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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening addresses.
2. Election of officers.
3. Adoption of the Agenda.
4. Current Economic Situation and Prospects.
 - a. Trends in production and the rate of development.
 - b. Inflationary tendencies.
 - c. Trends in exports and imports.
 - d. Price movements of export commodities and the terms of trade.
 - e. Payments problems -- changes in reserves and short term assets and credit; changes in the pattern of payments with particular reference to Europe; Latin America and the EPU.

Background documents: Economic Survey 1951/52 (document E/CN.12/291);

A Study of Trade between Latin America and Europe -- prepared by the ECLA/ECE/FAO Secretariats. (United Nations Sales No. 1952.II.G.2.)

Possibility of effecting multilateral compensation settlements between Latin American and European countries through the facilities of the European Payments Union. Prepared by ECLA consultant. (Doc.E/CN.12/299).

General Assembly resolution 623(VII) on "Financing of Economic Development through the establishment of fair and equitable international prices for primary commodities and through the execution of national programmes of integrated economic development".

/5. General Problems

5. General Problems of Economic Development and Methods of Programming.

Background documents: Preliminary Study on Technique of Programming Economic Development (document E/CN.12/292);

Study on Economic Development of Ecuador (document E/CN.12/295);

Study of Taxation in Capital-Exporting and Capital-Importing Countries of Foreign Private Investment in Latin America -- prepared by the Fiscal Division, United Nations Department of Economic Affairs. (Document E/CN.12/298);

Technological Research and Technical Training in Latin America -- A preliminary pilot study, with reference to Chile, prepared by the Secretariat with assistance of a Group of Experts. (Document E/CN.12/300).

General Assembly resolution 627(VII) on "Activities of Regional Economic Commissions and Economic Development of Under-Developed Countries".

6. Development of Iron and Steel Industry in Latin America.

Background document: Study on Iron and Steel Industry and Report on Meeting of Experts sponsored by ECLA and TAA (document E/CN.12/293).

7. Production and Consumption Trends of Paper and Pulp and Latin American Resources for Development of Paper and Pulp Industry.

Background document: Preliminary Study of Possibilities for the Development of the Pulp and Paper Industry in Latin America -- prepared jointly by ECLA/FAO Secretariats. (Document E/CN.12/294).

8. Economic Development and Integration of Central America.

Background documents: Progress Report on Economic Integration and Reciprocity Programme in Central America (document E/CN.12/296);

Progress Report on ECLA/TAA technical mission on transportation problems of Central America (document E/CN.12/297);

General Assembly resolution 627(VII) on "Activities of Regional Economic Commissions and Economic Development of Under-Developed Countries".

/9. Economic Problems

9. Economic Problems of Agriculture. ECLA/FAO Joint Work Programme.

Factors affecting agricultural production and development and their relation to overall development programming in individual countries.

Background documents: Economic Survey 1951/52 -- chapter on agriculture (document E/CN.12/291);

A Study of Trade between Latin America and Europe -- prepared by the ECLA/ECR/FAO Secretariats. (United Nations Sales No. 1952.II.G.2.);

Agricultural Credit Seminar in Central America -- Report prepared by FAO, ECLA and the Government of Guatemala. (Document E/CN.12/305);

Study on Economic Development of Ecuador (document E/CN.12/295);

Analysis of some factors which act as an obstacle to the increase of agricultural production; a specific investigation based on sampling technique -- prepared by ECLA/FAO Secretariats. (Document E/CN.12/306);

Relationship of Agriculture to the Economy of Brazil -- prepared by FAO/ECLA Secretariats (document E/CN.12/307);

Relationship of Agriculture to the Economy of Peru -- prepared by FAO/ECLA Secretariats (document E/CN.12/308);

Progress Report on ECLA/FAO Collaboration (document E/CN.12/309);

General Assembly resolution 625(VII) on "Land Reform".

10. Technical Assistance for Economic Development.

Background documents: United Nations (Technical Assistance Administration) technical assistance activities in the ECLA region -- Report by UN TAA (document E/CN.12/301);

Technical Assistance activities under the expanded programme in the countries of the ECLA region -- information paper prepared by Secretariat of TAB (document E/CN.12/302);

Report on ECLA/TAA Economic Development Training Programme (document E/CN.12/303);

Progress Report on Economic Integration and Reciprocity Programme in Central America (document E/CN.12/296);

Background documents: (continued)

Progress Report on ECLA/TAA technical mission on transportation problems of Central America (document E/CN.12/297);

Study on Iron and Steel Industry and Report on Meeting of Experts sponsored by ECLA and TAA (document E/CN.12/293);

General Assembly resolution 621(VII) on "Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance for the Economic Development of Under-Developed Countries".

11. Problems of Intra-Regional Trade and Possibilities of Expanding Trade among the Southern South American countries (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay).

Background document: Preliminary study prepared by the Secretariat (document E/CN.12/304).

12. Work Programme and Priorities 1953/54.

General Assembly and Economic and Social Council resolutions on priorities and coordination of the work of the United Nations and the Specialized Agencies -- with covering note by Executive Secretary. (Document E/CN.12/310).

Statement by the Executive Secretary on Work Programme and Priorities 1953/54 -- to be submitted during the meeting.

13. Coordination with IA-ECOSOC.

Memorandum by Executive Secretary -- document E/CN.12/311).

14. Consultative Arrangements with Non-Governmental Organizations.

Memorandum by Executive Secretary -- document E/CN.12/312).

15. Consideration and Adoption of the Annual Report of the Commission to the Economic and Social Council.

16. Date and Place of Sixth Session of the Commission.