on the main obstacles to an expansion of Latin America's trade was prepared as part of the secretariat's contribution to the Conference on Trade and Development (E/CN.12/693).

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<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
02-11	1	<p><u>Trade in traditional products</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 119 (VII) and 222 (X); Trade Committee resolution 4 (I).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Some work on this project was included in the document for the Conference on Trade and Development mentioned above. The topic is discussed in other studies, notably in document E/CN.12/659 and Add. 1. No specific study has been undertaken, for lack of resources.</p>
02-12	1	<p><u>Trade between Latin America and the rest of the world</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 45 (V), 102 (VI), 121 (VII) and 222 (X).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> This topic has already been discussed, with particular reference to the European Economic Community, in documents E/CN.12/631, E/CN.12/632 and E/CN.12/667. It is also discussed periodically in the <u>Economic Bulletin</u>, and work on it has been carried out in connexion with the preparation for the Conference on Trade and Development.</p>
02-13	1	<p><u>Study of changes in the composition of Latin American imports from industrialized countries</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 45 (V).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Some work in this project was included in the document prepared for the Conference on Trade and Development. The study of import substitution in Brazil undertaken by the Joint ECLA/BNDE Centre for Economic Development has been completed and will be published in Volume IX, N° 1 of the <u>Economic Bulletin for Latin America</u>.</p>
02-14	1	<p><u>Studies of the terms of trade and their influence on the rate of economic development</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 46 (V).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> This subject is discussed periodically in the <u>Economic Survey</u> and the <u>Economic Bulletin</u> and was reviewed in documents E/CN.12/659 and Add.1 and E/CN.12/680. It was also included in the document for the Conference on Trade and Development (E/CN.12/693).</p>

/Regional Advisory

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
02-2	2	<p><u>Regional Advisory Group on Trade Policy</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> Trade Committee resolution 11 (III).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> In accordance with the request contained in this resolution, BTAO has provided the necessary financing to set up a Regional Advisory Group on Trade Policy, staffed by three high-level experts, who were recruited during 1963. The Director of this Group is also the representative of ECLA before ALALC.</p> <p>The work programme for 1963-1964 stipulates that the experts are to advise the Latin American Governments, in close consultation with ECLA, on problems relating to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) trade policy and economic integration;</li> <li>(b) trade policy and diversification of exports;</li> <li>(c) financial topics related to the programme for widening of markets and diversification of exports. The experts are also expected to work in close co-operation with the Latin American Free-Trade Association (ALALC).</li> </ul> <p>Requests for the Group's services have been received from 7 countries and it is planned to complete the exploratory missions during the first half of 1964.</p>
02-3	3	<p><u>Seminars and special training courses in trade policy</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 214 (IX); Trade Committee resolution 14 (III).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The concentration of resources on the work for the Conference on Trade and Development prevented adequate preparation of the proposed seminars and special training courses on trade policy. Instead, BTAO financed in 1963 two meetings of a high-level panel of experts to advise the secretariat in connexion with the studies prepared for the Conference.</p> <p>Plans are being made to draw up the curriculum during 1964 and prepare material for the lectures and seminars included in the course. This work will be started in the second half of the year, once the Conference on Trade and Development has closed.</p>

/Common market

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
02-4	1	<p><u>Common market and integration</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 69 (V), 101 (VI), 115 (VII) to 122 (VII), 168 (VIII), 214 (IX) and 222 (X); Committee of the Whole resolution 172 (AC.45); Trade Committee resolutions 1 (I) to 4 (I), 6 (II) to 10 (II) and 11 (III) to 13 (III).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Work on the prospective Latin American common market and on integration problems is reflected in many of the secretariat's studies, particularly those relating to the Central American Economic Integration Programme, ALALC, and economic development and industry. It is closely linked with project No. 00-3, relating to economic development and integration. The Commission has included in the work programme for several years past a number of specific studies of problems relating to the establishment of the common market, namely:</p>
02-41	1	<p><u>Comparative study of exchange controls and other quantitative and administrative restrictions, with special reference to their effects on the establishment and operation of a common market</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> Trade Committee resolution 6 (II).</p> <p><u>Note:</u> No work has been done on this project for lack of resources. However, work has been begun on a study of protectionism and industrialization in Latin America in relation to economic development.</p>
02-42	1	<p><u>Comparative study of the incentives for new investment, both foreign and domestic, particularly in the industrial sector, and the disparities, which may exist and make for distortions in the common market</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> Trade Committee resolution 6 (II).</p> <p><u>Note:</u> No work has been done on this project since the ninth session for lack of resources.</p>
02-43	1	<p><u>Factors affecting productivity and their repercussions on the competitive position of the different countries and industries</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 86 (VI); Trade Committee resolution 6 (II).</p>

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		<u>Note:</u> Although no specific study has been prepared on this subject, it is dealt with in several of the secretariat's industrial studies.
02-44	2	<u>Study on alternative formulas for linking ALAIC and the General Treaty on Central American Economic Integration</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 222 (X).
02-45	1	<u>Studies on payments and preparations for the third session of the Central Banks Working Group</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 115 (VII); Trade Committee resolutions 1 (I), 8 (II) and 9 (II).  <u>Description:</u> Work will be started in 1964 with respect to the advisability of establishing a system of payments and credits for current transactions within Latin America. In carrying out this project, close contacts will be maintained with the Latin American Centre for Monetary Studies (CEMLA) and the IMF, both of which are also working on this problem.
02-5	1	<u>Meetings of groups of experts</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 69 (V) and 221 (X); Trade Committee resolutions 3 (I), 6 (II) and 14 (III).  <u>Description:</u> In 1963, the secretariat, with financial assistance from BTAO, convened two meetings of a high-level panel of experts to assist in the preparations for the Conference on Trade and Development (see project No. 02-0). The project calls for further meetings of experts, of two kinds:
02-51	2	(a) Meeting of a group of government-appointed experts to explore the possibilities of establishing a Latin American common market now that ALALC and the Central American Economic Integration Programme have entered the operational stage. This meeting has been deferred since 1960, in consultation with Governments.
02-52	2	(b) Meetings of government experts on trade policy from different groups of Latin American countries. Further meetings of this kind will be convened as the need arises.

/03. STUDIES

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
03		<p><b>STUDIES AND OTHER WORK RELATING TO THE LATIN AMERICAN FREE-TRADE ASSOCIATION (ALALC)</b></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 222 (X) and 234 (X); Committee of the Whole resolution 172 (AC.45); Trade Committee resolution 11 (III).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> In fulfilment of the directives contained in a number of the Commission's resolutions on trade and integration (see also project N° 02-4 above), work is proceeding on a number of specific projects relating to several basic questions bound up with the future of ALALC. In particular, a systematic evaluation is being prepared of the ALALC negotiations, which will provide basic material for further studies.</p>
03-1	1	<p><u>Alternative ways and means of intensifying the integration process</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> Trade Committee resolution 6 (II).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> General work is being started on the possible alternatives as regards measures whereby the States members of ALALC could intensify the process of integration. The study will cover in each instance the possible impact of the different alternatives on the basic sectors of the economy of the country concerned, on the general rate of development attainable and on the balance-of-payments situation.</p>
03-2	1	<p><u>Co-ordination of national development programmes at different levels</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 208 (IX).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> An endeavour will be made to analyse the different methods of co-ordination and their possible effect, within the framework of ALALC, on the growth rate of participating countries.</p>
03-3	1	<p><u>Specific studies on basic industrial and agricultural sectors to serve as a basis for complementarity agreements within the framework of ALALC</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 182 (IX) and 222 (X); Trade Committee resolution 6 (II).</p>
03-31	1	<p><u>Industry</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 222 (X); Trade Committee resolution 6 (II).</p> <p><u>Description:</u></p>

