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503(XXIII) SUPPORT FOR HAITI

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 42/177 of 11 December 1987 in which the General Assembly decided to convene the Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries in Paris in September 1990,

Bearing in mind General Assembly resolution 44/220 of 22 December 1989, in which the General Assembly emphasized the crucial importance of adequate preparation for the Conference and called upon all Governments and intergovernmental and multilateral institutions to take appropriate steps to ensure such preparation,

Taking into account General Assembly resolution 2768 (XXVI) of 18 November 1971, in which the General Assembly approved the list of hard core least developed countries as well as the classification of Haiti as the only country in Latin America and the Caribbean in this list,

Considering that Haiti, as the only hard core least developed country in Latin America and the Caribbean, is not part of any regional group in the preparatory activities for the Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries,

Taking into account the decision of the Tenth Meeting of the CARICOM Conference of Heads of Government that all possible technical support be given to the Government and people of Haiti in their efforts at political and economic advancement and social equity, and in this context its endorsement of a CARICOM ministerial mission to Haiti to examine modalities for such support,

- 1. <u>Decides to support</u> any actions which the Government of Haiti may take in the context of the Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries;
- 2. Appeals to all official bilateral sources as well as to intergovernmental and multilateral institutions to take advantage of the preparatory activities and the convening of the Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries to intensify their co-operation activities with Haiti, the only hard core least developed country in Latin America and the Caribbean;
- 3. <u>Urges</u> the Governments of the Latin American and Caribbean States members of the Commission to give tangible form to their support by providing technical co-operation to Haiti, bearing in mind their development priorities and taking into account the preparatory activities and the convening of the Second United

Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, as well as the need for co-ordination with other sources of co-operation;

- 4. Requests all specialized programmes and agencies of the United Nations to intensify their activities in Haiti within their respective areas of competence and in close collaboration with the Government of Haiti, and to co-ordinate such activities and lend each other mutual support so that maximum benefit may be derived from their respective efforts;
- 5. Requests the Secretariat of the Commission, the Latin American and Caribbean Institute for Economic and Social Planning and the Latin American Demographic Centre to intensify their activities in Haiti, in accordance with the priorities established by the Government of the country and with their available resources;
- 6. <u>Instructs</u> the Secretariat of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, in collaboration with other relevant agencies, to assist in the dissemination of the contents of the present resolution and to intensify its efforts to provide information aimed at promoting greater public awareness of the actions taken by Haiti in the field of international co-operation.

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