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PROGRAMMING OF AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

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THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA:

CONSIDERING:

that the need to raise the standard of living of the population of Latin America calls for an expansion of agricultural production,

that this expansion should be carried out in accordance with organic programmes adjusted to the structural conditions of the economy, to domestic requirements, to a suitable distribution of the factors concerned among the various activities and to the situation and prospects for foreign markets.

that the formulation of an organic programme of agricultural development requires prior preparation by a technical expert in this branch of programming, whose standards are integrated with a general methodology of economic programming, as well as the availability of a complete statistics and basic studies,

that the document The Selective Expansion of Agricultural Production in Latin America and its Relationship to Economic Development (Document E/CN.12/378) jointly prepared by ECLA and /FAO, represents

FAO, represents a valuable contribution to the progress of work on the technique of agricultural programming, and

that resolution 64 (V) of the Economic Commission for Latin America requests the secretariat, FAO and the Inter-American Statistical Institute to undertake research into the structure of the system of agricultural statistics of the Latin American countries.

RESOLVES :

To recommend to the ECLA secretariat and the Food and Agriculture Organization that they collaborate in carrying out a study of the technique of agricultural programming, as a component part of the over-all study on the technique of programming undertaken by the ECLA secretariat, with special reference to the economic structure and the over-all development requirements of the Latin American countries;

To recommend to the ECLA secretariat, to FAO and to the Inter-American Statistical Institute that they provide the advice and assistance required by the governments of the member countries for the thorough preparation and compilation of the statistics and basic studies which are essential for the programming of agricultural development; and

To recommend to the governments of member countries, that, in accordance with the indication and advice of the entities mentioned in the foregoing recommendation, they organize, wherever necessary, the centres of statistical, economic and social research necessary for this purpose, and that these centres establish, for the countries of the region, a permanent interchange of statistical information, through the ECLA secretariat.