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Notes with satisfaction that the fourth and fifth sessions of the Commission and the Extraordinary Meetings of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council, held at Panama (1951) and Caracas (1953), have demonstrated the progress made in connexion with co-ordination at that level between the Commission and the Inter-American Economic and Social Council;

Confirms the decisions adopted at its fourth session and in particular the recommendation to governments that they make the appropriate administrative arrangements, in accordance with their particular circumstances, with a view to achieving better knowledge of the studies and resolutions of the international agencies and also the highest possible degree of co-ordination of policy in the meetings of the said international bodies and agencies;

Considers that international meetings of an economic nature held in this hemisphere, particularly those of the Economic Commission for Latin America and those of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council, should be so scheduled as to avoid overlapping and to ensure adequate intervals between major meetings;

Notes with approval the position adopted by the Executive Secretary of the Commission in the conversations conducted with the Secretary-General of the Organization of American States, as set forth in document E/CN.12/311/Add.1/Rev.1; and

Recommends to the Executive Secretary, that in his conversations with the Secretary-General of the Organization of American States, he take into account the desirability of scheduling, as a general rule, the Commission's sessions and the Extraordinary Meetings of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council, so as to ensure a calendar of meetings making provision for adequate intervals between major meetings of an economic nature, without prejudice to the possibility of departing from such a schedule if the urgency and importance of the problems to be discussed should make this advisable.

AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES OF PROCEDURE

Resolution 71 (V) adopted on 23 April 1953
(E/CN.12/327)

The Economic Commission for Latin America,

Bearing in mind the recommendation made by the Economic and Social Council concerning the desirability of revising the rules of procedure in so far as they refer to non-governmental organizations,

Resolves to revise the rules of procedure in conformity with the suggestions contained in appendix II of document E/CN.12/312.

DATE AND PLACE OF SIXTH SESSION

Resolution 72 (V) adopted on 25 April 1953
(E/CN.12/355)

The Economic Commission for Latin America,

Bearing in mind rules 1 and 2 of its Rules of Procedure,

Expressing its thanks to the Government of the Republic of Colombia for its generous invitation to hold the sixth session of the Commission in Bogota,

Resolves that the sixth session of the Commission be held in Bogota, at such a date as the Executive Secretary, after consultation with the Chairman of the Commission, shall determine, in the light of decisions by the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations regarding its calendar of meetings.

DRAFT RESOLUTION FOR ACTION BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resolution adopted on 25 April 1953
(E/CN.12/356)

210. The Commission decided to submit the following resolution for action by the Economic and Social Council:

"The Economic and Social Council

"Takes note of the fifth annual report of the Economic Commission for Latin America;

"Considers that the work programme of the Commission as established at its fifth session is of primary importance for the economic development of Latin America;

"Endorses the priorities allocated by the Commission to the individual work projects;

"Recommends that the necessary funds should be made available to implement fully the 1953/54 work programme of the Commission, included in its annual report; and

"Takes note of the Commission's decision to hold its sixth session in Bogota, Colombia, at such date as the Executive Secretary, after consultation with the Chairman, shall determine in the light of decisions by the Council regarding its calendar of meetings."

Part V—PROGRAMME OF WORK AND PRIORITIES

211. At the beginning of the fifth session of the Commission the Executive Secretary issued a comprehensive account (E/CN.12/310) on the policy of the Economic and Social Council regarding the review of work programmes and priorities, which in accordance with resolution 451 (XIV) should be made:

(a) In the light of the criteria for priorities established under Council resolution 324 (XI);

(b) In accordance with certain procedures outlined

under Council resolution 402 B (XIII), in so far as they are applicable; and

(c) In the light of the United Nations priority programmes listed under Council resolution 451 (XIV).

212. The Executive Secretary in presenting document E/CN.12/310 pointed out that "the Commission in considering any recommendations which may be made by its members in the form of draft resolutions, which involve further studies and activities, will undoubtedly