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		<p><u>Description:</u> The aim is to draw on the material contained in the sectoral studies on industry with a view to identifying the prospects for integration and complementarity within the framework of ALALC. This project is closely linked with project No. 05-01.</p>
03-32	1	<p><u>Agriculture</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 182 (IX).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> In close collaboration with the Joint ECLA/FAO Agriculture Division, studies will be undertaken on the impact of different approaches to integration on the agricultural sector.</p>
03-4	1	<p><u>Infrastructure</u></p>
03-41	1	<p><u>Transport</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 101 (VI); Trade Committee resolution 15 (III).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Studies will be undertaken on transport problems within ALALC, with particular reference to maritime transport (see also project No. 08-2).</p>
03-5	1	<p><u>Advisory services to the ALALC countries</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> Committee of the Whole resolution 172 (AC.45); Trade Committee resolution 11 (II). (Applicable also to project Nos. 03-51 and 03-52 below.)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> In compliance with the request made by the signatories of the Montevideo Treaty and endorsed by the Commission, the secretariat has continued to undertake the activities indicated below:</p>
03-51	2	<p><u>Technical advice to ALALC, with particular reference to the tariff negotiations;</u></p>
03-52	2	<p><u>Provision of advisory services to Governments which so request in relation to problems bearing on their possible or actual participation in ALALC. This work will in future be very closely co-ordinated with that undertaken in connexion with project No. 02-2 above.</u></p>

/04. CENTRAL



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04		<p><b>CENTRAL AMERICAN ECONOMIC INTEGRATION PROGRAMME</b></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 24 (IV), 55 (V), 84 (VI), 123 (VII), 152 (VIII), 194 (IX), 195 (IX) and 222 (X); Committee of the Whole resolutions 140 (AC.40) and 173 (AC.45); CCE resolutions 27, 101, 102, 104, 107, 118, 120 and 121.</p>

Description: The general status and prospects of the Central American Economic Integration Programme are examined in a document submitted to the tenth session (E/CN.12/666).

The Central American Economic Co-operation Committee held its eighth session in January 1963. The report of the session is contained in document E/CN.12/672. At this session, the Committee laid down general guiding principles for the future work to be done to accelerate the process of bringing the common market into full operation and to start studies on different aspects of progressive integration of the national economic systems of the Central American countries.

Within this framework, the secretariat's activities will be centred on three main points:

- (a) Constitution of a customs union, with due regard to the particular characteristics of Central America and the objectives pursued through integration;
- (b) Establishment of a Central American policy for economic relations with the rest of the world which will strengthen regional foreign trade and foster economic complementarity with other countries or groups of countries;
- (c) Establishment of a basis of productive capacity appropriate to the common market with a view to meeting the needs for rapid and balanced economic and social development in Central America.

As part of this programme, and in order to assess the work done and indicate the corresponding action to be taken by Governments, it is planned in 1964 to hold several meetings of the different sub-committees and working groups, the objectives being indicated below under the different projects relating to specific aspects of integration.

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In carrying out its work on the economic integration of Central America, the secretariat maintains close collaboration with the Permanent Secretariat of the General Treaty on Central American Economic Integration (SIECA), the Central American Bank for Economic Integration (BCIE), and the Organization of Central American States (ODECA). The secretariat also co-ordinates the United Nations regional technical assistance programme for Central American economic integration, which is carried out with the collaboration of BTAC, the ILO and FAO.

04-0	1	<u>Economic development and planning</u>
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Authority: ECLA resolutions 48 (V), 81 (VI), 137 (VII), 148 (VIII), 155 (VIII), 186 (IX), 227 (X) and 233 (X).

04-01	1	<u>Country studies on economic development</u>
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Authority: ECLA resolution 48 (V).

Description: At the beginning of 1964, the secretariat will complete the country study on the development of Nicaragua, consisting of different chapters covering the analysis of external demand, investment, production by economic sectors, social sectors and economic policy, as well as the over-all development of the economy.

04-02	1	<u>Analysis of economic development and projections for the region as a whole</u>
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Authority: ECLA resolution 81 (VI).

Description: A basic study has been started on the possibilities and prospects for combined development of the Central American countries and on the problems requiring a regional approach. In addition to analysing the development of trade within the region and with the rest of the world, as well as the market for basic commodities and the effect of the terms of trade, projections will be made for inter-Central American trade, for the capacity to import and for imports, with a preliminary programme for import substitution at the regional level, mainly concerned with the manufacturing sector.

04-03	1	<u>Studies on fiscal policy</u>
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Authority: ECLA resolutions 81 (VI), 148 (VIII) and 186 (IX); CCE resolution 50.

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		<p><u>Description:</u> The secretariat, with the co-operation of BTAO experts, will make a start in 1964 on a systematic study of the fiscal problems which may arise in connexion with the accelerated development of Central America, the efficient operation of the common market and the future establishment of a Central American customs union.</p> <p>As a first stage, the project will be centred around a comparative study of tax systems. Subsequently research will be carried out relating to taxes on production and consumption, land and income and profits on capital.</p>
04-04	1	<p><u>Planning of economic development</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 137 (VII), 155 (VIII), 184 (IX) and 227 (X); CCE resolution 124.</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Following a request made by the Central American Economic Council to the OAS/IDB/ECLA <u>Ad hoc Committee on Co-operation</u>, an advisory committee on planning for Central America has been set up, consisting of representatives of the three organizations mentioned, the Secretary-General of the Permanent Secretariat of the General Treaty on Central American Economic Integration (SIECA) and the President of the Central American Bank for Economic Integration (BCIE). The Advisory Committee, over which the Director of ECLA's Mexico Office presides, will be in general charge of the work of the Joint Central American Programming Mission, which is composed of experts appointed by the United Nations, BTAO, OAS and IDB.</p> <p>The Joint Mission will advise the five Central American Governments on the establishment of permanent planning mechanisms and on the preparation of national development plans co-ordinated at the regional level.</p>

04-05	1	<p><u>Incorporation of Panama into the Central American Economic Integration Programme</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> CCE resolution 80.</p> <p><u>Description:</u> During 1962, the secretariat submitted to the Government of Panama for consideration a study on the possible incorporation of that country into the Central American common market or into ALALC. The study included an analysis of the implications which this would have for Panama's trade and tariff policy in either case, and of the general possibilities for development which could be expected, particularly in the industrial sector.</p>
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Economic development

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
04-06	1	<p><u>Economic development of British Honduras or Belize</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 195 (IX).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Work has started on a study of the possibilities for linking British Honduras or Belize economically with the Central American common market, including an analysis of the prospects for trade and development within the regional economic framework.</p>
04-1	1	<p><u>Central American trade</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 222 (X); Committee of the Whole resolutions 9 (AC.17) and 19 (AC.17); CCE resolutions 4, 7, 11, 22, 24, 37, 58, 81, 83, 101-103, 106, 109-111, 115, 117-120. (Applicable also to project Nos. 04-11 and 04-12 below.)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The secretariat, with the help of SIECA in some aspects, has continued and expanded its studies on Central American trade with a view to the forthcoming Conference on Trade and Development. A special session of the Central American Trade Sub-Committee took place in January 1964 to discuss problems of the external sector and Central America's trade policy. The Sub-Committee's recommendations were examined at another special meeting of the Ministers of Economy, held at San José, Costa Rica during the same month. In addition to the studies required for these meetings, the secretariat is working on the following studies:</p>
04-11	2	<p><u>Central American customs union</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> The main problems involved in the establishment of a customs union in the region will be examined, from the point of view of development and of economic integration. The study will be presented to a meeting of the Trade Sub-Committee scheduled for September 1964. With the help of a consultant, work is also proceeding on problems relating to the organization and operation of a customs union, as well as the distribution of fiscal revenue deriving from customs collections and possible systems of compensation.</p>

/Trade policy

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
04-12	2	<p><u>Trade policy and links between Central America and the rest of the world</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> Work is proceeding on an analysis of the economic liaison policy within the framework of Central American integration and the forging of possible links between the Central American common market and ALALC.</p>
04-2	1	<p><u>Industrial development</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 222 (X), 227 (X) and 234 (X); Committee of the Whole resolution 2 (AC.17); COE resolutions 2, 8, 25-27, 38-41, 57, 59, 60, 70, 71, 75, 84, 85, 88, 104, 112-114, 121-123. (Applicable also to project Nos. 04-21 and 04-22 below.)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The secretariat's activities in relation to industrial development in Central America will continue to be carried out in collaboration with BTAO and the United Nations specialized agencies and, where pertinent, with the Central American Bank for Economic Integration (BCIE) and the Central American Institute for Research and Technology (ICAITI). A study was submitted to the tenth session on the prospects for integrated industrial development in Central America which has since been printed, (United Nations publication, Sales No. 63.II.G.10). Work in 1964 will be concentrated on a broad programme of research and studies analysing the prospects for import substitution, expansion of production and trade in manufactured goods in Central America. These studies include:</p>
04-21	2	<p><u>Problems of industrial policy in Central America</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> This study is designed to systematize and specify the alignments and complementary measures for the instruments in force (regime for integration industries, agreement on fiscal incentives, tariff for industrial promotion etc.) and to specify criteria and regional priorities for investment. A first report on the results of the research carried out in 1963 was presented at the special meeting of Ministers of Economy in January 1964. This report also analysed ways and means for co-ordinating the activities in this connexion carried out by the BCIE, SIECA, ICAITI and national organizations.</p>

