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**REPORT OF THE THIRTY-SECOND SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE
OF THE WHOLE**

New York, 30 January 2017

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A. ATTENDANCE AND ORGANIZATION OF WORK

Place and date of the meeting

1. The thirty-second session of the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) was held at United Nations Headquarters in New York on 30 January 2017. The meeting was convened by the Executive Secretary of the Commission and by the Government of Mexico, in its capacity as Chair of the Committee of the Whole.

Attendance¹

2. The meeting was attended by representatives of the following States members of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean: Argentina, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, France, Germany, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Mexico, Nicaragua, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Republic of Korea, Saint Lucia, Spain, United Kingdom, United States and Uruguay .

3. A representative of Turkey attended the session in a consultative capacity as a State Member of the United Nations.

4. The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) was also represented.

Chair

5. The Committee of the Whole was chaired by the Officers elected at the thirty-sixth session of ECLAC, held in Mexico City from 23 to 27 May 2016, as follows: Chair, Mexico; Vice-Chairs, Argentina, Cuba and Saint Kitts and Nevis.

B. OPENING OF THE SESSION

6. At the opening session statements were made by Juan José Gómez Camacho, Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations, in his capacity as Chair of the Committee of the Whole, and Maria Luiza Ribeiro Viotti, Chef de Cabinet of the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

7. The Chair welcomed the delegations and acknowledged the important work done by ECLAC for the benefit of the region. The Commission had become an indispensable instrument and source of support for the coordination of intergovernmental work. Hence, Mexico, in its capacity as Chair of the Committee, would focus on creating forums for dialogue among members, with a view to strengthening cooperation, solidarity and capacity-building, particularly with respect to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The support provided to countries by ECLAC was vital for building a Latin American and Caribbean region united in well-being, inclusive development and prosperity.

¹ See the full list of participants in annex 5.

8. The Chef de Cabinet of the Secretary-General of the United Nations said that ECLAC was a mandatory reference for those who studied the region's economic history. ECLAC had demonstrated dynamic thinking that heeded the immense changes in the region's economic, social and political realities. Latin America and the Caribbean once again faced a crossroads and the Commission's support and intellectual contributions were needed to help countries move forward as they faced a double challenge: on the one hand, how to protect and sustain the economic and social achievements of the previous decade at a time when regional growth rates were slowing, and, on the other hand, how to maximize the tremendous transformative potential of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. She said that the Secretary-General was positioning the 2030 Agenda at the centre of the work of the United Nations and that the Regional Commissions would play an essential role, as they provided a platform for policy dialogue and the exchange of experiences. The first meeting of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development, to be held in Mexico City in April 2017, would be an essential conduit to link regional and global discussions.

C. AGENDA

9. The Committee adopted the following agenda:
1. Adoption of the agenda.
 2. Economic and social panorama of Latin America and the Caribbean.
 3. Report by the secretariat on the activities of the subsidiary bodies of the Commission since its thirty-sixth session.
 4. Report by the Chair on preparations for the first meeting of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development.
 5. Consideration of the request of the Republic of Turkey for admission as a member of ECLAC.
 6. Consideration of the request of France for admission of French Guiana as an associate member of ECLAC.
 7. Other matters.

D. SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

Economic and social panorama of Latin America and the Caribbean (agenda item 2)

10. In her presentation, Alicia Bárcena, the Executive Secretary of ECLAC, spoke of the region's economic and social panorama, and of the long-term global megatrends that it faced, including geopolitical changes and new global roles for China, Europe and the United States; the fourth industrial revolution characterized by the robotics boom, the importance of information and communication technologies (ICTs), biotechnology and nanotechnology; the future of work; climate change; growing inequality; and the demographic shift and migration. She said that the political economy of hyperglobalization had contributed to a fragmented trading system, more protectionism and growing uncertainty about mega-agreements. The international system was characterized by few financial regulations and weak multilateral mechanisms, especially in the international tax system, leaving room for tax avoidance and evasion, as well as a high degree of financialization.

