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ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Adoption of the Agenda

The Economic and Social Council at its Thirteenth Session decided to postpone the Fifth regular session of the Economic Commission for Latin America until February 1953. However, the Council decided that it would be desirable to hold a meeting of a Committee of the Whole of the Commission in order to adopt the Annual Report to the Council and to deal with any other matters requiring action at this date. Since there will be no regular session in 1952 it will be necessary for the Committee of the Whole to approve the work programme and priorities for 1952/53 as well as to review the current 1951/52 programme (approved at the Mexico meeting in June 1951).

The Secretariat will not present any substantive economic reports to this meeting.

The meeting will be opened by the Chairman. The first business of the meeting will be a statement by the Executive Secretary. The Committee will then adopt the agenda on the basis of the provisional one prepared, according to the Rules of Procedure, by the Executive Secretary in consultation with the Chairman.

2. Progress Report by the Executive Secretary

This report gives a detailed account of the work of the Secretariat since the Fourth Session held at Mexico City in June 1951.

3. Technical Assistance

a) Resolution 4(IV), (document E/2021, pp.79-80), requested the Executive Secretary to arrange for the establishment of an ECLA Centre for Economic Development and to work out, in consultation with the

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Director General of the Technical Assistance Administration, administrative and financial provisions to cover the training aspects of the activities to be carried on in the Centre. The statement of the Executive Secretary to be presented to the Committee of the Whole meeting on this project will discuss the steps which have been taken to implement the resolution, including those aspects of the organization and programme which have been agreed between the Executive Secretary and the Director General of TAA.

b) Resolution 12(IV), (document E/2021, pp.85-86) on Technical Assistance recommended that the report on the progress made in the field in technical assistance in Latin America for the next session of the Commission should include information on technical assistance provided under the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance of the United Nations as well as information on assistance provided under Council resolutions 200 and 246(III). In compliance with this recommendation a paper has been prepared giving an account of the programme of fellowships and scholarships and the technical missions which have been sent to the Latin American countries under the present United Nations Technical Assistance Programme for Economic Development.

4. Economic Integration of Central American Countries

This paper will give a more detailed account than that contained in the Progress Report, of the work of the Secretariat in carrying out the objectives of resolution 9(IV), (document E/2021 pp.89-90), on Economic Development in Central America.

5. Production and Distribution of Newsprint and Printing Paper in Latin America

This item has been placed on the agenda pursuant to resolution 374(XIII) of the United Nations Economic and Social Council, regarding the production and distribution of newsprint and printing paper, which requests:

"(a) that, with a view to immediate results, the Regional Economic Commissions encourage trade which would provide newsprint and printing paper industries with adequate supplies of raw materials (paragraph A4); and

(b) that, with a view to action over a longer period, the Regional Economic Commissions assist governments and intergovernmental organizations in their efforts to overcome the shortage of newsprint and printing paper (paragraph B4(b))."

Pursuant to resolution 10(IV) on Special Industry Studies (document E/2021, pp.91-92), the Secretariat is preparing, in collaboration with FAO, a study on the development of wood pulp and paper industries in Latin America. The Statement to be submitted by the Executive Secretary on this subject will give an account of this study and briefly present information on current requirements of Latin America for wood pulp and paper products and the extent to which these needs are being met out of local production.

6. Action by the Economic and Social Council with respect to ECLA

The Council, acting on a recommendation of the Commission (resolution 1(IV) document E/2021 pp. 65-68), adopted resolution 414(XIII) which inter alia made certain changes in the Terms of Reference of the Commission. This informatory note which will be presented by the Executive Secretary will give the text of the changes in the Terms of Reference and will also discuss briefly the recommendations of the Council regarding changes in the Rules of Procedure.

7. Progress Report on Co-ordination between ECLA and the IA-ECOSOC

This is the report of the ECLA/IA-ECOSOC Committee on Co-ordination, established in accordance with resolution 31(IV), (document E/2021 pp.131-134), which reviews the 1952 work programmes of the two organizations and gives an account of co-ordination activities and co-operative arrangements in carrying out those programmes.

8. Priorities in the Work Programme

In reviewing the work programme for 1952/53 the Committee may wish to take into consideration the Progress Report by the Executive Secretary as well as the recommendations to be adopted at the meeting.

The Executive Secretary intends to present in the course of the meeting a statement which will include continuing projects, ad hoc projects that may continue into 1953, and new projects contemplated. In accordance with the decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council, he will indicate what are the financial implications of the decisions of the Committee of the Whole, in order to facilitate the considerations of the Work Programme of the Commission from the point of view of the most economic use of available resources and of priorities attached to various projects.