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DRAFT RESOLUTION ON CO-ORDINATION AMONG PROGRAMMING BODIES

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The Economic Commission for Latin America,

Whereas several Latin American countries possess or are organizing programming bodies for the purpose of guiding their economic development into appropriate channels with a view to bringing about the harmonious growth of all sectors of production and raising the standards of living rapidly without disturbing the balance thereof,

Considering that it is extremely useful that each such advisory body should have the opportunity of becoming better acquainted with the organization of the other bodies, their methods of work, objectives and targets and programmes whether under study or in process of being carried out and of pooling the conclusions derived from their experience.

Taking into account that a technical co-operation agreement to this effect already exists between the programming bodies of Colombia and Ecuador, and was signed in February 1959 by the Governments concerned, ad referendum,

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Bearing in mind that at the recent consultations on trade policy and payments at Caracas consideration was given to the possibilities of extending the aforesaid agreement to other Latin American programming bodies,

Believing that the ECLA secretariat could be of effective assistance as a centre for the pooling of experiences and suggestions in these matters,

Decides to request the ECLA secretariat, if national Governments so request and to the extent that their resources allow, to study the organization, objectives, methods of work and other characteristics of the programming bodies existing or about to be set up in Latin America, as well as their programmes under study or in process of being carried out and to act as liaison between these bodies, and to suggest that, in the event of the conclusions of agreements like that already entered into between Colombia and Ecuador, the ECLA secretariat, when so requested, should assist in the organization of the joint secretariat thus formed.