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1. At its fifteenth session, the Economic Commission for Latin America adopted resolution 324 (XV) on the CEPAL Publications Programme. In this resolution the Commission, inter alia, "strongly supports the implementation of the publications programme" of the secretariat "both as regards the internal printing of the two series of booklets and the external printing of its books by public and private publishers inside and outside Latin America"; "requests the competent United Nations authorities to provide the necessary facilities for implementing the publications programme and to devise procedures, within the framework of United Nations practice, which will be sufficiently flexible to enable CEPAL to issue its booklets and books at appropriate intervals and to distribute and sell them through the usual publishing channels at prices within the reach of Latin American students and readers"; and "requests the secretariat to examine urgently the publication requirements of CEPAL", and "to seek extra-budgetary funds for that purpose, if necessary".

2. In compliance with this resolution, the Executive Secretary:

- (a) Established a publications programme whose general structure is outlined in annex 1.
- (b) Set up a Publications Advisory Board to orient the programme in its broad lines.
- (c) Decided to initiate publication of the CEPAL Review, in which connexion he appointed Mr. Raúl Prebisch as Director of the Review, and Mr. Adolfo Gurrieri as Technical Secretary. The Review, besides being a suitable vehicle for disseminating the thinking and activities of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Agencies under its aegis (the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning and the Latin American Demographic Centre), is in essence a forum in which the aim is to adopt a strict intellectual approach to the examination of all subjects related to economic and social development in

Latin America, providing an opportunity for a frank exchange of views within the natural respect due to institutions and persons. Any person who has worked or is now working in CEPAL, ILPES or CELADE may contribute in a personal capacity to this debate. It is thus hoped to stimulate intellectual creativity and elevated discussion in connexion with the problems affecting Latin America, and to transmit to a wider public the concerns and aims underlying the activities of these institutions, the progress made in the review of Latin America's problems, and their possible solutions.

- (d) Decided to initiate publication of the series Cuadernos de la CEPAL and Cuadernos Estadisticos de la CEPAL. These Cuadernos are intended to disseminate information about the wide-ranging collective and individual studies stemming from the Commission's internal activities, to reflect different shades and approaches within the broad framework of institutional consensus, and to help to publicize the work done by CEPAL in fulfilment of the mandates of its Member States.
- (e) Set up a Publications Committee (i) to select the studies for publication as Cuadernos, as books, or in the CEPAL Review (this last at the suggestion of the Director of the Review); (ii) to watch over the quality of the studies included in these publications; (iii) to designate the persons who are to collaborate in the critical reading of the studies for selection purposes; (iv) to advise the Executive Secretary on priorities with respect to publications; (v) to ensure that the publications programme keeps a proper balance between economic and social, analytical and operational, questions; (vi) to give adequate space in the publications programme to the contributions of the sub-regional offices of CEPAL.

(f) Provided for: the gradual renovation of the equipment and facilities of the CEPAL/ILPES Reproduction Section, as funds permitted, so that it could cope with its new tasks; an improvement in the system of distribution of CEPAL publications through the preparation, with the collaboration of CLADES, or complete lists of users interested in the different subjects studied by the organization, with a view to more efficient distribution through the use of computers; and the establishment of contacts with publishers and distributors in Latin America and the Caribbean in order to promote and dynamize arrangements for the sale of CEPAL publications through them.

3. As a result of this action, CEPAL has been disseminating its studies through new publications and extending their distribution to new areas and sectors. Special attention has been given in compliance with the provisions of resolution 324 (XV) as regards prices within the reach of Latin American readers, in which respect CEPAL has enjoyed the understanding and support of the Headquarters Publications Board, and in particular of its Chairman, Mr. Bohdan Lewandowski.

4. At the same time, keeping in mind the repeated recommendations of the General Assembly that the United Nations Secretariat should as far as possible limit the volume of its documentation, the secretariat of CEPAL is endeavouring gradually to reduce, by summarizing, the volume of its mimeographed documents, which deteriorate rapidly and are not suitable for wide dissemination. On the other hand, it is increasing its production of smaller and better-presented printed publications, which are carefully prepared and are suitable for use in libraries and research and study centres.

