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454(XX) ADMISSION OF THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS AS
AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER OF ECLA

The Economic Commission for Latin America,

Considering the desirability that the economic and cultural relations between all peoples in the Caribbean area and the Latin American continent should be strengthened,

Recalling the Terms of Reference of the Commission, as adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its sixth session, and in particular article 3 (a) thereof regarding the admission of associate members,

Recalling also General Assembly resolutions 566(VI), 647(VII), 744(VIII) and 1539(XV) which recommended the direct participation of non-self-governing territories in the work of the United Nations and invited the Administering Powers to progressively increase their participation in the work of the technical organs of the United Nations, and to propose them for participation in the work of the regional commissions,

Bearing in mind General Assembly resolution 38/48 which noted with satisfaction the recommendation of the Virgin Islands Status Commission that the territory should become an associate member of ECLA and called upon the Administering Power to facilitate the application of the territory for such membership in ECLA and its subsidiary bodies,

Noting that, by letter of 3 October 1983, the Government of the United States of America informed the Executive Secretary of the Commission of the application of the United States Virgin Islands for associate membership in the Economic Commission for Latin America,

1. Welcomes the aforementioned application of the Government of the United States of America;

2. Decides to admit the United States Virgin Islands as an associate member of ECLA and welcomes its participation in the work of the Commission;

3. Calls upon the Administering Power, taking into account the freely expressed wishes of the people of the United States Virgin Islands, to take all necessary steps to expedite the process of decolonization in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter of the United Nations and the Declaration, as well as all other relevant resolutions and decisions of the General Assembly.

223rd meeting
6 April 1984