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COMMITTEE 3

(Technical Assistance)

Draft Resolution on Technical Assistance

Approved by the Committee

THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA

1. CONSIDERING that the Commission at its First Session adopted the resolution of 25 June 1948, requesting the Executive Secretary to submit a preliminary study of the needs of the Latin American countries for technical and administrative personnel, means and facilities, and their present availability; and also requested him, in addition to such a study which was to be presented to the Second Session, to prepare in due course and submit to the various countries, list of organizations able to render the necessary technical assistance;

TAKES NOTE of the preliminary study on the needs for technical assistance submitted by the Executive Secretary (E/CN.12/84);

TAKES NOTE of the Progress Report of the Expert of the ILO on Enquiries Conducted into Vocational and Technical Training Requirements and Facilities in Latin America (E/CN.12/90), and believes that the ILO will continue and intensify its cooperation with the Secretariat of the Commission;

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economic development, adopted at the Second Part of the Third Session, by virtue of which the Secretary General initiated a programme of services for technical assistance to the Member Governments of the United Nations;

CALLS THE ATTENTION of the Latin American Governments to the technical assistance which can now be extended to them by the Secretary General in accordance with the said Resolution; and especially calls attention (1) to the sending of comprehensive economic missions or groups of experts of the United Nations and its specialized agencies to study on the spot possibilities and plans for economic development and (2) to the availability of fellowships for technicians to improve their knowledge and skills abroad;

WELCOMES the statement made by the President of the United States of America to the effect that the United States in a co-operative enterprise in which all nations work together through the United Nations and its specialized agencies, will place at the disposal of the economically under-developed countries the benefits of her resources of technical knowledge and experience, in order to assist them in raising the standard of living of their peoples;

EXPRESS THE HOPE that the plan for realizing a broad programme of technical assistance through the United Nations and its specialized agencies, which is to be submitted to the Economic and Social Council by the Secretary General in pursuance of the Council's Resolution 180 (VIII), will obtain sufficient support to enable this plan to be implemented in accordance with the methods and policies which

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the Economic and Social Council may establish, and thus make possible an effective increase in the technical assistance services of the United Nations and specialized agencies, so that the needs of the Latin American countries may be met;

3. CALLS THE ATTENTION of the Economic and Social Council to the specific projects requiring technical assistance which have been or may be submitted by the Latin American countries. Some of these projects are mentioned in the Second Part of the Executive Secretary's Preliminary Study on the Needs for Technical Assistance (E/CN.12/84) attached

4. REQUESTS the Executive Secretary, in accordance with the methods and policies which the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations may call for, to establish the facilities that will enable him to offer assistance to the Latin American Governments in the appraisal of their most urgent needs for technical assistance for economic development, acting in co-operation with the specialized agencies whenever possible.

Havana, Cuba, 7 June 1949.

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