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2. RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

141. The Committee of the Whole adopted the following resolutions :

77 (AC.26) Inter-regional trade co-operation.

78 (AC.26) Co-ordination with the Inter-American Economic and Social Council.

142. The texts of these resolutions are as follows :

INTER-REGIONAL TRADE CO-OPERATION

*Resolution 77 (AC.26) adopted on 10 May 1955
(E/CN.12/AC.26/9)*

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

Having examined resolution 535 B (XVIII) of the Economic and Social Council and the Report of the Secretary-General on the world economic situation and co-operation aimed at fostering inter-regional trade,

Having taken note of the resolutions on inter-regional trade co-operation approved by the Economic Commission for Europe⁷ and the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East,⁸

Having regard to resolution 45 (V) of the Economic Commission for Latin America, recommending that the Secretariat continue the work undertaken on trade matters in collaboration with the Secretariats of the various competent agencies of the United Nations,

Considering also that this resolution "authorizes the Executive Secretary to consult, if he deems it advisable, with expert working groups to advise him on the different aspects of these studies",

1. *Reaffirms* the desire of its members to strengthen inter-regional trade relations, either of multilateral or bilateral character, and to co-operate with the Economic Commissions referred to, in order to attain this objective ;

2. *Supports* in principle the proposal for consultation on specific trade problems between the countries concerned ;

3. *Manifests* its agreement with the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East :

(a) In believing that these consultations should not be limited to the members of the three regional commissions, for the reason indicated in operative paragraph 3 of resolution 14 (XI) ;⁸ and

(b) In considering that it would be expedient to study the possibility of adopting other methods and procedures to achieve the same aims ;

4. *Recommends* that the Economic and Social Council should examine, in addition to the method of consultation by experts, other methods and procedures which may contribute towards raising the level of trade among the Member States of the United Nations or of its specialized agencies, according to the principles laid down in the Charter of the United Nations.

CO-ORDINATION WITH THE INTER-AMERICAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

*Resolution 78 (AC.26) adopted on 10 May 1955
(E/CN.12/AC.26/10)*

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

1. *Takes note* of the report on Co-ordination between ECLA and IA-ECOSOC ;

2. *Resolves* to request the Executive Secretary in future reports on co-ordination between ECLA and IA-ECOSOC to include :

(a) An account of the co-ordination between the activities of the secretariats of the two organizations, with the aim of facilitating the execution of their respective work programmes ;

(b) A review of the meetings of the Co-ordination Committee set up at the secretariat level in accordance with resolution 31 (IV) ;

(c) An account of any further measures which the Executive Secretary of ECLA and the Secretary-General of the Organization of American States consider desirable as a result of any future consultations or study in accordance with resolution 31 (IV), in order to improve co-ordination at the governmental level.

3. DRAFT RESOLUTION FOR ACTION BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resolution adopted on 10 May 1955

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

Decides to submit the following resolution for action by the Economic and Social Council :

"The Economic and Social Council

"1. Takes note of the seventh annual report of the Economic Commission for Latin America ;

"2. Considers that the work programme of the Commission as established at the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America at its meeting held in Santiago from 9 to 10 May 1955 is of primary importance for the economic development of Latin America ;

"3. Endorses the order of priorities allocated by the Committee of the Whole to the individual work projects."

⁷ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Twentieth Session, Supplement No. 3, part IV.*

⁸ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 5, para. 248.