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NOTE BY THE SECRETARIAT ON RESOLUTIONS OF CONCERN TO THE  
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ITS FORTIETH SESSION

In document E/CN.12/AC.58/4 the secretariat draws the attention of the Committee of the Whole to the resolutions of concern or of possible interest to the Economic Commission for Latin America adopted by the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council. The present document supplements that information by informing the Committee of the Whole about the resolutions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its fortieth session which are of concern to the Commission and may require some action on the part of the Committee of the Whole.

1109 (XL) - Tourism (1417th plenary meeting, 7 March 1966)

In this resolution the Council invited the United Nations bodies and specialized agencies concerned to give favourable consideration to requests for providing increased technical and financial assistance to the developing countries in order to speed the development of their tourist resources. The Council also requested the Secretary-General to prepare, periodically and at least every three years, in co-operation with the International Union of Official Travel Organizations as appropriate, reports and studies on such aspects of the development of tourism and the application of the recommendations of the United Nations Conference on International Travel and Tourism as are relevant to accelerated social progress and economic growth.

1112 (XL) - Non-agricultural resources (1417th plenary meeting, 7 March 1966)

In this resolution the Council requested the Secretary-General, in co-operation with various other bodies and with the Governments of interested Member States, avoiding any over-lapping or duplication with the existing programmes of United Nations bodies, to make a survey of the present state of knowledge of the mineral and food resources of the sea beyond the continental shelf, and of the techniques for exploiting those resources, and to attempt to identify those resources now considered to be capable of economic exploitation, especially for the benefit of developing countries.

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1113 (XL) - Development of non-agricultural resources (1417th plenary meeting, 7 March 1966)

The Council welcomed the initiative taken by the Secretary-General in submitting to the Council a long-range programme designed to encourage the development of non-agricultural resources with a view to strengthening the economic basis and economic independence of the developing countries. The Council recommended that the Secretary-General may consult outside experts, specially qualified in the respective fields of non-agricultural resources development, on the various surveys and projects within the proposed programme and the priorities that should be assigned to them with a view to achieving the targets of the United Nations Development Decade. The Council also requested the Secretary-General to consult the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development on the proposed programme, and to invite Governments to communicate their views and comments on the programme and the possibilities of financing it. The Secretary-General was also requested to report to the Council at its forty-first session, when there would be a general review for the purpose of defining the means and feasibility of implementing the programme.

1114 (XL) - Water desalination (1417th plenary meeting, 7 March 1966)

In this resolution the Council, after referring to earlier resolutions on water desalination and expressing the belief that further expansion of activities in this field is desirable to meet the needs of the water-short developing countries and the world at large, approved the work programme proposed by the Secretary-General in this field and requested him to take steps to implement it, including as appropriate an approach to Governments and organizations that might make the services of experts and consultants, as well as other resources, available at their expense.