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UTILIZATION OF RIVERS AND LAKES

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The Economic Commission for Latin America, Considering:

That the utilization of the waters of lakes and rivers forming hydrographic basins common to several countries is a question of vital importance for the economic development of the countries concerned;

That such utilization would often appear to be feasible on the basis of joint effort;

That studies and projects for the satisfactory utilization of the waters of international rivers and lakes are
feasible only in so far as effective co-operation is established
between the Government agencies concerned with hydraulic
problems,

Recommends to the secretariat that it approach the Governments of the Latin American countries with a view to ensuring that the utilization of rivers and lakes situated in international hydrographic basins, for hydro-electric energy, irrigation, /navigation and

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navigation and any other useful purposes to which they may lend themselves, be effected on the basis of adequate planning undertaken by international technical commissions.