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## IRON AND STEEL MAKING AND TRANSFORMING INDUSTRIES

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The Economic Commission for Latin America,

Considering:

(a) That the iron and steel making and transforming industries are of capital importance for the economic development of the Latin American countries;

(b) That the secretariat, in compliance with instructions issued to it during the fifth session of the Commission, organized, in co-operation with the United Nations Technical Assistance Administration, the Government of Brazil and the Associação Brasileira de Metais, a Latin American Meeting of Experts on the Iron and Steel Making and Transforming Industries, held at Sao Paulo from 15 to 28 October 1956, and prepared a report on this subject;

(c) That the aforesaid Meeting of Experts suggested a series of points on which studies should be begun, continued or carried out in fuller detail by the secretariat of the Commission, either alone or in collaboration with the

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Technical Assistance Administration,

1. Takes note with satisfaction of the publication of document E/CN.12/425 presented by the secretariat;
2. Expresses its satisfaction at the successful results of the Meeting of Experts at Sao Paulo;
3. Recommends to the secretariat that, provided available resources so permit, and with the collaboration of the Technical Assistance Administration and other public and private organizations, it carry out, giving due consideration to the findings of the Inter-American Meeting of Experts on Technical Standards, the studies suggested by the Meeting of Experts, namely:
  - (a) classification, simplification and standardization of non-current and quality steels;
  - (b) standardization of rolled steel products;
  - (c) productivity in iron and steel foundries, and an economic survey of the procedures for the reduction of iron ores;
  - (d) economic evaluation of metal-working processes;
  - (e) the motor vehicles industry;
  - (f) training of and demand for engineers, technicians and skilled workers;
  - (g) preparation of production and consumption statistics;
  - (h) expansion and improvement of the glossary of technical and trade terms in Spanish, English and Portuguese;
4. Reaffirms the authorization given to the secretariat at the fifth session to convene, when the progress of the work so justifies, and with the co-operation of the Governments, the Technical Assistance Administration and the specialized agencies concerned with this subject, a Committee of Experts to examine the studies carried out and suggest any changes in the programmes that it may deem advisable.