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368 (XVII) RELATIONS WITH THE EUROPEAN  
ECONOMIC COMMUNITIES

The Economic Commission for Latin America,

Considering the mutual interest which exists in the developing countries of Latin America and in the European Communities to strengthen their relation through a more effective dialogue at the highest level, and taking into account the fact that SELA has already taken steps to achieve this objective,

Instructs the Executive Secretary of CEPAL to hold the necessary consultations, with the assistance of the Permanent Secretariat of SELA to hold as soon as possible a joint meeting at the highest level between the Latin American States and the States Members of the European Economic Communities in order to identify the areas where there could be a genuinely improved relationship between the two regions.

201st. meeting  
5 May 1977

369 (XVII) INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION

The Economic Commission for Latin America,

Considering the increasing importance of international economic co-operation as a means of promoting integrated development, and having duly noted the statements made by the developed member countries of CEPAL in the course of the Conference to the effect that neither effort nor political will should be spared to this end,

Considering the importance which the Paris Conference has at the present time because of the significance of the issues considered at it for the developing countries, and particularly for Latin America,

Considering that the Conference has now recommenced its work,

Urges the developed countries to adopt a broad enough range of those measures submitted by the developing countries as would

constitute a global programme for the substantive improvement of international economic co-operation and so allow the full implementation of the decisions set forth in General Assembly resolution 3515 (XXX).

201st. meeting  
5 May 1977

370 (XVII) EXTERNAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS

The Economic Commission for Latin America,

Considering that the Third Regional Appraisal of the International Development Strategy clearly states the fundamental problems of Latin America as regards its external relations and the essential elements of a plan of action in this connexion,

Considering further that CEPAL is a suitable instrument for the analysis of the problems and for the elaboration of solutions, and an extremely useful forum for consultation and co-operation among its developing and developed member countries in the search for solutions,

Instructs the Executive Secretary, insofar as the resources available to him permit, to:

1. Analyse some of the essential elements for a new policy on international co-operation for development, in the area of trade, such as:

(a) New concepts appropriate to the countries of Latin America as regards subsidies, advance reciprocity, safeguards and industrial relocation;

(b) The gradual reduction of protection by developed countries as regards products of interest to Latin American countries;

(c) The approach to be taken in specific cases of products and sectors which face export barriers in the markets of developed countries;