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PROGRAMMING BY SECTORS AND BY REGIONS,  
AND PREPARATION, PRESENTATION AND EVALUATION  
OF PROJECTS

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The Economic Commission for Latin America,

Bearing in mind the studies and other work carried out by  
the secretariat to date on the problems of Latin America's  
economic development and the methods of analysis and  
projection which it has prepared for this purpose;

Considering that the studies presented at the current session  
(The economic development of Bolivia, External disequilibrium  
in Latin America's economic development: the case of Mexico,  
and the progress report on the study of the economic develop-  
ment of Argentina) constitute contributions of primary im-  
portance as regards the application and extension of the afore-  
said method of analysis, and are documents essential to a better  
understanding of the process of economic development in Latin  
America as a whole;

Considering that the secretariat has presented a Manual on  
Economic Development Projects, prepared by an expert of the

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Technical Assistance Administration in collaboration with the secretariat, this document being designed to facilitate the evaluation and preparation of individual development projects within the general context of over-all programming or policies designed to promote economic growth;

Considering that an expert of the Technical Assistance Administration, in collaboration with the secretariat, has prepared a preliminary report on problems of public administration in relation to economic development policies;

Considering that various Latin American countries are using the method of analysis and projection prepared by the secretariat as an instrument for the programming of development and for development policies;

Considering, further, that over-all programming needs to be supplemented by programming by sectors and by regions, and that within each sector and in regional programmes the objective evaluation of individual projects and the careful preparation of new projects must be increasingly undertaken on lines compatible with the over-all projections of the economy;

Considering, in consequence, that it is desirable for the Governments, in connexion with their development policies by sectors or by regions and with the evaluation and preparation of individual projects, to make use of the experience acquired by the ECLA secretariat in the application of its methods of analysis and in its study of the process

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of growth of the Latin American countries:

Taking into account the fact that, with respect to pulp and paper, the secretariat has acquired, through the joint ECLA/FAO/TAA Advisory Group, positive and significant experience which has enabled the Governments to make considerable progress in the practical solution of problems relating to the industry in question;

Mindful that resolution 99 (VI) recommended to the secretariat that it assist Governments, when they so request, in establishing the relevant economic factors and in co-ordinating energy development programmes,

Decides:

1. To recommend to the secretariat that, besides continuing its methodological studies on the analysis and projection of development on the basis of the experience of the Latin American countries, it devote attention to the specific problems relating to programming by sectors and by regions and to the preparation, presentation and evaluation of individual projects, and that it advise Governments, which so request, on such matters, seeking for this purpose the fullest possible co-operation from the various United Nations sources of technical assistance, in order to avoid the dissipation or duplication of effort;

2. To recommend to Governments that, in the case of all topics or programmes not directly related to the development studies carried out by ECLA, they apply to the technical assistance services of the United Nations, following the established procedures.