ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

REPORT

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL
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UNITED NATIONS
Santiago, Chile, 1984
The Economic Commission for Latin America,

Recalling its resolution 358(XVI) which established the Caribbean Development and Co-operation Committee,

Recalling also ECLA resolutions 372(XVII) and 399(XVIII) and resolutions 420 (FLEN.14) and 451 (FLEN.16) of the Committee of the Whole, which endorsed the Constituent Declaration, functions, rules of procedure and work programme of CDCC and the reports of the first through the sixth sessions of the Committee,

Bearing in mind resolution 1982/58 of the Economic and Social Council, which took note of the determination of the member governments of CDCC to pursue activities aimed at strengthening the Secretariat of the Committee, and General Assembly resolution 32/197 on restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system and decentralization of the functions of the United Nations, including those of the economic commissions,

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1. Notes the progress achieved in the implementation of the approved work programme since the sixth session of the Committee;

2. Endorses with appreciation the report of the seventh session of CDCC and the resolutions contained therein;

3. Endorses also the programme of work approved for the biennium 1984-1985;

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1. Notes with appreciation the recent advances in the delegation of authority to the ECLA Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean, the identification of most items of the budget as they relate to CDCC in the 1984-1985 Programme Budget document, and the issuance of separate budgetary allotments for the ECLA Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean;

2. Reiterates its concern that:

i) the entire work programme of the ECLA Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean for 1984-1985 continues to be subsumed as a subprogramme under the Programme "International Trade and Development Financing";

ii) delays are still being experienced in filling the vacant posts in the ECLA Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean;
3. Requests the Executive Secretary of ECLA to seek the revision at the earliest possible time of the United Nations medium-term plan for the period 1984-1989 and the combined ECLA work programme, in order to re-establish a separate programme for the ECLA Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean, as was the case during the 1982-1983 biennium;

4. Further requests the Executive Secretary of ECLA to accelerate efforts to seek and to channel funding and resources to the ECLA Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean and also to accelerate the filling of vacant posts in that office, bearing in mind that several Caribbean countries are non-represented or under-represented on the staff of the United Nations;

5. Requests the Secretariat of the Caribbean Development and Co-operation Committee to proceed with the implementation of the approved work programme for the biennium 1984-1985; observing the priorities set by the Committee.

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6 April 1984