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PROMOTION OF THE TOURIST TRADE

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THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA,

HAVING CONSIDERED the economic situation in Latin America and analysed the factors, the favourable development of which would help to expand the national economies;

REGARDING the tourist trade as one of the effective means of promoting the economic development of certain regions and as conducive, in addition, to the cultural and political rapprochement of peoples;

CONSIDERING that the execution of an efficacious tourist policy requires, for its proper development, agreements between the Latin-American countries calculated to achieve this purpose;

BEING CONVINCED that the said agreements should be based on impartial studies of the conditions prevailing in Latin America in this particular respect, for these studies will make it possible to remove the obstacle hampering the expansion of the tourist trade between the Latin-American peoples; and

NOTING that there is general agreement concerning the manifold

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advantages which a gradual broadening of the tourist trade will yield;

CONSIDERING that the Transport and Communications Commission of the United Nations recommended the Economic and Social Council to call a world conference for the purpose of simplifying and liberalizing customs formalities applicable to tourists;

CONSIDERING that the Inter-American Economic and Social Council is carrying out a complete study and preparing other valuable documents relating to this subject;

REQUESTS the Secretariat of the Economic Commission for Latin America, in consultation with the Secretariat of the IA-ECOSOC, to determine how the Commission can co-operate in these studies.