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350 (XVI) ACTIVITIES OF THE UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSITY IN RESPECT
OF THE APPLICATION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
TO DEVELOPMENT

The Economic Commission for Latin America,

Recalling in connexion with the application of science and technology to development, the provisions of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, the Declaration and Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order and the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States,

Reiterating the absolute necessity for international action to assist the developing countries in acquiring appropriate scientific and technological know-how on reasonable terms in order to attain their development objectives,

Recognizing that urgent and effective action is needed to reduce the technological gap between developed and developing countries through the development of indigenous technology,

1. Recommends to the Council of the United Nations University that the question of the level of technology in developing countries, its transfer from developed countries and the terms of transfer, and the development of an indigenous technology appropriate to the developing countries should be assigned a very high priority in the work programme of the United Nations University in association with the Universities and research institutions of Member States;

2. Requests the Executive Secretary of ECLA and the Director of the Latin American Institute for Economic and Social Planning to assist in this effort to make the University more effective and promote interest in its work which, according to the Charter approved by the United Nations, must give special attention to the needs of the developing countries.

190th meeting
12 May 1975