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NOTE BY THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE INTER-AMERICAN ECONOMIC  
AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

A meeting for the purpose of holding consultations on economic and social development planning will open on 26 February at Santiago, Chile. Senior planning officials from countries participating in the Alliance for Progress will be attending the meeting at the invitation of the Executive Secretary of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council.

Members of the Panel of Experts appointed by IA-ECOSOC in accordance with the provisions of the Punta del Este Charter will also attend the meeting. The presence of these experts and of senior planning officials from the countries of the region will facilitate general consultations and the exchange of experiences on problems arising out of the preparation of short-term and long-term plans. It will also enable private inter-country consultations to be held, whose representatives so desire, with the possible view to studying guidelines for the organization and preparation of development plans and policies.

Prior to this meeting a Latin American Seminar on Planning was held under the auspices of the Economic Commission for Latin America, the Inter-American Development Bank and the Organization of American States, at which a group of experts studied problems arising out of the formulation of economic and social development plans, particularly short-term plans.

Two documents setting forth some of the findings of the Seminar ( See documents CP/3 and CP/4) will be distributed in due course to participants at the present meeting for consideration.