5. Thus, in the period between the sixteenth and seventeenth sessions, the secretariat has prepared in its own Reproduction Section two new series of printed publications: Cuadernos de la CEPAL and Cuadernos Estadisticos de la CEPAL. The format of these booklets is agreeable, modern and easy to handle, thus facilitating and reducing the cost of

/their distribution,

their distribution, and as their sale has been authorized by Headquarters, they also bring in some income. The Cuadernos de la CEPAL series initiated at the end of 1975 already has 16 titles in Spanish and 4 in English, while in the Cuadernos Estadísticos de la CEPAL series which was initiated later, two titles have been published.

6. Up to 1975, CEPAL sent its larger periodical publications to printing firms in Mexico and the United States. In order to reduce the costs involved and keep more direct control over the printing processes, it was decided to have the Spanish and English versions of the Economic Survey and the CEPAL Review printed by publishing firms in Santiago, and this made it possible to include in the programme of external publications such an additional high-cost printed publication as the Statistical Yearbook for Latin America, the first volume of which is in the press.

7. Since the end of 1975, four books have also been published under an agreement with the Fondo de Cultura Económico.

8. In view of the experience gained by the CEPAL/ILPES Reproduction Section in the preparation of the Cuadernos, it has also now begun to print (since 1977) the CEPAL Review, which had hitherto been contracted for outside the Commission. This has been done with the aim of keeping closer control over the delivery dates and the quality of the printing. The necessary reinforcement of staff has been compensated for by the saving involved in not contracting for this work outside.

9. Although a great effort has been made (see in annex 2 the list of studies published by the secretariat of CEPAL in Santiago between the sixteenth and seventeenth sessions), much still remains to be done to improve the dissemination of studies of interest to Member States. Thus, for example, despite the efforts made, the available resources limit the possibilities of publication, particularly in English, and virtually preclude any publications in French.

Annex 1

GENERAL STRUCTURE OF THE PUBLICATIONS PROGRAMME

A. Periodical printed publications

1. External printing

- (a) Economic Survey of Latin America 1/
- (b) CEPAL Review (twice-yearly, replaces the Economic Bulletin for Latin America) 2/
- (c) Statistical Yearbook for Latin America 1/

2. Internal printing (offset)

- (a) Notas de la CEPAL (twice-monthly)
- (b) Boletin FAL de transportes (every two months)

B. Printed non-periodical publications

1. External reproduction

Books .

2. Internal offset reproduction

- (a) Cuadernos de la CEPAL
- (b) Summaries of large-scale periodical documents
- (c) Various studies of special interest to the Member States

C. Mimeographed documents

1. Periodical

- (a) Economic Survey of Latin America (preliminary version)
- (b) Appraisal of the International Development Strategy
- (c) Annual Report of the Commission to the Economic and Social Council
- (d) Programme of Work
- (e) Statistical Yearbook for Latin America
- (f) Budget - Performance report - related documents

2. Non-periodical

- (a) Documents for general distribution (research studies, reports, etc.)
- (b) Documents for limited distribution (meetings, etc.)

1/ The possibility of having this printed by the CEPAL/ILPES Reproduction Section is being explored.

2/ Starting with the third issue of the CEPAL Review (first half of 1977), part of the printing will be done by the CEPAL/ILPES Reproduction Section.

Annex 2

PUBLICATIONS BETWEEN JUNE 1975 AND APRIL 1977

Cuadernos de la CEPAL

		<u>Number of pages</u>
Nº 1	América Latina: el nuevo escenario regional y mundial	51
Nº 2	Las evaluaciones regionales de la estrategia internacional de desarrollo	71
Nº 3	Desarrollo humano, cambio social y crecimiento en América Latina	96
Nº 4	Relaciones comerciales, crisis monetaria e integración económica en América Latina	85
Nº 5	Síntesis de la segunda evaluación regional de la estrategia internacional de desarrollo	72
Nº 6	Dinero de valor constante. Conceptos, problemas y experiencias by Jorge Rose	42
Nº 7	La coyuntura internacional y el sector externo	88
Nº 8	La industrialización latinoamericana en los años setenta	118
Nº 9	Dos estudios sobre inflación. La inflación en los países centrales. América Latina y la inflación importada by Héctor Assael and Arturo Núñez del Prado	57
Nº 10	Reactivación del mercado común centroamericano	145
Nº 11	Integración y cooperación entre países en desarrollo en el ámbito agrícola, by Germánico Salgado	52
Nº 12	Temas del nuevo orden económico internacional	84
Nº 13	En torno a las ideas de la CEPAL. Industrialización y comercio exterior	54
Nº 14	En torno a las ideas de la CEPAL. Problemas de la industrialización en América Latina	48
Nº 15	Recursos hidráulicos de América Latina - Informe general	60
Nº 16	Desarrollo y cambio social en América Latina	62

