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245 (XI). Research for industrial development

The Economic Commission for Latin America,

Considering that the integration of Latin America should be based on an accurate knowledge of its natural and human resources,

Bearing in mind that the establishment of dynamic industries in the region is a good start for the integration process, and that their proper siting is a factor which will help to bring the differences in levels of economic development of the countries of the region into balance,

Considering that industrial development should be integrated with the development of agriculture, mining and fishing,

1. Recommends that the Governments of member States should initiate or intensify the taking of inventories of their natural and human resources;

2. Recommends that the secretariat and the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning should continue the research concerning the most appropriate methods for the industrialization of Latin America.

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246 (XI). Education for industrial development

The Economic Commission for Latin America,

Bearing in mind that the basic purpose of accelerated industrial development is to raise living levels, the main limiting factor being the productivity of the people,

Noting that one feature of the industries of other countries which have attained high levels of productivity has been the large number of university graduates, intermediate-level technicians and skilled workers which modern technology requires,

Considering that the intensive industrial development of Latin America in the next decade will necessitate a much larger supply of skilled manpower than can be provided by the present educational facilities available within and outside the region,

Considering that applied research, the provision of national facilities for the designing, construction and assembly of modern plant and its subsequent efficient operation depend on the available supply of skilled personnel, and that it is extremely important to find a satisfactory solution to the problems that education at all levels creates for a region with such high rates of illiteracy as prevail in Latin America,

Recommends to member States that the activities, allocation of resources and planning directed towards the development of industry and mass education should be co-ordinated and commensurate with requirements, in order to avoid bottlenecks in economic development created by a possible shortage of skilled manpower.

14 May 1965

247 (XI). Conference on the application of science and technology to the development of Latin America

The Economic Commission for Latin America,

Taking into account the growing importance of scientific and technological knowledge for the more intensive industrialization of Latin America,

Considering that UNESCO and ECLA have scheduled a conference on the application of science and technology to the development of Latin America, to be held in September 1965 at Santiago, Chile,

Considering that the agenda of the conference will include the following items: natural resources and their utilization; human resources and the training of scientific and technical personnel; the application of science and technology to the industrial development of Latin America; and scientific and technological policies and the machinery for their implementation;

Calls upon member countries to give the conference their strong support, in view of the importance it deserves to be given in the interest of the industrialization of Latin America.

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248 (XI). Democratization of the industrialization process

The Economic Commission for Latin America,

Recognizing that it is important that the broadest sectors of the population of Latin America should play an active part in the efforts to expedite the region's industrial growth,

Bearing in mind that industrial development requires maximum utilization of the existing and potential entrepreneurial skills of the population of Latin America,

Recommends that the secretariat, in continuing its industrial development activities, should pay particular attention to ways and means of enhancing the opportunities for the expression and utilization of entrepreneurial capabilities, and of the skills of the workers, in Latin America.

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