/Industrial development

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04-22	2	<p><u>Industrial development of Central America</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> The industrial structure of the Central American countries is being studied, with special reference to new industrial prospects within the common market and problems of location of industrial activity in Central America, together with the effects of the economic integration process on that activity.</p>
04-3	1	<p><u>Agricultural development</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 225 (X); CCE resolutions 1, 14, 20, 48, 49, 62, 63, 76, 89, 90, 91 and 125. (Applicable also to project Nos. 04-31 to 04-38 below.)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The secretariat, in co-operation with FAO, will initiate basic studies to determine the prospects for specialization and integrated development of the agricultural sector. This will be useful in the programming effort and in establishing the proper relationship with the objectives of economic integration. The Agricultural Development Sub-Committee will meet in the first quarter of 1964, and will draw up a programme of future activities in accordance with the current requirements of Central American economic integration. It will also review the studies prepared by the secretariat and FAO on different aspects of agriculture.</p> <p>The secretariat is collaborating with the national development organizations, SIECA and BCIE in work for the harmonization of production and supply policies within the Central American common market, and in the formulation of a regional programme for grain storage installations. In addition, the secretariat will complete the following studies:</p>
04-31	2	<u>Activities carried out in connexion with agricultural development in Central America and Panama</u>
04-32	2	<u>Present conditions of agriculture in Central America and future prospects</u>
04-33	2	<p><u>Agricultural commodities and free trade</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> This study refers to those commodities subject, for trading purposes within the common market, to temporary exceptional treatment.</p>

/Foreign trade

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04-34	2	<u>Foreign trade policy and agricultural development</u>
04-35	2	<u>The role of agriculture and its prospects within Central American economic integration</u>
04-36	2	<u>Demand for agricultural commodities and possibilities for import substitution</u>
04-37	2	<u>Land use in Central America</u>  <u>Description:</u> The purpose of this study is to identify agricultural areas and lay down general rules for economic policy with a view to ensuring the best use of available resources.
04-38	2	<u>Land tenure and agricultural working conditions in Central America</u>  <u>Description:</u> This study will analyse problems concerning agricultural colonization, taxes on land and working conditions in agriculture.
04-4	1	<u>Economic infrastructure</u>  <u>Authority:</u> Committee of the Whole resolutions 3 (AC.17), 4 (AC.17) and 21 (AC.17); CCE resolutions 18, 19, 25, 42-46, 54, 59, 65, 67, 92, 126 and 127.  <u>Description:</u> Work on the economic infrastructure has dealt so far with transport and electric power problems. The respective sub-committees of the Economic Co-operation Committee met during 1963. The specific projects on which work is proceeding are indicated below:
04-41	1	<u>Transport</u>  <u>Authority:</u> Committee of the Whole resolutions 4 (AC.17) and 21 (AC.17); CCE resolutions 18, 19, 42-46, 64, 65, 67, 92 and 127. (Applicable also to project Nos. 04-411 to 04-413 below.)  <u>Description:</u> The secretariat is conducting several studies relating to transport within the Central American Economic Integration Programme, some of which will be presented in November 1964 to the third session of the Central American Transport Sub-Committee:

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<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
04-411	2	<u>Study of the development policy for transport within the Central American common market</u>
04-412	2	<u>Study on transport services and costs in Central America</u>  <u>Description:</u> The results of this work will be examined by a working group in June 1964.
04-413	2	<u>Technical and economic aspects of road development in Central America</u>  <u>Description:</u> This project covers two studies on (a) design and construction techniques and (b) present capacity and future requirements of the public sector with respect to road building works in the Central American countries. At the same time a manual on the methodology for road projects is being prepared.
04-414	2	<u>Study on ports and maritime transport in Central America</u>
04-42	1	<u>Electric power</u>  <u>Authority:</u> Committee of the Whole resolution 3 (AC.17); CCE resolutions 25, 59 and 126. (Applicable also to projects Nos. 04-421 to 04-423 below.)  <u>Description:</u> The studies in progress are indicated below:
04-421	2	<u>Combined development and interconnexion of electricity systems between countries</u>  <u>Description:</u> The Electric Power Sub-Committee approved those studies already completed on interconnexion of the central systems of Honduras and El Salvador and on combined development for Chiriqui-Golfito (Panama-Costa Rica) and the secretariat participates in the final discussions on the projects and provides technical advice to the electric power institutes in more detailed studies. The study relating to the interconnexion of the Pacific System of Nicaragua and the Central System of Costa Rica was presented in January 1964 to a working group.
04-422	2	<u>Water resources in Central America and Panama</u>  <u>Description:</u> Advice is being given on the preparation and presentation of a request to the United Nations Special Fund concerning a regional network of hydrological and hydrometeorological stations. Moreover, work has begun on a study of water resources and utilization of basins of regional interest.

Third session



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04-423	2	<p><u>Third session of the Central American Electric Power Sub-committee</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> Apart from a report on the development of this programme, studies are being prepared on electricity statistics, cost comparisons for electric power in Central America and a work programme for regulating the characteristics of the region's electricity systems. The Sub-Committee will meet at San Pedro Sula, Honduras, in September 1964.</p>
04-5	1	<p><u>Statistics</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> Committee of the Whole resolution 20 (AC.17); CCE resolutions 3, 21, 47 and 69. (Applicable also to project Nos. 04-51, 04-511 and 04-512 below.)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The Statistical Co-ordination Sub-Committee held its fifth session in February 1963. It approved a new programme of activities, bearing in mind the needs of economic integration and the process of drawing up development plans recently started by the Central American countries. The secretariat will continue to advise Governments, the Sub-Committee and its technical working groups in regard to the fulfilment of this new programme.</p> <p>With respect to foreign trade statistics, the base period is being revised and brought up to date in a uniform way and work is proceeding on an economic classification of products. A project for uniform statistical items. In the case of industrial statistics, their quality, uniformity and comparability are being studied together with the problems that arise when making economic censuses. Work is also proceeding on a methodology adapted to Central America for drawing up indices of production, prices and wages. In the case of agricultural statistics, with the help of FAO bases are being drawn up for a uniform programme of sample surveys, available statistics are being evaluated together with those required for planning the agricultural sector and minimum standards are being prepared for the preparation of forestry statistics. As for transport, the minimum list adopted by the Sub-Committee is being revised; the current regional statistics are being studied together with requirements and a manual is being prepared for use at the national level.</p> <p>This work will also include the revision and evaluation of macro-economic statistics for the Central American countries.</p>

/Meetings of

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04-51	1	<u>Meetings of working groups</u>
04-511	2	<u>Working Group on Industrial Statistics</u>  <u>Note:</u> This group met in January 1964 for the purpose of assessing the quality of industrial statistics and formulating recommendations on specific measures for improving them.
04-512	2	<u>Working Group on Agricultural Statistics</u>  <u>Note:</u> This group met in December 1963, with a view to examining the quality of agricultural statistics and recommending measures for their improvement.
04-6	1	<u>Social affairs</u>  <u>Authority:</u> CCE resolutions 27, 51, 73, 93, 94, 128 and 129.
04-61	2	<u>Study on labour productivity and income distribution</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 229 (X); CCE resolutions 27, 51, 73, 93, 94, 128 and 129.  <u>Description:</u> Work will continue in 1964 on the study relating to costs of labour and levels of productivity and the pattern and process of income distribution in the Central American countries. The purpose of the study is to determine the consequences of these factors for economic integration. It is being carried out by BTAO experts and the ILO, in co-ordination with the secretariat.
04-62	2	<u>Study on land tenure and agricultural working conditions</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 225 (X); CCE resolutions 27, 51, 73, 93, 94, 128 and 129.  <u>Description:</u> This study is being carried out under the auspices of the Central American Higher University Council, with the co-operation of BTAO, FAO and ILO experts. Some of the country studies involved have already been completed.

