

**598(XXX) IMPLEMENTATION OF PARTICIPATION OF ECLAC ASSOCIATE  
MEMBER COUNTRIES IN THE FOLLOW-UP TO UNITED NATIONS WORLD  
CONFERENCES  
AND IN THE WORK OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL**

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Recalling its resolution 574(XXVII) of 16 May 1998 on the “Participation of ECLAC Associate Member Countries in the Follow-up to United Nations World Conferences and in the Work of the Economic and Social Council”, and its resolutions 543(XXV) of 27 April 1994 on the participation of associate member countries in United Nations world conferences,

Welcoming relevant resolutions of the United Nations General Assembly providing for the participation of associate members of regional economic commissions in the United Nations conferences in the economic and social sphere since 1992, and most recently in the 2003 World Summit on the Information Society,

Further welcoming relevant resolutions of the United Nations General Assembly, and the Economic and Social Council, in particular ECOSOC resolution 2033/51 of 17 July 2003, in favour of strengthening support for non-self-governing territories, many of which are associate members of regional economic commissions,

Aware of the established practice of formal participation of civil society in the work of ECOSOC and its subsidiary organs,

1. Welcomes the continued support of the international community for the inclusion of the relevant category providing for the participation of associate members of regional economic commissions in the United Nations world conferences, and in relevant special sessions of the United Nations General Assembly to review and assess the implementation of the programmes of action emanating from these conferences;

2. Reiterates its request, as contained in its resolution 574(XXVII), for the establishment of necessary mechanisms for the participation of associate members of regional economic commissions in the work of the Economic and Social Council, and in its subsidiary bodies;

3. Requests the Executive Secretary to transmit the present resolution to the Economic and Social Council for inclusion as a matter calling for action by the Council.