11. The Executive Secretary said that external conditions appeared complex for 2017, with the prospect of rising commodity prices, uncertainty about the effects of reviews of free trade accords and mega-agreements, and greater financial volatility. The Latin American and Caribbean region was falling behind with respect to its involvement in the global economy, and its share of global goods and services exports had remained stagnant. While the region's share of global foreign direct investment flows had grown, it was increasingly specializing in low-tech activities. Some structural imbalances persisted, for example an undiversified production structure, lagging innovation and significant vulnerability to climate change. In the light of the existing uncertainty, there was a need for more regional integration that would promote convergence between the different subregional integration mechanisms and intraregional productive integration based on value chains. It was also necessary to move towards a single digital market, implement a regional infrastructure programme, speed up implementation of the trade facilitation agenda, foster industrialization and innovation, and increase local and regional content in production and exports.

12. She also underscored the importance of participating in global governance based on reciprocity and in coordinated regional actions to reduce tax evasion and avoidance; tax evasion accounted for 6.7 percentage points of regional GDP in 2015. ECLAC was aiming for a new development pattern, a progressive structural change based on an environmental big push that would require a political undertaking, clear direction and a new State-market-society equation. A new group of institutions and coalitions that promoted policies at the global, regional, national and local levels was also crucial. Lastly, she spoke of six pillars of action: (i) national interinstitutional and intersectoral architecture at the highest level; (ii) integration of the Sustainable Development Goals into national development plans and budgets; (iii) strengthening of countries' statistical capacities; (iv) means of implementation: financing, technology, trade and accountability; (v) strengthening of regional architecture; and (vi) fostering of spaces for dialogue between governments, firms and citizens.

13. Next, the Executive Secretary recalled the mandate that ECLAC had received from its member States, particularly resolution 700(XXXVI), which established the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development as a regional mechanism to follow up and review the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The first meeting of the Forum would be held in Mexico City in April 2017, attended by representatives of the 33 countries of the region alongside multiple stakeholders. At that meeting, ECLAC would present its annual report on regional progress and challenges in relation to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and the chairs of the ECLAC subsidiary bodies, United Nations agencies, international agencies and financial

institutions, civil society, the private sector and other relevant stakeholders would also present their reports. The Executive Secretary also said that there would be a peer-learning session on voluntary national reviews of the member countries of the Forum, a special session on the means of implementation of the 2030 Agenda and various round-table discussions on the Sustainable Development Goals.

14. In the ensuing discussion, several representatives congratulated the Executive Secretary on her presentation and spoke of the current political scenario and the implications for the region, particularly with regard to trade and migration. They also commended the Executive Secretary's leadership and commitment with respect to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and reiterated their interest in participating actively in the first meeting for the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development.

Report by the secretariat on the activities of the subsidiary bodies of the Commission since its thirty-sixth session (agenda item 3)

15. Luis Fidel Yáñez, Officer-in-Charge of the Office of the Secretary of the Commission, presented a brief summary of the report on the activities of the subsidiary bodies of ECLAC and the outcomes of other intergovernmental meetings since the thirty-sixth session² in which he emphasized how ECLAC subsidiary bodies were working towards the implementation of the 2030 Agenda in the region. In particular, he spoke of the fifteenth meeting of the Executive Committee of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of ECLAC, held in Santiago from 14 to 16 June 2016, at which the countries had agreed to create the Statistical Coordination Group for the 2030 Agenda in Latin America and the Caribbean.

16. He said that at the third meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Population and Development of Latin America and the Caribbean, held in Santiago from 4 to 6 October 2016, the countries had recognized the synergies between the Montevideo Consensus on Population and Development and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. He also spoke of the thirteenth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean, held in Montevideo from 25 to 28 October 2016, at which the countries had adopted the Montevideo Strategy for Implementation of the Regional Gender Agenda within the Sustainable Development Framework by 2030.