/Demographic studies

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04-63	1	<p><u>Demographic studies</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 238 (X); CCE resolutions 27, 51, 73, 93, 94, 128 and 129. (Applicable also to project Nos. 04-631 and 04-632 below.)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> These studies are being undertaken by a BTAO expert with the co-operation of the secretariat.</p>
04-631	2	<p><u>Distribution and concentration of population in Central America</u></p> <p><u>Note:</u> A general study of this problem will be undertaken.</p>
04-632	2	<p><u>Study on demographic movements in the metropolitan area of El Salvador</u></p> <p><u>Note:</u> This study has been completed and is in process of revision. It will be published in 1964.</p>
04-64	2	<p><u>Third session of the Housing, Building and Planning Sub-Committee</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> CCE resolutions 27, 51, 73, 93, 94 128 and 129.</p> <p><u>Description:</u> This Sub-Committee held its second session in June 1963. In addition to formulating its programme of activities, the Sub-Committee evaluated the progress made in regional co-ordination of national housing programmes, with particular reference to better utilization of raw materials and building materials produced in the region and to the application of the principles of modular co-ordination. It also reviewed the present status and development of industries producing building materials and the repercussions of the various national housing programmes on these industries. In addition, priorities and guiding principles were established for carrying out the studies requested of the secretariat by the Economic Co-operation Committee at its eighth session. These studies - the results of which will be presented at the third session of the Sub-Committee in June 1964 - are the following:</p>
04-641	2	<p><u>Programming of housing and its harmonization with economic development plans</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 224 (X); CCE resolutions 27, 51, 73, 93, 94, 128 and 129. (Applicable also to projects Nos. 04-642 to 04-646 below.)</p> <p><u>Description:</u></p>

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
		<u>Description:</u> In December 1963 a seminar was held at the technical level in order to analyse Central American experience with respect to the programming of housing and to lay the foundations for a uniform methodology.
04-642	2	<u>External and domestic financing of housing programmes</u>
04-643	2	<u>Prospects for expanding or installing new factories producing building materials which are of interest to Central America</u>
04-644	2	<u>Study on co-ordination and harmonization of legal rules and regulations concerning tenders, awarding of contracts and the exercising of building activities</u>

Description: This study will be carried out in co-operation with ESAPAC.

04-645	2	<u>Promotion of rural housing</u>
04-646	2	<u>Availability and prices of urban land</u>
04-7	1	<u>Research and training institutes</u>

Authority: Committee of the Whole resolutions 7 (AC.17) and 23 (AC.17); CCE resolutions 5, 6, 31, 52, 53, 72, 95, 98 and 130. (Applicable also to project Nos. 04-71, 04-711 to 04-721 and 04-72 below.)

04-71	1	<u>Advanced School of Public Administration for Central America (ESAPAC)</u>
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Description: During 1964, the activities of ESAPAC will be closely linked with the needs of the Economic Integration Programme and the development process in Central America, with a view to overcoming the administrative deficiencies found in the Central American countries. The following seminars and meetings were held, with BTAO financing, in 1963: Seminar on Central American uniform customs code and tariff legislation; Course on administration of development programmes in Central America; National intensive courses on the application of the General Treaty on Economic Integration, and Workshop on budget administration for Central American countries.

ESAPAC will conduct a number of seminars and courses in 1964, financed partly by BTAO and partly from other sources. These projects, in which the secretariat will provide some assistance, are as follows:

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04-711	2	<u>Seminar on fiscal administration</u>
04-712	2	<u>Seminar on administration of agricultural development programmes</u>
04-713	2	<u>Seminar on administration of statistics</u>
04-714	2	<u>National courses on administrative techniques for applying the uniform customs code</u>
04-715	2	<u>National courses on fiscal incentives</u>
04-716	2	<u>Regional training course on fiscal administration</u>
04-717	2	<u>Regional training course on administration of agricultural development programmes</u>
04-718	2	<u>National courses on administrative techniques for improving the structure and procedures of agencies responsible for carrying out agricultural development programmes</u>
04-719	2	<u>National courses on administrative techniques for economic development programmes</u>
04-720	2	<u>National courses on budget techniques</u>
04-721	2	<u>Regional training course on administration of statistics</u>
04-72	1	<u>Central American Research Institute for Industry (ICAITI)</u>

Description: The secretariat will continue to co-operate with ICAITI, particularly on the identification and evaluation of specific industrial development projects in the Central American countries. At its eighth session, the Economic Co-operation Committee requested the United Nations to join a committee to study the position and future role of ICAITI within the accelerated process of Central America's industrial development. This committee's findings should be submitted for consideration at the next session of the governing committee of ICAITI. The secretariat will sit on this special committee.

/05. INDUSTRIAL

## 05. INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
05-0	1	<p><u>Studies of industrial economics</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 13 (IV), 116 (VII), 137 (VII), 160 (VIII), 200 (IX), 203 (IX), 222 (X), 228 (X) and 234 (X); Trade Committee resolutions 2 (I) and 3 (I).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Industrial economic studies are a continuing feature of the Commission's work on industry. Recently, an effort has been made to design them in such a way that their conclusions may lead to immediate practical steps by Governments and private enterprise to speed up industrial development in the different countries. This objective is already reflected in several of the sectoral projects described in the following sections. A major activity in this connexion was the Seminar on Industrial Programming, organized jointly by ECLA, BTAO and the United Nations Centre for Industrial Development, and held at São Paulo, Brazil, in March 1963.</p> <p>On the basis of experience in analysing the industrial sector, certain general conclusions can be drawn, some of which were contained in the papers prepared for the tenth session. Plans are now under way to prepare an over-all study which will provide an evaluation of the industrial development process in Latin America. It will include a systematic description of the current characteristics of Latin American industry, and an analysis of industrialization policy. This over-all study will thus meet the requirements of two sub-projects under this heading, 05-02 and 05-05.</p>
05-01	1	<p><u>Analysis of the possibilities for trade in manufactured goods</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 116 (VII), 137 (VII) and 222 (X); Trade Committee resolution 2 (I).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> This project deals with the prospects for expanding trade in manufactures among the Latin American countries, with particular reference to ALALC, in the light of the ECLA studies on industrial sectors recently completed or nearing completion. This project is closely linked with project No. 03-31. Some basic</p>

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		material has been incorporated in the different secretariat studies and in the preparatory work for the Conference on Trade and Development.
05-02	1	<p><u>Problems of financing of industry</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 116 (VII); Trade Committee resolution 3 (I).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> ECLA has so far done little work on the problems of financing of industry and they have, in fact, been explored in depth only in the studies on the manufacture of basic equipment. In connexion with the main study described under project No. 05-0 above, a study will be made of a number of financing problems of manufacturing industry in accordance with the characteristics of the Latin American credit systems and capital markets.</p>
05-03	1	<p><u>Problems of small and medium-scale industries in less developed countries</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 116 (VII), 127 (VII) and 137 (VII); Trade Committee resolution 2 (I).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> This project is designed to include in the work programme, for the first time, the problems of small and medium-scale industries. However, in view of the enormous scope of such problems and the limited resources available, the study has had to be postponed for the time being.</p>
05-04	2	<p><u>Technological research for industry</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 13 (IV), 53 (V), 200 (IX), 203 (IX) and 222 (X).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> On 1 January 1963, this became a regional ECLA/BTAO project, for which BTAO provides a regional adviser. Its basic objective is to promote the expansion in the region of the technological research activities in progress for industrial application, eventually with international assistance, and to encourage the growth of co-operation among the different national technological institutes. On the basis of research carried out by the secretariat in 1962, an initial approach to the problem was presented at the tenth session (see <u>Economic Bulletin for Latin America</u>, vol. VIII, No. 1).</p>

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Discussions have also taken place with the OAS and the IDB with a view to carrying out joint projects.

05-05            3            Industrial promotion policy and institutional problems of industrialization

Authority: ECLA resolution 160 (VIII).

Description: In connexion with the study described under project No. 05-0 above, work will be done on industrial promotion policy and institutional problems of industrialization, which will form part of the over-all study being started in 1964.

05-06            1            Collaboration with the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning

Authority: ECLA resolution 137 (VII).

