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International Civil Aviation Organization, has been preparing a report on transportation in Central America which will be discussed at a seminar to be held in the near future in San José, Costa Rica; and

Resolves

1. To express its satisfaction with the way in which the Committee for Economic Co-operation of the Ministers of Economy of the Central American Isthmus is implementing resolution 9 (IV) of the Commission;

2. To recommend to the secretariat that it continue to carry out the studies and work necessary for the Central American economic integration programme; and

3. To recommend to the Technical Assistance Administration and the specialized agencies of the United Nations that, in co-ordination with the Committee for Economic Co-operation, they continue to give due attention to projects relating to the Central American economic integration programme.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

*Resolution 51 (V) adopted on 25 April 1953
(E/CN.12/336)*

The Economic Commission for Latin America, Considering

(a) That the United Nations Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance is a form of international co-operation of growing usefulness for the countries of Latin America,

(b) That its usefulness depends mainly on the unbroken continuation of technical assistance, which, if it is to become increasingly effective, should be planned on a basis longer than a one-year period, and

(c) That the financial resources now at the disposal of the organizations participating in the programme are inadequate to meet the cost of the technical assistance projects drawn up by them at the request of the several governments concerned,

1. *Takes note with satisfaction of*

(a) The progress achieved under the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance;

(b) The efforts being made by governments and by the Technical Assistance Board to co-ordinate their activities in this field;

(c) The studies and reports relating to technical assistance which the Commission, the United Nations Technical Assistance Administration and the Technical Assistance Board have submitted;

(d) The fruitful collaboration in the field of technical assistance now existing between the Commission, the Technical Assistance Administration and the other bodies participating in the Expanded Programme;

(e) The positive results achieved by the groups of experts set up jointly by the Commission and the Technical Assistance Administration;

(f) The satisfactory beginning of the programme of training in problems of economic development which was undertaken by the Commission in co-operation with the United Nations Technical Assistance Admin-

istration and which is being carried on at the Commission's headquarters;

(g) The growing importance attached by governments and by participating organizations to technical assistance designed to give effect to the recommendations made in earlier studies and reports; and

(h) The resolution of the Technical Assistance Committee of the United Nations Economic and Social Council requesting the Technical Assistance Board and participating organizations to liberalize the rules governing the grant of equipment as an integral part of technical assistance;

2. *Expresses* its concern at the financial limitations from which the programme suffers and which have retarded the rate of progress previously attained;

3. *Recommends* that the Economic and Social Council urge governments to endeavour to make such contributions to the Special Account as will enable the programme to continue on a sound basis;

4. *Urges* the Economic and Social Council to recommend to the General Assembly that it make satisfactory arrangements based on the study, concerning the feasibility of working out estimates for the programme on a basis longer than a one-year period, now being undertaken in conformity with General Assembly resolution 621 (VII);

5. *Recommends* that governments which have not yet done so, take appropriate administrative steps for working out national arrangements designed to ensure adequate co-ordination between the existing activities of the Expanded Programme, of the Organization of American States and of other programmes;

6. *Requests* the Executive Secretary of the Commission to convey to the Executive Chairman of the Technical Assistance Board its wish that the Board continue its endeavours to achieve more effective co-ordination of the activities of the organizations participating in the Expanded Programme and between these activities and those of the Organization of American States and of other existing programmes;

7. *Expresses* the wish that fuller information concerning the results of the various technical assistance activities be obtained; and

8. *Requests* the Executive Secretary of the Commission to transmit this resolution together with the records of the debate on technical assistance held in Committee II at the Commission's fifth session to the Executive Chairman of the Technical Assistance Board.