Report by the Chair on preparations for the first meeting of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development (agenda item 4)

17. Next, the Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations, in his capacity as Chair of the Committee of the Whole, spoke of the preparations for the first meeting of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development, to be held at the Secretariat of Foreign Affairs of Mexico, in Mexico City, from 26 to 28 April 2017. The Forum, convened by Mexico in its capacity as Chair of the Committee of the Whole, would meet under the auspices of ECLAC and would be State-led and open to the participation of all Latin America and Caribbean countries. It would be guided by the principles established for all follow-up and review processes by the 2030 Agenda and would involve States, the private sector and civil society, as well as the subsidiary bodies of ECLAC, development banks, other United Nations agencies and regional integration blocs. The cross-cutting nature of the first meeting of the Forum was reflected in the participation of multiple stakeholders. Lastly, he called on all representatives to participate actively in that important meeting and suggested that each delegation should include the most senior authorities responsible for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

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Consideration of the request of the Republic of Turkey for admission as a member of ECLAC and Consideration of the request of France for admission of French Guiana as an associate member of ECLAC (agenda items 5 and 6)

18. After reading the note sent by the Government of the Republic of Turkey, in which it requested admission as a State member of the Commission³ and the note sent by the Government of France, requesting the admission of French Guiana as an associate member of the Commission,⁴ the Chair presented two draft resolutions in which the Committee of the Whole recommended that the requests be approved.

19. The representatives of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Ecuador and the Plurinational State of Bolivia requested more time to consider the draft resolutions. The Committee of the Whole then decided to adopt both draft resolutions under silent procedure ending at 1 p.m. on Thursday, 2 February (see annex 1). After that 72-hour deadline had passed, and in accordance with silent procedure, resolution 716(PLEN.32) on the admission of Turkey, included in annex 4, was adopted.

20. With respect to the admission of French Guiana as an associate member, the silent procedure was interrupted by the representatives of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Ecuador and the Plurinational State of Bolivia, who, in the notes verbales that appear in annex 2, requested that the adoption of the resolution on the admission of French Guiana be postponed to the next session of the Committee of the Whole of ECLAC (see the note verbale from ECLAC in annex 3).

³ LC/L.4259(PLEN.32/4)/Rev.1.

⁴ LC/L.4258(PLEN.32/3)/Rev.1.

Annex 1

**NOTE VERBALE OF THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA
AND THE CARIBBEAN (ECLAC)**

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions of the States members of the Commission and hereby reports, upon instructions of the Chair of the Committee of the Whole, that the Committee, at its thirty-second session, held on 30 January in New York, adopted resolutions 715(PLEN.32), entitled “Admission of French Guiana as an associate member of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean”, and resolution 716(PLEN.32), entitled “Admission of the Republic of Turkey as a member of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean”, attached hereto, under silent procedure ending at 1 p.m. on Thursday, 2 February, as agreed by the Committee of the Whole on this date.

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean avails itself of this opportunity to reiterate to the Permanent Missions of the States members the assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, 30 January 2017



La Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe (CEPAL) saluda muy atentamente a las Misiones Permanentes de los Estados Miembros de la Comisión, y tiene a bien informar por instrucciones de la Presidencia del Comité Plenario que en el trigésimo segundo período de sesiones celebrado el 30 de enero en Nueva York, decidió aprobar los proyectos de resoluciones 715(PLEN.32) “Admisión de la Guayana Francesa como miembro asociado de la Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe”, y 716(PLEN.32) “Admisión de la República de Turquía como miembro de la Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe”, anexos a esta nota, bajo procedimiento de silencio acordado en el Comité Plenario del día de la fecha y que concluye el día jueves 2 de febrero a las 13.00 horas.

La Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe aprovecha la oportunidad para reiterar a las Misiones Permanentes de los Estados Miembros las seguridades de su consideración más alta y distinguida.



Nueva York, 30 de enero de 2017

A las
Honorables Misiones Permanentes
de los Estados Miembros de la CEPAL
acreditados ante las Naciones Unidas
Nueva York

Annex 2

NOTES VERBALES**NOTE VERBALE OF THE PLURINATIONAL STATE OF BOLIVIA**

[Translated from Spanish]

Permanent Mission of the Plurinational State of Bolivia to the United Nations

MBNU/ONU/05/2017

The Permanent Mission of the Plurinational State of Bolivia to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations, in its capacity as Chair of the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), and has the honour to refer to the note from the ECLAC secretariat, dated 30 January 2017, on the thirty-second session of the Committee of the Whole held on 30 January 2017.