Description: ECLA's Industrial Development Division will work closely with the Institute in relation to industrial programming, both for the Advisory Groups and the training programme. There was co-operation on these lines during 1963, with particular reference to such industrial sectors as steel, chemicals and textiles.

05-1            1            Studies of dynamic industries

Authority: ECLA resolutions 57 (V), 58 (V), 96 (VI), 97 (VI), 127 (VII), 137 (VII), 161 (VIII), 162 (VIII), 201 (IX), 202 (IX), 207 (IX), 222 (X), 234 (X) and 236 (X).

Description: The secretariat's earlier work on specific industries and sectors of industry was undertaken with a view to analysing the technical and economic characteristics of production or the development prospects for a given industry in one or more Latin American countries, taking into account their markets, the probable trends of national demand and the investment effort needed to reach the production targets based on the estimated growth of the markets. The studies on dynamic industries now being carried out are directed more towards the possibilities offered by the growing economic integration of Latin America. In carrying out these studies, the secretariat will pay particular attention to the situation of the less developed countries in the region.

/Steel industry



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05-11	1	<p><u>Steel industry</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 57 (V), 96 (VI) and 127 (VII). (Applicable also to project No. 05-111 below.)</p>
05-111	1	<p><u>Study of the economics of steel-making in Latin America</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> Work is proceeding on a study of the present situation and development prospects for steel-making in individual Latin American countries (including those where there are as yet no industrial activities of this kind) and in the region as a whole, with a view to determining possible lines of complementarity and specialization among the countries. The study is being undertaken in co-operation with the Latin American Iron and Steel Institute (ILAFA), with financial support from IDB, and should be completed by mid-1964.</p>
05-112	I	<p><u>Technological research necessary for the Latin American steel industry</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 13 (IV), 96 (VI) and 203 (IX).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> This project is closely connected with project No. 05-04, on technological research in general. It involves a minimum programme of essential research on Latin America's steel industry, the use of the region's coal production, the adaptation of new processes to Latin American conditions, and so forth. It will be carried out in close co-operation with ILAFA.</p>
05-113	2	<p><u>Definition of preliminary work needed for the analysis of the prospects for establishing a steel industry in Honduras</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> In response to a request from IDB, ECLA's Mexico Office and ECLA's Industrial Development Division have collaborated in the preparation of a preliminary analysis.</p>
05-114	1	<p><u>Economies of scale in the steel industry</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> This study, on which work started early in 1963, will bring up to date and expand an earlier one, presented at the Expert Working Group on Iron and Steel Industry in Latin America (Bogotá, 1952).</p>

/Basic equipment

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05-12	1	<p><u>Basic equipment industries</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 57 (V), 96 (VI), 127 (VII), 161 (VIII), 162 (VIII) and 207 (IX). (Applicable also to projects Nos. 05-121 to 05-124 and 05-13 below.)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> A number of studies prepared for the Seminar on Industrial Programming dealt with problems of the basic equipment industries, with particular reference to programming criteria and economies of scale. During 1963, the study on basic equipment in Argentina was revised and expanded to include an analysis of institutional factors and of industrial policy affecting the manufacture of basic equipment, and it will be published early in 1964. (United Nations publication, Sales No. 64.II.G.5).</p> <p>As from 1963, this project has been strengthened by the addition of a regional adviser on metal-transforming industries supplied by BTAO.</p> <p>It is proposed to continue with these studies, as follows:</p>
05-121	2	<p><u>Basic equipment in Chile</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> A preliminary study on basic equipment in Chile was prepared by a BTAO expert and the Chilean Development Corporation (CORFO), with the co-operation of ECLA. Plans are being made to continue and expand this study.</p>
05-122	2	<p><u>Basic equipment in Mexico</u></p> <p><u>Note:</u> It is intended to continue the series with a study of basic equipment in Mexico.</p>
05-123	2	<p><u>Basic equipment in other countries</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> As resources permit, it is intended to proceed with studies of the basic equipment industries in Colombia, Ecuador and Venezuela, in accordance with the needs indicated in the relevant development programmes.</p>
05-124	2	<p><u>Seminar on machinery manufacture and construction of heavy equipment</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> In view of the findings of the studies included under project No. 05-12, it is hoped that funds may be available in the technical assistance programme</p>

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		in 1965 for a seminar on machinery manufacture and construction of heavy equipment, to be organized jointly by ECLA, BTAO and the United Nations Centre for Industrial Development.
05-13	1	<p><u>Machine-tool industries</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> Following the study on basic equipment in Brazil, a study on the machine-tool industry in that country was prepared (E/CN.12/633).</p> <p>Work on this industry will continue during 1964 in other countries, including Argentina, Colombia, Mexico and Venezuela, with a view to preparing material for the seminar described under project No. 05-124 above.</p>
05-14	1	<p><u>Motor vehicle industry</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 207 (IX).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The secretariat has for some time been concerned with the development of the motor vehicle industry in Latin America. A study on some specific aspects of the industry in Brazil was submitted at the eighth session (Information paper No. 31). For the Seminar on Industrial Programming, an analysis was made of the Brazilian motor vehicle industry as a case of sectoral programming (ST/ECLA/CONF.11/L.16), and a tentative approach made to the subject of economies of scale in this industry, in the light of the experience in that country.</p>
05-15	1	<p><u>Chemical industry</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 59 (V), 97 (VI), 137 (VII) and 162 (VIII).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The two-part study on the chemical industry in Latin America (E/CN.12/591 and E/CN.12/618) has been thoroughly revised and will shortly be published (United Nations Publication, Sales No. 64.II.G.7). Work is proceeding now on the organization of the seminar described below. BTAO has provided a regional adviser on the chemical industry as from 1963.</p>

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05-151	2	<p><u>Seminar on the programming of integrated development in the chemical industry</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 97 (VI).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> In view of the findings of the study indicated under project No. 05-15 above and the request contained in resolution 97 (VI), plans are being made to hold a seminar on the programming of regionally integrated development of the chemical industry. It will be convened in the second half of 1964 by ECLA, BFAO and the United Nations Centre for Industrial Development, and will review the present status of the industry in Latin America, the possibilities for development and expansion of some branches of the industry in the region, the integration problems of the chemical industry in Latin America and prospects for development through co-ordination of activities under an integrated regional programme.</p>
05-152	2	<p><u>Advisory services for carrying out development programmes in the chemical industry</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 137 (VII).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> It is envisaged that advisory services will be requested of the secretariat from time to time in connexion with the development of the chemical industry. This will be closely co-ordinated with the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning. Individual projects will be reviewed, as well as the entire chemical sector in different countries; in some cases, the advice will be given on a regional basis in connexion with the negotiation of complementarity agreements within the framework of ALALC.</p>
05-16	1	<p><u>Forest industries</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 58 (V), 98 (VI), 128 (VII), 163 (VIII), 202 (IX) and 236 (X).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The work programme for the pulp and paper and forest industries is prepared and carried out with the collaboration of FAO and BFAO, since it incorporates the activities of the ECLA/FAO/BFAO Pulp and Paper Advisory Group. Two studies were published in 1963 (see <u>Latin American timber trends and prospects</u>, United Nations publication, Sales No. 63.II.G.1, and <u>Pulp and paper prospects in Latin America</u>, United Nations publication, Sales No. 63.II.G.7). Work during 1964</p>

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will be concentrated mainly on the preparations for a meeting on the pulp and paper industry, being organized by FAO with the co-sponsorship of ECLA in October 1964, to review economic aspects of the industry, supply, demand and trade, regional co-operation and trends and prospects for the supply of raw materials.

A survey is being carried out on wood-based panel products, with special reference to standards and the collection of statistical material. Field work has so far been completed in Brazil and may later be extended to Argentina. A study is being made of research activities in the region concerning forest industries, with special reference to pulp and paper. The work being done by existing research institutes is being explored, together with development activities in the industry.

The advisory services to governments will continue, with particular reference to integration prospects and the preparation of projects for submission to the United Nations Special Fund. During 1963, a report on the pulp and paper industry in Uruguay was completed, as a contribution to the work of the joint Advisory Group operating in that country. It contained recommendations for establishing a newsprint industry in Uruguay.

05-2

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Traditional industries

Authority: ECLA resolutions 10 (IV), 11 (IV), 116 (VII), 127 (VII), 137 (VII), 201 (IX) and 235 (X); Trade Committee resolution 2 (I). (Applicable also to project Nos. 05-21 and 05-211 to 05-214 below.)

