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ANNOTATED AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda

The provisional agenda appearing on page 1 of this document should be adopted at the opening meeting. The following sections comment on the various agenda items, and list the documents to be submitted by the ECLA secretariat.

2. The economic and social situation in Latin America

Under this item, the secretariat will present the "Economic Survey of Latin America, 1969", and "The Latin American Economy in 1969". These documents will enable the Commission to evaluate the present domestic and external situation in the region and its economic and social aspects.

Documents

"Economic Survey of Latin America, 1969" (E/CN.12/AC.62/2; E/CN.12/851)

"The Latin American Economy in 1969" (highlights from the "Survey")
(E/CN.12/AC.62/5; E/CN.12/852).

3. The activities of the Commission in connexion with the Second United Nations Development Decade

The United Nations is engaged in developing a new action programme for the 1970s designed to speed up the economic growth and social progress of the developing countries.

The secretariat will present a document entitled "Work in connexion with the Second United Nations Development Decade: Guidelines for the secretariat". This document examines in general outline what form the secretariat's future information, research and technical assistance activities should take to ensure that the Commission makes an effective contribution to the action programme for the Second Development Decade.

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It would therefore be very useful if, during the session of the Committee of the Whole, member Governments could give their comments and views in this respect, so that the secretariat can present more precise and specific proposals to the Commission at its fourteenth session (Guatemala City, April 1971).

Document

"Work in connexion with the Second United Nations Development Decade: Guidelines for the secretariat" (E/CN.12/AC.62/3).

4. Activities of the Commission since its thirteenth session

Under this item, the secretariat will present a report on the activities of the Commission since its thirteenth session.

The report reviews the work done by the various offices, divisions and units of the secretariat, and their participation in conferences and seminars and relations with other international and United Nations agencies.

The programme of work and order of priorities covering the period 1969-1971 will not be presented at this session since both were adopted by the Commission at its thirteenth session, and the secretariat has no changes to propose in them.

Document

"Annual Report. Part One. Activities of the Commission since its thirteenth session" (E/CN.12/AC.62/4).

5. Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning

In accordance with resolution 220 (AC.52), adopted by the Commission at the ninth session of the Committee of the Whole, the Institute was established as an autonomous agency under the aegis of ECLA, with the financial co-operation of the United Nations Development Programme (Special Fund component) and the Inter-American Development Bank. Its activities began on 1 July 1962.

/(a) Report

(a) Report on activities

Under resolution 220 (AC.52), part A, paragraph 2 (c), the Governing Council of the Institute is required to submit to the Commission an annual progress report on the Institute's work. At the present session, this requirement will be met as usual by the submission of a special document and by a statement from the President of the Governing Council.

Document

"Report on the activities of the Institute in 1969" (INST/L.17 and Add. 1) and "Programme of work and programme budget for 1970" (INST/L.19), with a note by the secretariat.

(b) Future activities and financing of the Institute

The Plan of Operations for phase II of the Institute, as adopted by the United Nations Development Programme, notes that "the Institute is intended to be a permanent body and one purpose of the Project is to provide a further period during which the Governing Council shall actively explore possibilities for future financing of the Institute and shall submit a concrete proposal in this respect to ECLA prior to its 1970 session". In compliance with this provision, the proposals made by the Director-General of the Institute will be presented to the Committee of the Whole for its consideration, together with the resolution adopted by the Governing Council at its thirteenth session (Santiago, Chile, January 1970).

Documents

"Proposals submitted to the Governing Council by the Director-General on the future activities and financing of the Institute" (INST/L.18) and "Resolution adopted by the Governing Council", (INST/L.20) with a note by the secretariat.

6. Consideration and adoption of the annual report of the Commission to the Economic and Social Council

The report will contain an account of the proceedings of the Fifth Extraordinary Session, and the texts of the resolutions adopted.