The Permanent Mission of the Plurinational State of Bolivia to the United Nations has no objection to the adoption of draft resolution 716(PLN.32), “Admission of the Republic of Turkey as a member of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean”, in accordance with which the Republic of Turkey shall be admitted as a member of ECLAC.

With regard to the adoption of draft resolution 715(PLN.32), “Admission of French Guiana as an associate member of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean”, the Permanent Mission of the Plurinational State of Bolivia requests that the adoption of that draft resolution be postponed to the next session of the Committee of the Whole in 2018.

The Permanent Mission of the Plurinational State of Bolivia avails itself of this opportunity to reiterate to the Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

[Signed]

New York, 2 February 2017

**Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations
New York**



**Permanent Mission of The Plurinational State
of Bolivia to the United Nations**

MBNU/ONU/05/2017

La Misión Permanente del Estado Plurinacional de Bolivia ante las Naciones Unidas saluda atentamente a la Misión permanente de México ante las Naciones Unidas, en su calidad de Presidente del Comité Plenario de la Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe (CEPAL), y tiene el honor de referirse a la Nota de fecha 30 de enero de 2017, de la Secretaría de la CEPAL, sobre el trigésimo segundo período de sesiones del Comité Plenario llevado a cabo el 30 de enero de 2017.

La Misión Permanente del Estado Plurinacional de Bolivia ante las Naciones Unidas tiene a bien comunicar su no objeción con la adopción del proyecto de resolución “716(PLEN.32) ADMISION DE LA REPUBLICA DE TURQUIA COMO MIEMBRO DE LA COMISION ECONOMICA PARA AMERICA LATINA Y EL CARIBE”, mediante la cual se admite a la Republica de Turquía como miembro de la CEPAL.

Por otra parte, con respecto a la aprobación del proyecto de resolución “715 (PLEN.32) ADMISION DE LA GUAYANA FRANCESA COMO MIEMBRO ASOCIADO DE LA COMISION ECONOMICA PARA AMERICA LATINA Y EL CARIBE”, la Misión Permanente del Estado Plurinacional de Bolivia solicita postergar la adopción del mencionado proyecto de resolución hasta el próximo período ordinario de sesiones del Comité Plenario de la CEPAL en el año 2018.

La Misión Permanente del Estado Plurinacional de Bolivia ante las Naciones Unidas hace propicia la oportunidad para reiterar a la Misión Permanente de México ante las Naciones Unidas las seguridades de su más atenta y distinguida consideración.

New York, 2 de Febrero de 2017



Misión Permanente de México ante las Naciones Unidas
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NOTE VERBALE OF ECUADOR

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**Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations
New York**

No. 4 – 3 – 14 / 2017

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations, in its capacity as Chair of the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), and has the honour to refer to the note from the ECLAC secretariat, dated 30 January 2017, on the thirty-second session of the Committee of the Whole held in New York on 30 January 2017.

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations has no objection to the admission of the Republic of Turkey as a full member of ECLAC. However, it requests that the adoption of draft resolution 715(PLEN.32), “Admission of French Guiana as an associate member of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean”, be postponed to the next regular session of the Committee of the Whole of ECLAC in 2018.

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to reiterate to the Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

[Signed]

2 February 2017

**The Honorable Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations
New York**



MISIÓN PERMANENTE DEL ECUADOR
ANTE LAS NACIONES UNIDAS – NUEVA YORK

No. 4 – 3 – 14 / 2017

LA MISIÓN PERMANENTE DEL ECUADOR ANTE LAS NACIONES UNIDAS saluda atentamente a la Misión Permanente de México ante las Naciones Unidas, en su calidad de Presidente del Comité Plenario de la Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe (CEPAL), y tiene el honor de referirse a la Nota S/N, con fecha 30 de enero de 2017, de la Secretaría de la CEPAL, sobre el trigésimo segundo período de sesiones del Comité Plenario que tuvo lugar en esta ciudad el 30 de enero de 2017.

