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The Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America,

Bearing in mind the documents Technical Assistance Activities in Latin America (E/CN.12/AC.40/5), prepared by the Technical Assistance Administration, and Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance (E/CN.12/AC.40/4), prepared by the secretariat, of the Technical Assistance Board as well as the section in the Progress report by the Executive Secretary (E/CN.12/AC.40/2) relating to the secretariat's collaboration with the decentralized units of the Technical Assistance Administration;

Whereas the Secretary-General of the United Nations laid stress, in his report to the General Assembly, on the fact that the decentralization of the Office of Technical Assistance Administration for Latin America had made it possible to ensure close collaboration between the Technical Assistance Administration and the ECLA secretariat, and that this collaboration had been reflected in a marked increase in the interest shown by the Latin American Governments in technical assistance provided by the above mentioned Office, particularly in the fields of natural resources and the development of energy, transport and communications, as well as industrial development and productivity,

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Whereas the Secretary-General also pointed out that decentralization had led to the establishment of closer contact between TAA and governmental agencies concerned with economic development, resulting in more effective advance study and in an improvement in the formulation of projects, and hence, in the more rapid implementation and greater usefulness of the Programme;

Whereas the experience of the Latin American Governments confirms the statements made by the Secretary-General,

Takes note of documents E/CN.12/AC.40/4 and E/CN.12/AC.40/5 and the relevant part of document E/CN.12/AC.40/2, and

Endorses the hope expressed by the Latin American Governments that the decentralization of TAA be established on a permanent basis as soon as possible, in order to further the trend towards the more efficient utilization of resources for the purposes of TAA programmes which has resulted from such decentralization.