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The Economic Commission for Latin America

Bearing in mind the relevant United Nations General Assembly resolutions on the International Development Strategy (2626 (XXV)), the Declaration and Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order (resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI)), the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States (resolution 3281 (XXIX)) and the special session of the General Assembly devoted to development and international economic co-operation (resolution 3343 (XXIX)),

Also bearing in mind the relevant resolutions of the Economic and Social Council, especially those relating to international co-operation (resolution 1896 (LVII)) and the implementation of the Declaration and Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order; mid-term review and appraisal of the International Development Strategy, and special session of the General Assembly devoted to development and international economic co-operation (resolution 1911 (LVII)),

Likewise taking into account the Quito Appraisal, the reports of the Eighth and Tenth Extraordinary Sessions of the Committee of the Whole of the Commission,^{1/} the conclusions and recommendations of the regional meetings on population held in Costa Rica (15-19 April 1974) and Mexico (3-7 March 1975),^{2/} the Latin American Conference on Industrialization (Mexico City, 25-29 November 1974),^{3/} and the Meeting on Science, Technology and Development in Latin America, (Mexico City, 2-6 December 1974),^{4/} those of the other meetings and conferences held within the ECLA system since the Commission's

^{1/} E/CN.12/AC.66/5 and E/CEPAL/993.

^{2/} ST/ECLA/Conf.48/L.7/Rev.2 and ST/CEPAL/Conf.54/L.9/Rev.1.

^{3/} ST/CEPAL/Conf.51/L.5/Rev.1.

^{4/} ST/CEPAL/Conf.55/L.5/Rev.1.

fifteenth session,^{5/} including the report of the Committee of High-Level Government Experts to appraise the International Development Strategy (CEGAN),^{6/} held in Bogotá, Colombia, from 11-15 March 1975, and also the discussions and conclusions of the present session of the Commission,

Recognizing that the specialized conferences, meetings and other activities carried out within the ECLA system since its fifteenth session represent valuable contributions to the fulfilment of the aims and objectives of the above resolutions and recommendations,

Acknowledging, however, the need to intensify the efforts made to achieve the objectives of those resolutions and recommendations, including the urgent further improvement of the appropriate institutional machinery and procedures,

Decides meanwhile to instruct the Committee of High-Level Government Experts set up under resolution 310 (XIV) of the Commission, as well as other appropriate bodies, to take up the following matters at specialized meetings in accordance with the mandates of the Commission:

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In the field of population:

(a) Provide general orientation with regard to the Latin American Regional Population Programme contained in document E/CEPAL/1002, which the Commission hereby approves;

(b) Serve as a consultative mechanism for the Executive Secretary in implementing that Programme and evaluating its results;

(c) Review and approve the reports of the Latin American Demographic Centre (CELADE) on its activities and its programmes of work;

^{5/} E/CEPAL/983 and E/CEPAL/995.

^{6/} E/CEPAL/AC.69/4/Rev.1.

(d) Establish the links which will make it possible to co-ordinate the Latin American Regional Population Programme with related programmes at the world level.

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In the field of industrialization:

Strengthen industrial co-operation among the countries of the region, promote the instrumentation and broaden the targets and objectives of the Plan of Action 7/ adopted by the Latin American Conference on Industrialization held in Mexico City from 25-29 November 1974:

(a) Study and propose the measures needed for putting the Lima Declaration and Plan of Action 8/ into effect as far as Latin America is concerned, and to this end, when it sees fit, set up sub-committees and sponsor expert meetings to analyse specific questions relating to Latin American industrialization and the industrial co-operation needed to back up that process;

(b) Function as a Latin American regional component of the system of permanent consultation established by the Lima Conference at the global, sectoral and regional levels;

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In the field of science and technology:

(a) Give general guidelines for the analysis and application of science and technology to the development of Latin America, and in particular carry out the functions indicated in resolution No.1 adopted at the Meeting on Science, Technology and Development in Latin America held in Mexico City from 2-6 December 1974;

7/ See Part III of the Report of the Conference (ST/CEPAL/Conf.51/L.5/Rev.1).

8/ See The Lima Declaration and Plan of Action on Industrial Development and Co-operation (ID/B/155/Add.1).

(b) Co-ordinate the preparatory work at the regional level for the World Conference on Science and Technology for Development which the United Nations Economic and Social Council is to convene towards the end of this decade;

(c) Serve as an advisory body to the Executive Secretary of ECLA in matters relating to the analysis and application of science and technology to the economic and social development of Latin America.
The Commission also decides:

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1. To approve the steps being taken by the Executive Secretary in accordance with the express mandate contained in resolution 345 (AC.68) to obtain funds from UNFPA for activities planned in the ECLA Regional Population Programme during 1976 and 1977.
2. To recommend that the Executive Secretary prepare a detailed plan of work of the activities to be carried out by ECLA within the framework of the Regional Population Programme in the biennium 1978-1979.
3. To provide that, after studying the potential sources of funds for CELADE's activities, as envisaged in paragraph 9 of resolution 345 (AC.68), the Executive Secretary shall report in due course to the Governments of the region on the origin of such potential contributions and the way in which they would be used in the Regional Population Programmes.
4. To reiterate the recommendations of the Tenth Session of the Committee of the Whole that member Governments should request the Governing Council of UNDP to arrange for UNFPA to continue rendering financial support for CELADE's activities from 1976 onwards.
5. To express its thanks to the United Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA) for the financial support it has provided for CELADE's activities, and to request the Executive Director of UNFPA to consider including financing for CELADE's activities during the

/bienniums 1976-1977

bienniums 1976-1977 and 1978-1979 in the plans it is drawing up for consideration by the Governing Council of UNDP in accordance with the recently established budgetary machinery.

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1. To request the Executive Secretary of ECLA and the Executive Director of UNIDO to work in close co-operation to provide technical aid to the Committee in the programmes of work which it is to determine for itself;
2. To request the Executive Secretary of ECLA and the Executive Director of UNIDO to make the necessary institutional arrangements and take the necessary measures to adapt the programmes of work of the two organizations to the requirements of the servicing of the Committee;
3. To request the secretariat, as recommended to UNIDO by the Industrial Development Board in its resolution 45 (IX), to make such changes in the medium-term plan and programme budget as may be needed in order to ensure that sufficient resources are made available for industrial co-operation in the region and, in particular, for the servicing of the Committee;
4. To call upon all the Governments of the region to participate actively in the work of the Committee and contribute in every possible way to its financing, including the provision of adequate resources;
5. To call upon all relevant international, regional and sub-regional organizations, within their respective spheres of competence in the field of industrial development, to co-operate with the Committee;
6. To request the Executive Secretary of ECLA to submit to the seventeenth session a report prepared in consultation with the Executive Director of UNIDO on the implementation of this resolution.

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Decides finally that under the terms of this part C of the present resolution, and bearing in mind the resolutions of the Meeting on Science, Technology and Development in Latin America, the Committee shall determine its programme of specific activities with the assistance of the secretariat and other ECLA bodies.

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13 May 1975