LA MISIÓN PERMANENTE DEL ECUADOR ANTE LAS NACIONES UNIDAS expresa que no tiene ninguna objeción con la admisión de la República de Turquía como miembro pleno de la CEPAL. Sin embargo solicita que se postergue la adopción de la aprobación del proyecto de resolución "715 (PLEN.32) ADMISIÓN DE LA GUAYANA FRANCESA COMO MIEMBRO ASOCIADO DE LA COMISIÓN ECONÓMICA PARA AMÉRICA LATINA Y EL CARIBE" hasta el próximo período ordinario de sesiones del Comité Plenario de la CEPAL en el año 2018.

LA MISIÓN PERMANENTE DEL ECUADOR ANTE LAS NACIONES UNIDAS hace propicia la oportunidad para reiterar a la Misión Permanente de México ante las Naciones Unidas las seguridades de su más atenta y distinguida consideración.



2 de febrero de 2017

MISION DE MEXICO ANTE LA O.N.U.

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A la Honorable
Misión Permanente de México ante las Naciones Unidas
Nueva York.-

NOTE VERBALE OF THE BOLIVARIAN REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA

[Translated from Spanish]

Permanent Mission of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to the United Nations

No. 000037

The Permanent Mission of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to the United Nations presents its compliments to the honourable Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations, in its capacity as Chair of the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), and has the honour to refer to the note from the ECLAC secretariat, dated 30 January 2017, on the thirty-second session of the Committee of the Whole held in New York on 30 January 2017.

The Permanent Mission of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to the United Nations has no objection to the admission of the Republic of Turkey as a member ECLAC. However, it requests that the adoption of resolution 715(PLEN.32), “Admission of French Guiana as an associate member of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean”, be postponed to the next session of the Committee of the Whole of ECLAC in 2018.

The Permanent Mission of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to the United Nations takes this opportunity to reiterate to the honourable Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations, in its capacity as Chair of the Committee of the Whole of ECLAC, the assurances of its highest consideration.

[Signed]

New York, 2 February 2017

**The Honourable Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations
Chair of the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission
for Latin American and the Caribbean (ECLAC)
New York**



Misión Permanente de la
República Bolivariana de Venezuela
ante las Naciones Unidas

MISION DE MEXICO ANTE LA O.N.U.

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Nº 000037

La Misión Permanente de la República Bolivariana de Venezuela ante las Naciones Unidas saluda atentamente a la honorable Misión Permanente de México ante las Naciones Unidas, en su calidad de Presidente del Comité Plenario de la Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe (CEPAL), y tiene el honor de referirse a la Nota S/N, con fecha 30 de enero de 2017, de la Secretaría de la CEPAL, sobre el trigésimo segundo período de sesiones del Comité Plenario que tuvo lugar en esta ciudad el 30 de enero de 2017.

La Misión Permanente de la República Bolivariana de Venezuela ante las Naciones Unidas expresa que no tiene ninguna objeción con la admisión de la República de Turquía como miembro pleno de la CEPAL. Sin embargo solicita que se postergue la adopción de la aprobación del proyecto de resolución "715 (PLEN.32) Admisión de la Guayana Francesa como Miembro Asociado de la Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe" hasta el próximo período ordinario de sesiones del Comité Plenario de la CEPAL en el año 2018.

La Misión Permanente de la República Bolivariana de Venezuela ante las Naciones Unidas hace propicia la ocasión para renovar a la honorable Misión Permanente de México ante las Naciones Unidas, en su calidad de Presidente del Comité Plenario de la Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe (CEPAL), las seguridades de su más alta y distinguida consideración.



