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512(XXIII) WORK PRIORITIES FOR THE LATIN AMERICAN  
DEMOGRAPHIC CENTRE (CELADE)

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Mindful of the conclusions and recommendations of intergovernmental meetings on population in the region, in particular those aimed at putting into practice the principles and proposals of the World Population Plan of Action,

Also mindful that those recommendations call attention to the need to tackle population problems as an integral part of development strategies, the process of planning and policies in general,

Considering the objective of the Latin American Regional Population Programme \*/ to work with the countries of the region in acquiring knowledge concerning their demographic situation, the formulation and assessment of development plans and programmes and the exchange of information in the field of population --tasks entrusted to the Latin American Demographic Centre,

Also considering that the ECLAC studies reflected in the document entitled Changing production patterns with social equity \*\*/ submitted to the twenty-third session of ECLAC draw attention to the importance of the objective of equity and of the role of population in development,

Aware of the importance for the member countries of the Commission to be able to continue to rely on the services of an appropriate regional body endowed with sufficient resources to meet needs with regard to technical co-operation; training of executive and technical staff; the development and adaptation of analysis techniques which meet the conditions of the region; the generation, processing and retrieval of information on population; and the inclusion of demographic variables in development plans and policies,

1. Notes with satisfaction the report on the activities of CELADE for the period 1988-1989 \*\*\*/ and the programme of work of CELADE for the period 1992-1993, \*\*\*\*/ which is concerned primarily with tasks of training and technical co-operation based on studies on population and development;

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\*/ E/CEPAL/1002.

\*\*/ LC/G.1601(SES.23/4).

\*\*\*/ LC/G.1598(SES.23/10).

\*\*\*\*/ LC/G.1600(SES.23/8).

2. Notes the work performed by CELADE in the service of national development policies and of the quest for social equity undertaken by the Governments of the region;

3. Expresses its recognition of the United Nations Population Fund for its continued support and in particular for the support given through CELADE to the participation of the Latin American region in the Global Programme of Training in Population and Development;

4. Also expresses its recognition of the Government of Canada for renewing the CELADE/Canada cooperation agreement and its recognition of the Governments of France and the Netherlands for their continued support of CELADE;

5. Requests CELADE, in the framework of its programme of work for the period 1992-1993,

a) to work with Governments in the design and execution of social policies that, by identifying adequately the subgroups they cover, allow the benefits of development to reach all sectors of the population;

b) to study, in co-operation with the Governments of the region, the effects of the probable trends in population growth of the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on the development of those countries and to support the appropriate use of the 1990 censuses;

c) to continue their efforts to incorporate, adapt and create information technologies which allow for and facilitate the treatment of the population variables in economic and social development policies;

d) to continue with and intensify multidisciplinary training activities, in particular those designed to strengthen the awareness of authorities and to train government technicians in the practical application of questions relating to population and development, to support and strengthen population studies in universities and other national centres and to train experts in the field of population;

e) to co-operate, in particular in the implementation of the Special Plan of Economic Co-operation for Central America, in co-ordination with the ECLAC Mexico Office.

243rd meeting  
11 May 1990