Description: Work on traditional industries has so far been concentrated on textiles. In some cases, the methods used are applicable to other traditional and consumer-goods industries, and as resources permit, it is intended to extend the work to these other industries, as requested in a number of the Commission's resolutions, in particular to the building materials industry.

05-21

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Textile industries

Description: The second study in this series, relating to Brazil, has been revised and sent to press (United Nations publication, Sales No. 64.II.G.2 - English only).

/BTAO collaborated

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
		BTAO collaborated in the work on textiles in 1963 by providing a regional textiles adviser. Work is currently proceeding on a number of other studies as indicated in the detailed projects below.
05-211	2	<p><u>Studies of the textile industry in the ALALC countries</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> The study of the textile industry in Uruguay has been completed and the first draft of the study on Colombia has been distributed to the industry for comments and criticism. Drafting is proceeding on a similar study for Peru. The country studies are being extended to the remaining ALALC members and field work was completed in Argentina and Paraguay during 1963. The recommendations and conclusions will be followed up by the secretariat in collaboration with the interested national and international agencies and the textile industry. A similar study is being undertaken in Mexico, by a government agency and will be coordinated with the other country studies prepared by the secretariat to ensure comparability of the conclusions.</p>
05-212	2	<p><u>Regional study of operating conditions in the textile industry in the ALALC countries</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> Following the completion of the country studies described in project No. 05-211 above, a regional study is envisaged, summing up the results obtained and presenting them on a comparative basis. Work on this should be completed towards the end of 1964.</p>
05-213	2	<p><u>Study of operating conditions in the textile industry in Bolivia and Venezuela</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> Field work has been completed in Bolivia for a study similar to those for the ALALC countries, and a draft has been submitted to the industry for comments. A study of the same type will subsequently be undertaken for Venezuela.</p>
05-214	2	<p><u>Programming manual for the textile industry</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> The work undertaken on the selection of techniques and manpower absorption, economies of scale and programming data and presented at the Seminar on Industrial Programming will be used as the nucleus for the preparation of a manual outlining a methodology for measuring textile productivity, evaluating the obsolescence</p>

/of machinery

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of machinery and estimating needs for replacement, indicating the action needed for internal reorganization in individual cases, and so forth. This may be included as part of the regional study described under project No. 05-212 above.

/06. ECONOMIC

## 06. ECONOMIC PROBLEMS OF AGRICULTURE

(Projects undertaken in collaboration with FAO)

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
06-0	1	<p><u>Agricultural development and planning</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 62 (V), 88 (VI), 89 (VI), 158 (VIII), 182 (IX), 183 (IX) and 225 (X).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Work on this topic constitutes one of the Joint ECLA/FAO Agriculture Division's most important continuing projects. Some of the research involved is used to provide material for the preparation of the <u>Economic Survey of Latin America</u>, and the FAO publication entitled <u>The State of Food and Agriculture</u>, both published annually.</p> <p>A study was completed for the tenth session on problems and prospects for agriculture in Latin America, (see <u>Economic Bulletin for Latin America</u>, Vol. VIII, No. 2). It is necessary to expand research on agricultural problems in order to cover some basic areas in Latin America that are urgently requiring investigation for sound agricultural development planning. The following projects are envisaged under this heading for 1964-1965:</p>
06-01	1	<p><u>Principal physical agricultural inputs and their relationship to agricultural productivity within the framework of regional integration</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 62 (V), 87 (VI), 92 (VI), 134 (VII) and 225 (X).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Research work will be done on the main factors which determine the level of demand for fertilizers, chemical and biological products for agriculture and animal husbandry, agricultural machinery and certified seed, as well as on the supply of these inputs. An effort will be made to establish what barriers stand in the way of greater trade in these products among the countries in the region and to determine the possible location of industrial plants for producing these goods within the framework of regional integration, with a view to substituting current imports from outside the area and to meeting future increases in consumption.</p>

/Work on



<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
		<p>Work on this study began towards the end of 1963 in one country and it is hoped to obtain financial and technical collaboration from the IDB in order to extend the work to other countries in the region.</p>
06-02	2	<p><u>Study on the existing agricultural research (both technical and economic) and extension facilities in Latin America</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 158 (VIII) and 225 (X).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> This study, which forms part of CIDA's programme, will assess the future expansion needed to meet the increase in production and level of productivity required to satisfy future demand for agricultural commodities. The secretariat helped to prepare the outline for study and its programme of action and will participate in the revision of the final report.</p>
06-03	1	<p><u>Study on the terms of trade for agricultural commodities within each country</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 62 (V).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The relationship between prices received and paid by farmers will be investigated, as well as its influence on agricultural income and investment. Some aspects of this project will be covered in the study described under project No. 06-01 above.</p>
06-04	1	<p><u>Study on the patterns of consumption of agricultural commodities in Latin America</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 158 (VIII). (Applicable also to project No. 06-05 below.)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The study will be made on different areas and in relation to various income groups, as and when resources permit.</p>
06-05	1	<p><u>Study on long-term prospects for domestic demand and supply in respect of agricultural commodities</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> The study will be made on the basis of the information provided by the previous studies. An analysis will be made of the requisite increase in agricultural production by main commodities and geographical areas. Some aspects of this project were included in the document prepared for the Conference on Trade and Development (E/CN.12/693).</p>

/Collaboration with

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
06-06	1	<p><u>Collaboration with the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 89 (VI) and 184 (IX).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The collaboration will be with special reference to the preparation and conduct of the courses on agricultural planning and the work of the Advisory Groups, which are the responsibility of the Institute.</p>
06-1	1	<p><u>Study of factors affecting the development of live-stock products in Latin America</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 91 (VI).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The study on livestock in Brazil was revised prior to publication (United Nations publication, Sales No. 64.II.G.3). Work is proceeding on a similar study for Argentina and during 1964 the research will be extended to Central America. Thereafter a report for the region as a whole will be prepared.</p>
06-2	1	<p><u>Expansion of trade in agricultural products</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 158 (VIII) and 182 (IX).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Considerable material relating to the expansion of trade in agricultural products was prepared for the secretariat's contribution to the documentation for the Conference on Trade and Development. This research will be continued in line with the secretariat's general follow-up to the Conference.</p> <p>In connexion with intra-regional trade, FAO will strengthen the Joint ECLA/FAO Agriculture Division in 1964 by providing an additional staff member who will work with ALALC on all matters relating to agriculture.</p>
06-3	1	<p><u>Problems of agricultural economy and land reform</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 66 (V), 182 (IX) and 225 (X).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The Joint ECLA/FAO Agriculture Division collaborates in the work of the Inter-American Committee for Agricultural Development, (CIDA), established jointly in 1961 by OAS, FAO, ECLA, IDB and the Inter-American Institute of Agricultural Sciences. In addition to project No. 06-02 above, the CIDA programme includes the following projects:</p>

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
		(a) inventory of the information available on Latin American agriculture; the study was completed in the course of 1963 and is now being distributed to governments for comments;
		(b) situation of land tenure in Latin America; seven countries have been covered so far;
		(c) mission to the Department of Caldas, Colombia for the study and establishment of a programme of agricultural diversification. This project will be completed in the course of 1964;
		(d) mission to Brazil, for agricultural planning purposes.

/07. NATURAL

07. NATURAL RESOURCES, INCLUDING ENERGY --

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
07-0	1	<u>Energy</u>
07-01	1	<u>Development of energy resources</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 99 (VI), 100 (VI), 130 (VII), 164 (VIII) and 165 (VIII). (Applicable also to project No. 07-011 below.)  <u>Description:</u> During 1963, advice was given to the Advisory Group to Uruguay on problems of energy and power. Statistics on fuel and electric power consumption are being kept up to date. Towards the middle of 1964, work will start on a study of fuel efficiency and air pollution.
07-011	2	<u>Follow-up to the Latin American Electric Power Seminar</u>  <u>Description:</u> Studies are being prepared on rural electrification problems, for presentation at a meeting on this subject to be held in Argentina during the second half of 1964. It will be co-sponsored by the secretariat and by the Government of Argentina.  Work is also proceeding on papers to be presented at a meeting on hydro-electric resources, problems of electricity inter-connexion and manufacture of electrical equipment in the region, to be held in Brazil in 1965.
07-012	1	<u>Latin American Electric Power Review</u>  <u>Note:</u> The Latin American Electric Power Review was established by the Latin American electric power industry during 1963. The secretariat has agreed to advise the editors of this publication on a continuing basis, since the idea of founding it arose during the discussions at the Latin American Electric Power Seminar.
07-02	1	<u>Study of petroleum resources and their utilization in Latin America</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 99 VI).  <u>Description:</u> Work has started on the collection of data for this study, and it is anticipated that the study itself will be commenced in 1964.

