

ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA

Second Session

COMMITTEE 4

SUMMARY RECORD OF THE SECOND MEETING

Held at Havana, Cuba,
on Thursday, 2 June 1949, at 3.30 p.m.

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Coordination between the Inter-American Economic and Social Council and the Economic Commission for Latin America.
Consideration of the proposed Economic Conference of the Amazon Basin Countries. (E/CN.12/68)
Consideration of Population Characteristics, Chapter V and of Transportation, Chapter VI of the document E/CN.12/82).

<u>Chairman:</u>	Mr. MEJIA PALACIO	Colombia
<u>Present:</u>	Mr. FERRER VIEYRA	Argentina
	Mr. ALVARADO	Bolivia
	Mr. OZORIO de ALMEIDA	Brazil
	Mr. VERGARA	Chile
	Mr. LOPEZ FRESQUET	Cuba
	Mr. VILLANUEVA	Dominican Republic
	Mr. BRUNET	France
	Mr. HUDICOURT	Haiti
	Mr. BELAUDEZ	Honduras
	Mr. ZAMORA	Mexico
	Mr. RIEMENS	Netherlands
	Mr. McCULLOUGH	Panama
	Mr. FEARNLEY	United Kingdom
	Mr. KELLOGG	United States of America
	Mr. GONZALEZ	Uruguay

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Inter-American Economic and Social Council:

Mr. TAYLOR Executive Secretary

Representatives of the specialized agencies:

Mr. CASSERES	Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
Mrs. THIBERT	International Labour Organization (ILO)
Mr. BUDITH	World Health Organization (WHO)
Mr. LOPEZ	International Bank for Reconstruction and Development
Mrs. THOMPSON	International Monetary Fund

Consultants from non-governmental organizations:

Mr. BAIGCOYEN National Association of
Manufacturers (NAM)

Secretariat:

Mr. CASTILLO	Economic Commission for Latin America
Mr. KYBAL	Economic Commission for Latin America

/Mr. MACHADO

Mr. MACHADO (Chairman of the Commission) transmitted an invitation from the President of the Republic of Cuba to visit him on Friday, 3 June and called a brief Plenary Session to be held on the said day at 10 a.m. Upon their return from the Presidential Palace the delegates are to meet in committees Nos. 1 and 2.

Mr. MEJIA PALACIO (Chairman) opened the discussion of the items submitted to the Committee.

COOPERATION BETWEEN THE INTER-AMERICAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL AND ECLA.

Mr. PENTEADO (Brazil) supported by Mr. SMITH (United States of America) proposed a meeting between the representatives of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council and the Economic Commission for Latin America in order to avoid duplications in their activities.

Mr. PORTELL VILA (Cuba) asked if there were representatives of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council at Havana and the Chairman having explained that two of the Council's delegates were expected to arrive soon, Mr. PORTELL VILA suggested to wait for the said representatives in order to hold the proposed meeting.

It was so agreed.

CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED ECONOMIC CONFERENCE OF THE AMAZON BASIN COUNTRIES (Document E/CN.12/88)

Mr. GARCIA (Peru) asked for the distribution of copies of the resolution adopted at Geneva by the Economic and Social Council and also the copies of the resolution transferring the former to the Economic Commission for Latin America.

/It was agreed

It was agreed to distribute copies of the said resolutions and to postpone the debate until the next meeting of the Committee.

CONSIDERATION OF CHAPTER V, POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS
(Document E/CN.12/82)

Mr. PORTELL VILA (Cuba) pointed out that the Survey does not include the statistical data of the Cuban Census Office until 1948 and asked that government be given an opportunity to put up to date their information regarding population.

Mr. BUDITH (World Health Organization) offered statistical data compiled by his organization, to the Secretariat of ECLA.

Mr. FERRER VIEYRA (Argentina) remarked that the colonial territories are not included in the Survey.

Mr. CASTILLO (Assistant Executive Secretary of ECLA), stated that their exclusion was due to the fact that the mandate to make the Economic Survey specified only the twenty Latin American Republics.

It was agreed to discuss the chapter on population after next Monday (6 June) and to hold on this date the meeting with the representatives of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council.

CHAPTER VI: TRANSPORTATION (Document E/CN.12/82)

Mr. PORTELL VILA (Cuba) admitted the hazards confronted to make the Economic Survey but said that he does not approve the Chapter VI because the transportation issue is not detailed enough and regarding Cuba, there are errors about the extension of the railways.

It was agreed that in the next meeting the representatives should make concrete considerations.

The meeting rose at 4.50 p.m.