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176 (AC.45). UNESCO PROPOSAL FOR AN INTER-AMERICAN CONFERENCE ON EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

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

Having noted that UNESCO took the initiative of convening a conference on education of economic and social development, acting on the resolutions and recommendations of the Inter-American Seminar on Over-all Planning for Education (Washington, June 1958), of the preparatory meeting of the said conference (Rio de Janeiro, October 1959) and, finally, of the meeting held at Paris in December 1959 with the participation of representatives of the ILO, FAO, UNESCO, WHO and ECLA,

Recalling that the Commission, in resolution 150 (VIII), lent its full support to the efforts of UNESCO in the field of education in Latin America, and bearing in mind its motives therefor,

Recalling in particular that the Commission stressed the importance to be attached to education as a necessary prerequisite to the formation of an adequate supply of qualified manpower, and that, in resolutions 83 (VI) and 149 (VIII), it expressed its concern regarding the problem of manpower as an important factor in economic development,

Mindful of the need to give, as a matter of great importance, increased attention to the various aspects of the relationships between education and economic and social development,

Decides:

- 1. To express its satisfaction at the initiative of UNESCO and endorses the view that the holding of an inter-American Conference on Education and Economic and Social Development in Latin America would be most desirable;
 - 2. To co-sponsor with UNESCO such an undertaking;
- 3. To request the secretariat to co-operate fully in the preparations for this conference and to ensure the participation therein of the States members of the Commission.

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