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
07-1		<u>Water resources</u>  <u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 99 (VI), 166 (VIII) and 204 (IX). (Applicable also to project Nos. 07-11 to 07-14, below.)
07-11	1	<u>Multiple utilization of water resources in Latin America</u>  <u>Description:</u> The secretariat's work on water resources is carried out in close conjunction with BTAO, as part of a regional technical assistance project to provide water resources survey missions to those countries requesting them. The World Meteorological Organization participated in the project, to which it contributed the services of a regional hydrologist and hydro-meteorologist.  A study presented at the tenth session (E/CN.12/650) describes the experience gained as a result of the six missions already completed, and this work has since been reviewed in order to set out possible follow-up in the form of technical assistance and United Nations Special Fund projects.
07-12	2	<u>Water resources survey mission to Argentina</u>  <u>Description:</u> This mission is being carried out in close collaboration with the Federal Investment Council (CFI) of Argentina, which has already collected much of the basic material. Field work was completed in the course of 1963, and the final report should be ready early in 1964.
07-13	2	<u>Water resources survey mission to Peru</u>  <u>Description:</u> The Government of Peru has requested a mission on water resources, which was organized at the beginning of 1964. During 1963, with advice from the secretariat, the Government organized the collection of data and appointed staff to work on the preparatory stages of the project.
07-14	2	<u>Water resources survey mission to Central America</u>  <u>Description:</u> In connexion with the Central American Economic Integration Programme, the ECLA Mexico Office is organizing a water resources survey mission to the Central American countries (see project No. 04-422).

/Other natural

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
07-2	1	<p><u>Other natural resources</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 60 (V), 131 (VII) and 239 (X). (Applicable also to project No. 07-21 below.)</p>
07-21	1	<p><u>Development of natural resources</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> In view of the stress laid on natural resources in connexion with the United Nations Development Decade, and the mandate contained in Economic and Social Council resolution 916 (XXXIV), as well as the Commission's resolution 60 (V), requesting the secretariat to prepare an inventory of non-agricultural natural resources, the secretariat prepared for the tenth session a first estimate of the present status of knowledge of the main resources in the region (E/CN.12/670 and Add. 1-5). The work on soil, vegetation and fisheries is being undertaken with the help of FAO and consultants. Work is also proceeding on mineral resources. This research is being continued in greater depth, in co-operation with the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning and other interested international organizations, with a view to convening a meeting of experts.</p>
07-22	3	<p><u>Utilization of international rivers and lakes</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 131 (VII).</p> <p><u>Note:</u> In the course of 1963, the secretariat gave technical advice to a BTAO mission concerning the development of the La Plata River Basin and subsequently commented on the corresponding report. There is a possibility of a Special Fund project developing as a result of the mission, and the secretariat will in any event follow the matter closely and give any assistance possible.</p>

/08. TRANSPORT

## 08. TRANSPORT

(carried out by ECLA with the co-operation of OAS)

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
08-0	1	<p><u>Study of the transport situation and basic transport problems in Latin America</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 69 (V) and 120 (VII); Committee of the Whole resolution 38 (AC.16). (Applicable also to project No. 08-01 below.)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The general survey of the evolution of transport in the post-war period and of the basic problems for the future will be completed early in 1964.</p>
08-01	2	<p><u>Study of sectoral and special problems</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> It is envisaged that further studies of special and sectoral problems, including those relating to agricultural, industrial and regional integration, will be needed in the light of the conclusions reached by the general study.</p>
08-1	2	<p><u>Ports</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 69 (V); Committee of the Whole resolution 38 (AC.16).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> The secretariat is collaborating with OAS in its study on ports undertaken in pursuance of a resolution adopted at the Punta del Este Conference in 1961. In this way, work is being done on a project which has been a matter of concern to the Commission for many years, though little progress has been made on it for want of resources.</p>
08-2	2	<p><u>Improvement of transport conditions and services for the development of regional trade</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 214 (IX) and 222 (X); Trade Committee resolution 15 (III). (Applicable also to project Nos. 08-21 and 08-22 below.)</p> <p><u>Description:</u> This project calls for a study of the need for improving the availability and conditions of inland and maritime transport facilities with a view to the expansion of trade among Latin American countries, including the incidence of freight rates on present and future commodity trade flows and other problems of trade /policy in</p>

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		policy in regard to transport. It further involves the study of transport problems related to the implementation of multilateral economic integration agreements in the area and co-operation in this respect with ALALC. (This project is closely linked with project No. 03-41.)
08-21	2	<p><u>Maritime transport in relation to the ALALC countries</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> Work on the maritime aspects of the main project described under No. 08-2 above has been started, with particular reference to the simplification and standardization of shipping documents. This should include research on the establishment of basic loads, organization of special storage areas, and so forth.</p>
08-22	2	<p><u>Transport problems in relation to expansion of trade in manufactured goods</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> If means permit, it is planned to prepare, in 1964, a study of transport problems in relation to the expansion of trade in manufactured goods from Latin America to developed areas.</p>
08-3	2	<p><u>Seminars and expert working groups in intra-regional transport problems</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> Committee of the Whole resolution 179 (AC.45).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> It is anticipated that the general study (project No. 08-0) will define specific problems related to inland or maritime transport or transport planning, requiring special attention by working groups or seminars.</p>

/09. STATISTICS



09. STATISTICS

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
09-1	1	<u>Preparation of statistical series</u>

Authority: Terms of reference of the Commission; ECLA resolutions 44 (V), 64 (V) and 79 (VI).

Description: The preparation of statistical series is a continuing task which has been pursued ever since the Commission was established. Series are maintained for national income, industry, agriculture, external trade, and so forth. Other series include demographic and vital statistics, housing, health, education and levels of living. These series also form the basic material for the Economic Survey. The Statistical Supplement, which has been a regular feature of the Economic Bulletin for Latin America for several years, was published separately in two issues in 1962, and in mimeographed form in 1963. As from 1964 a separate Statistical Bulletin will be published.

09-2	1	<u>Regional statistical advisers</u>
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Authority: ECLA resolutions 154 (VIII) and 196 (IX).

Description: A regional technical assistance project was started by BTAO in 1962, under which three regional statistical advisers have been provided to assist countries, at their request, in operational activities relating to economic statistics, sampling and field surveys, and demographic and social statistics. This work is co-ordinated by the Office of the Regional Statistician assigned to ECLA. For 1964, an additional regional adviser on economic statistics, with special reference to national accounts, will be provided for the area covered by ECLA's Mexico Office.

Since the tenth session, technical assistance missions on demographic and social statistics have been undertaken in Chile, Peru and Venezuela; on sampling and field surveys in Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela; and on economic statistics in Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Paraguay.

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In addition to the missions itemized above, the three regional advisers helped the secretariat to carry out an evaluation of Chile's national system of statistics, which resulted in a request for a broad technical assistance mission.

09-3	1	<u>Meetings and seminars on specific statistical problems</u>
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Authority: ECLA resolutions 154 (VIII) and 196 (IX). (Applicable also to project Nos. 09-31 to 09-33 and 09-4 below.)

Description: Following earlier seminars on industrial statistics (October 1960) and on housing statistics and programmes (September 1962), a working group on the classification of industrial products was held at ECLA headquarters in November 1963.

Plans are being made to hold further seminars or meetings in 1964, if resources permit, with the help of the United Nations Statistical Office and BTAO, as follows:

09-31	2	<u>Seminar on basic statistics for economic programming</u>
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Note: This seminar which had been included as a high priority project in the plans for the 1964 technical assistance programme will now be organized by IASI, with the help of the ECLA secretariat and the United Nations Statistical Office.

09-32	2	<u>Second Latin American seminar on civil registration</u>
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Description: This seminar will take place in Lima, Peru, from 30 November through 11 December. A preparatory committee has been established with the participation of all the co-sponsors, which are the United Nations Statistical Office, ECLA, BTAO, IASI, PASB/WHO, the Inter-American Association of Civil Registrars and the Inter-American Institute of the Child.