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Latin America: the New Regional and World Setting	49
Regional Appraisals of the International Development Strategy	82
Canada and the Foreign Firm	43
The Water Resources of Latin America - Regional Report	55

Cuadernos Estadísticos de la CEPAL

1	América Latina: relación de precios del intercambio	66
2	Indicadores del desarrollo económico y social en América Latina	178

Books published under an agreement with the
Fondo de Cultura Económica

América Latina: integración económica y sustitución de importaciones. N. González, J. Ayza, G. Fichet	232
El desarrollo esquivo. Exploraciones en la política social y la realidad socioeconómica. M. Wolfe	311
Mujeres en América Latina: aportes para una discusión. J. Graciarena	204
América Latina y los problemas actuales de la energía. (Documents presented at the Technical Symposium on Latin America and the Current Energy Problems (23-27 September 1974).)	568

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Revista de la CEPAL, Nº 1

CEPAL Review, Nº 1

Revista de la CEPAL, Nº 2

CEPAL Review, Nº 2

Estudio Económico de América Latina, 1975 (in the press)

Economic Survey of Latin America, 1975 (in the press)

Anuario Estadístico de América Latina/Statistical Yearbook for Latin America, 1975 (in the press)

Revista de la CEPAL, N° 3 (in the press)

CEPAL Review, N° 3 (in course of preparation for printing)

Estudio Económico de América Latina, 1976 (in course of preparation)

Economic Survey of Latin America, 1976 (in course of preparation)

Anuario Estadístico de América Latina/Statistical Yearbook for Latin America, 1976 (in course of preparation for printing)

MIMEOGRAPHED DOCUMENTS w/

Spanish English

For general distribution

Servicios de transporte terrestre internacional en los corredores Lima-Buenos Aires y Lima-São Paulo
(E/CEPAL/1007) 346

Sistema de información y planificación de transporte
(E/CEPAL/1008) 238

Possible features of a financial safety net for Latin America (E/CEPAL/1009) 16 14

Report of the Caribbean Development and Co-operation Committee (Havana, Cuba, 31 October-4 November 1975)
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The agricultural sector in the economic integration system of Latin America (E/CEPAL/1011) 218 216

Experiencias sobre cálculos del producto interno bruto regional (E/CEPAL/1012) 167

Economic Survey of Latin America, 1975
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Annual Report. Work of the Commission from 7 May 1975 to 6 May 1976 (E/CEPAL/1016) 85 83

Situation and evolution of food and agriculture in Latin America (E/CEPAL/1017) 144 140

w/ This is not an exhaustive list since it does not include the preliminary versions for internal distribution or a large number of documents produced by the sub-regional offices.

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Evaluación de la Asistencia Técnica recibida por las empresas ferroviarias de América Latina (E/CEPAL/1019)	66	
Report of the Regional Preparatory Meeting of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean for the United Nations Water Conference (E/CEPAL/1020)	113	109
Indicators of economic and social development in Latin America, 1976 (E/CEPAL/1021)	Bilingual	200
Constituent Declaration and Functions and Rules of Procedure of the Caribbean Development and Co-operation Committee (E/CEPAL/1022)	16	15
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The economic and social development and external relations of Latin America (E/CEPAL/1024)	313	298
Report of the Third Meeting of the Committee of High-Level Government Experts to Appraise the International Development Strategy (E/CEPAL/1025)	73	68
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Action in the field of population: recent contributions and strategies for the future (E/CEPAL/1037)	22	22
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Report of the second session of the Caribbean Development and Co-operation Committee (Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, 15-22 March 1977) (E/CEPAL/1039)	41	39

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Las exportaciones de manufacturas en América Latina: informaciones estadísticas y algunas consideraciones generales (E/CEPAL/L.128)	113	
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