Nueva York, 02 de febrero de 2017

A la Honorable
Misión Permanente de México ante las Naciones Unidas
Presidente del Comité Plenario de la Comisión Económica
para América Latina y el Caribe (CEPAL)
Nueva York.-

Annex 3

**NOTE VERBALE OF THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA
AND THE CARIBBEAN (ECLAC)**

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions of the States members of the Commission and hereby reports, upon instructions of the Chair of the Committee of the Whole, that, following the silent procedure agreed upon at the thirty-second session of the Committee of the Whole of ECLAC, which was held on 30 January 2017, the Permanent Mission of the United Mexican States to the United Nations received notes verbales, before the agreed deadline, from the Permanent Missions of Ecuador (No. 4-3-14/2017), the Plurinational State of Bolivia (MBNU/ONU/05/2017), and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (N 000037), attached hereto.

Accordingly and as was agreed at the session, ECLAC hereby reports that resolution 716(PLEN.32), entitled “Admission of the Republic of Turkey as a member of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean”, has been adopted by the Committee of the Whole. Consideration of the draft resolution 715(PLEN.32), entitled “Admission of French Guiana as an associate member of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean”, has been postponed to the next session of the Committee of the Whole, which will take place in 2018.

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean avails itself of this opportunity to reiterate to the Permanent Missions of the States members the assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, 2 February 2017



La Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe (CEPAL) saluda muy atentamente a las Misiones Permanentes de los Estados Miembros de la Comisión, y tiene a bien informar por instrucciones de la Presidencia del Comité Plenario que habiendo concluido el procedimiento de silencio acordado en el Trigésimo segundo período de sesiones del Comité Plenario, que tuvo lugar el 30 de enero de 2017, se han recibido en la Misión Permanente de los Estados Unidos de México ante las Naciones Unidas y dentro del plazo acordado las notas de las delegaciones del Ecuador (No. 4-3-14/2017), del Estado Plurinacional de Bolivia (MBNU/ONU/05/2017), y de la República Bolivariana de Venezuela (N 000037), mismas que se adjuntan.

En tal virtud y conforme lo acordado en el referido período de sesiones, la CEPAL, por instrucciones de la Presidencia del Comité Plenario tiene a bien informar que la resolución 716(PLEN.32) “Admisión de la República de Turquía como miembro de la Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe” ha quedado aprobada por el Comité Plenario. Asimismo, tiene a bien informar que la adopción del proyecto de resolución 715(PLEN.32) “Admisión de la Guayana Francesa como miembro asociado de la Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe”, ha sido postergada para la próxima reunión del Comité Plenario que tendrá lugar en 2018.

La Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe aprovecha la oportunidad para reiterar a las Misiones Permanentes de los Estados Miembros las seguridades de su consideración más alta y distinguida.



Nueva York, 02 de febrero de 2017

A las
Honorables Misiones Permanentes
de los Estados Miembros de la CEPAL
acreditados ante las Naciones Unidas
Nueva York

Annex 4

RESOLUTION 716(PLEN.32) ADMISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY AS A MEMBER STATE OF THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

The Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Bearing in mind that the Commission was set up by virtue of Economic and Social Council resolution 106(VI) of 25 February 1948, which states that membership of the Commission shall be open to Members of the United Nations in North, Central and South America and in the Caribbean area, and to France, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom,

Bearing in mind also that the Commission was set up on the basis of the participation of all the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean, plus those which have had special relations of a historical, cultural, geographical or economic nature with the region,

Recalling that, in this spirit, the Commission subsequently admitted Spain in 1979, Portugal in 1984, Italy in 1990, Germany in 2005, Japan in 2006, the Republic of Korea in 2007 and Norway in 2015,

Considering that the Government of Turkey has communicated to the Commission, through the Executive Secretary, its desire that this country be admitted to membership of the Commission,¹

1. *Welcomes* the request of the Government of Turkey for admission as a member of the Commission;

2. *Recommends* to the Economic and Social Council that it approve the admission of the Republic of Turkey as a member of the Commission and authorize to this effect the amendment of paragraph 3(a) of the terms of reference of the Commission to include the name of Turkey after that of Spain.

¹ LC/L.4259(PLEN.32/4).

Annex 5

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

**A. Estados miembros de la Comisión
States member of the Commission**

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