09-33	2	<u>Working group on industrial classification (second meeting)</u>
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Note: Plans are being made to hold a second meeting of the working group on industrial classification, as and when resources permit.

/Preparation of

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
09-4	1	<p><u>Preparation of a minimum programme of basic statistics</u></p> <p><u>Description:</u> As a contribution towards the definition of a minimum programme of basic statistics, a paper has been prepared on the use of national accounts for purposes of analysis and development programming (E/CN.12/671).</p>
09-5	1	<p><u>Studies on specific statistical topics</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 197 (IX).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> As and when resources permit, special studies are envisaged in connexion with indicators of levels of living, basic statistics for economic and social development, methods of capital formation statistics. In addition, special statistical work is being done in connexion with the study on inputs in agriculture (project No. 06-01).</p>

/10. OTHER PROJECTS

## 10. OTHER PROJECTS

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
10-0	1	<p><u>Publicity concerning the Commission's work</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolutions 108 (VI), 199 (IX) and 223 (X); Trade Committee resolution 10 (II).</p>
10-01	2	<p><u>Ad hoc advisory group on publicity</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> ECLA resolution 223 (X).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> An <u>ad hoc</u> advisory group is to be set up to undertake the following tasks:</p> <p>(a) to analyse past obstacles to extensive dissemination of information on the Commission's work;</p> <p>(b) to make specific proposals for the early removal of such obstacles, with special emphasis on measures that may be adopted to enlist in the service of information and publicity on economic matters the educational centres, the press, radio and private sector organizations;</p> <p>(c) to make suggestions for mobilizing the necessary financial resources for a publicity campaign.</p>
10-02	1	<p><u>Dissemination of information on the benefits to be obtained from the expansion of trade and on the reasons for establishing a common market</u></p> <p><u>Authority:</u> Trade Committee resolution 10 (II).</p> <p><u>Description:</u> Addresses, lectures and statements have been given in relation to this project, and numerous press releases have been distributed.</p>

## /11. DECENTRALIZATION

11. DECENTRALIZATION OF REGIONAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES  
AND CO-OPERATION IN THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
11-0	1	<u>Decentralization of regional technical assistance activities</u>

Authority: ECLA resolutions 51 (V) and 210 (X); Committee of the Whole resolution 110 (AC.34). (Applicable also to project No. 11-1 below.)

Description: The secretariat has, during 1963, continued to take increasing responsibility for regional technical assistance projects, for a number of which it has substantive responsibility. A particularly important role is played by the secretariat in connexion with the technical assistance accorded to the Central American Economic Integration Programme.

The secretariat has played an important part, with respect to regional projects, in the preparations for the 1965-66 expanded programme, and the 1965 regular programme. ECLA will be responsible for the implementation of the majority of these projects.

EIAO provides fellowships for the Training Programme and supports the intensive training courses organized by the Institute (see E/CN.12/678 and Add.1).

The list of activities below is divided into continuing regional projects, including regional advisers, and seminars or meetings, included in the programme for 1964. The project numbers in parentheses on the left refer to the corresponding projects as described in the work programme above.

Joint regional projects, including regional advisers

1. Under the substantive responsibility of ECLA Headquarters, Santiago

(a) Advisory Groups Programme (with the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning)

Authority: Economic and Social Council resolution 222 (IX). (Applicable also to items (b), (c), (d) (i) and (d) (ii) below.)

/(b) Training

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
		(b) Training Programme (also with the Institute)
(05-16)		(c) ECLA/FAO/BTAO Pulp and Paper Advisory Group
		(d) Regional advisers on industrial problems
(05-0)		(i) Industrial integration (as from 1964)
(05-04)		(ii) Technological research for industry (one adviser)
(05-12)		(iii) Mechanical industries (one adviser, recruited in 1963)
		<u>Authority:</u> General Assembly resolution 200 (III). (Applicable also to (iv) below.)
(05-15)		(iv) Chemical industry (one adviser, recruited in 1963)
(02-2)		(e) Regional Advisory Group on Trade Policy (three advisers)
		<u>Authority:</u> Economic and Social Council resolution 222 (IX)
(09-2)		(f) Three regional statistical advisers
		<u>Authority:</u> General Assembly resolution 200 (III)
(07-1)		(g) ECLA/BTAO/WMO Water Resources Survey Group
		<u>Authority:</u> Economic and Social Council resolution 222 (IX)
(01-3)		(h) Two regional advisers on housing
		<u>Authority:</u> General Assembly resolution 418 (V)
		(i) Regional adviser on public administration (in co-operation with the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning)
		<u>Authority:</u> General Assembly resolution 723 (VIII)
		(j) Regional adviser on community development (Andean Indian project)
		<u>Authority:</u> General Assembly resolution 418 (V)
(01-2)		(k) Latin American Demographic Centre (CELADE)
		<u>Authority:</u> General Assembly resolution 200 (III).

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
		2. <u>Under the substantive responsibility of ECLA Office Mexico</u>
(04)		(l) Central American Economic Integration Programme - thirteen regional experts, for textile industries, power development, customs union, industrial development, population, electrical engineering, surface transport, shipping and ports, public finance, land tenure, housing, equalization of social charges, and socio-economic aspects of income distribution.  <u>Authority:</u> General Assembly resolutions 200 (III) and 418 (V); Economic and Social Council resolution 222 (IX)
(04-71)		(m) Advanced School of Public Administration for Central America (ESAPAC).  <u>Authority:</u> General Assembly resolution 723 (VIII); Economic and Social Council resolution 222 (IX)
		(n) Regional Fundamental Education Centre (CREFAL)  <u>Authority:</u> General Assembly resolutions 418 (IV) and 723 (VIII).
		(o) Regional economic adviser for the Caribbean  <u>Authority:</u> General Assembly resolution 200 (III)
		(p) Regional community development adviser for the Caribbean (vacant)  <u>Authority:</u> General Assembly resolution 418 (V)
(04-5)		(q) Regional adviser on economic statistics (as from 1964)
(04-04)		(r) Central American Programming Mission - 5 experts  <u>Authority:</u> Economic and Social Council resolution 222 (IX)

### /3. Seminars

<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
		3. <u>Seminars or meetings scheduled for 1964</u>
(05-151)	2	(s) Seminar on chemical industries in Latin America - second half of 1964  <u>Authority:</u> General Assembly resolution 200 (III)
(02-3)	2	(t) Seminars or courses on trade policy (replaced in 1963 by two meetings of a panel of experts on trade policy)  <u>Authority:</u> Economic and Social Council resolution 222 (IX)
(09-31)	2	(u) Seminar on basic statistics for economic and social planning (with the United Nations Statistical Office and IASI)  <u>Authority:</u> General Assembly resolution 200 (III) (Applicable also to (y) below.)
(09-32)	2	(y) Second seminar on civil registration (with the Statistical Office and other organizations)
(01-13)	2	(w) Meeting of experts on social development planning  <u>Authority:</u> General Assembly resolution 418 (V) (Applicable also to item (x) below.)
(01-4)	2	(x) Seminar on planning and administration of community development
(04-711 to 2 04-721)	2	(y) Advanced School of Public Administration for Central America (ESAPAC) - Seminars and Courses  <u>Authority:</u> General Assembly resolution 723 (VIII)  ESAPAC will organize some eleven seminars and courses in 1964, as indicated in projects 04-711 to 04-721, for some of which BTAO will provide financing in whole or in part.

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<u>Project number</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Title, authority and description</u>
11-1	1	<u>Cooperation in the technical assistance programme at the country level</u>

Description: Through the Advisory Groups now organized by the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning, the Commission has participated in the preparation of some country programmes in the economic and social field, and this work will be extended by the secretariat to other countries as and when resources permit.

As from 1964, the secretariat will comment on the reports of country experts falling within its areas of competence.

At the meeting of resident representatives of the Technical Assistance Board and directors of Special Fund Programmes held at Santiago, Chile, from 10 to 12 February 1964, a number of matters relating to the relationship between the resident representatives and the Advisory Groups (tripartite or otherwise) were discussed with the secretariat and with the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning. The participation of the ECLA secretariat in programming for 1965-66 at the country level was also discussed at that meeting.