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558(XXVI) REGIONAL PROGRAMME OF ACTION FOR THE WOMEN OF
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN, 1995-2001

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Taking into account the resolution adopted by the Regional Conference on the Integration of Women into the Economic and Social Development of Latin America and the Caribbean at its sixth session, recommending the adoption of the Regional Programme of Action for the Women of Latin America and the Caribbean, 1995-2001,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 50/203 of 22 December 1995, in which the Assembly endorses the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action adopted by the Fourth World Conference on Women and recommends their implementation,

Considering Economic and Social Council resolution 1988/59, in which the Council requests the Secretary-General to initiate the formulation of a system-wide medium-term plan for the advancement of women for the period 1996-2001, and the recommendation made by the Commission on the Status of Women at its fortieth session that the Economic and Social Council should adopt the revised draft plan, taking into account the comments of the Commission on that plan contained in the annex to the relevant resolution,

1. Adopts the Regional Programme of Action for the Women of Latin America and the Caribbean, 1995-2001;
2. Requests the Executive Secretary of ECLAC to give maximum support to regional activities in implementation of the Programme;
3. Urges the implementation of the Regional Programme of Action in close coordination with the rest of the United Nations system, as a complement to the Beijing Platform for Action and the medium-term plan for the period 1996-2001 to be adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its next session;
4. Requests the Regional Conference on the Integration of Women into the Economic and Social Development of Latin America and the Caribbean and its Presiding Officers to carry out a periodic review and evaluation of the implementation of the 1977 Regional Plan of Action, in accordance with paragraph 88 of that Plan, and of the Regional Programme of Action for 1995-2001.