TAXATION IN CAPITAL-EXPORTING AND CAPITAL-IMPORTING COUNTRIES OF FOREIGN PRIVATE INVESTMENTS IN LATIN AMERICA

*Resolution 52 (V) adopted on 25 April 1953
(E/CN.12/337)*

The Economic Commission for Latin America

Takes note with satisfaction of the study, "Taxation in Capital-Exporting and Capital-Importing Countries of Foreign Private Investment in Latin America" (ST/ECA/18 and E/CN.12/298); and

Considering

(a) That the above study reaches conclusions of a

preliminary nature and that it emphasizes the desirability of continuing research on this subject both in capital-importing and capital-exporting countries,

(b) That it is essential to continue creating favourable conditions both in the capital-exporting and capital-importing countries for investments abroad of private capital,

(c) That for this purpose it is necessary to proceed with the study, among other matters, of the various tax systems, and

(d) That it is desirable to study the effects which taxes levied by the capital-exporting countries on income from foreign investment have on the capital-importing countries,

Resolves

To request the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with the competent international bodies, to continue the studies of taxation in capital-exporting and capital-importing countries of foreign private investment in Latin America; and

To request the Executive Secretary to place the studies mentioned in the preceding paragraph before member countries as soon as they are completed.

TECHNOLOGICAL RESEARCH AND TRAINING OF EXPERTS IN LATIN AMERICA

*Resolution 53 (V) adopted on 25 April 1953
(E/CN.12/338)*

The Economic Commission for Latin America,

Bearing in mind the study submitted by the secretariat pursuant to resolution 13 (IV) of 16 June 1951 (E/CN.12/300),

Recognizing that the pilot study on the present condition of and on the most urgent requirements for technological research and for the training of experts in Chile has made it possible to test methods and to give direction to this type of study,

Considering that this pilot study shows the desirability of enlisting the co-operation of other international bodies in order to extend such research to the other Latin American countries,

Considering that the said resolution provides for the collection of the necessary information concerning the resources of member countries in the field of technological research, as a preliminary requirement for the convening of a meeting of experts to prepare a report and make recommendations for the setting up or improving of technological research centres, and

Considering that a study on technological research should be supplemented by a study of the related problem of the training of qualified research workers and of technicians capable of applying the results of their research, so that the three different aspects of the same problem should not be arbitrarily segregated,

Notes with satisfaction the study entitled "Technological Research and Technical Training in Latin America" (E/CN.12/300); and

Recommends that the secretariat

1. When carrying out the study on technological research in the other Latin-American countries, should

at the same time determine the stage reached in the training of experts and technological research workers, particularly with regard to the prevailing relations between technological research institutes and technical training schools;

2. In carrying out these studies, consider, *inter alia*, the experience already gleaned in certain Latin-American countries of co-operation among employers, in the training of qualified manpower; and

3. Enlist, in carrying out this work, the co-operation of international agencies which, like the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the International Labour Organisation, can most effectively collaborate in these fields.

DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME IN RELATION TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

*Resolution 54 (V) adopted on 25 April 1953
(E/CN.12/339)*

*The Economic Commission for Latin America,
Considering that*

(a) The resolution concerning programmes of economic development, approved at the fourth session of the Commission, in paragraph 1 (d) sets forth the need "to determine the probable effects of the programme on national income and its distribution among the various branches of production, of goods and services, with a view to calculating its effects on real per capita income",

(b) In the under-developed countries there are large masses of the population living under precarious economic conditions, and

(c) Any economic development programme should have no other object than to raise the standard of living of these countries as rapidly as possible,

Recommends that

1. The Latin-American Governments, in formulating and implementing their economic development programmes, take into consideration the measures which are required to achieve the above objective so that any increase in real income will benefit the entire population equitably; and

2. The secretariat, in carrying out its studies, bear the above objective in mind.

ECONOMIC INTEGRATION

*Resolution 55 (V) adopted on 25 April 1953
(E/CN.12/340)*

*The Economic Commission for Latin America,
Considering*

(a) The terms of paragraph IV of its resolution of 20 June 1950 (E/CN.12/194) which stated that the Latin-American countries should achieve a better integration of their economies,

(b) The terms of its resolution of 16 June 1951 (E/CN.12/275), which set forth the wishes of the Central American countries for the integration of their national economies,

(c) Document E/CN.12/296, submitted by the sec-