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AND THE CARIBBEAN (ECLAC)**

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559(XXVI) PROGRAMME OF WORK OF THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR  
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN (ECLAC) FOR  
THE BIENNIUM 1998-1999

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Bearing in mind rule 24 of the rules of procedure of the Commission, the mandates issued by the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council on the preparation and consideration of the programmes of work of all the bodies of the system, and the provisions of General Assembly resolution 38/32E and decision 1984/101 of the Economic and Social Council regarding recurrent publications of the United Nations,

Having been informed of the contents of the draft medium-term plan for the period 1998-2001 which the secretariat prepared for consideration at United Nations Headquarters in New York,

Having considered the draft programme of work for the different areas of activity of the ECLAC system for the period 1998-1999, which also covers the Latin American and Caribbean Institute for Economic and Social Planning (ILPES) and the Latin American Demographic Centre (CELADE),

Taking full account of the views expressed and the adjustments to the programme proposed by representatives of the Governments of member States, in addition to the changes agreed upon in the debate, which will be set out in the final report of the twenty-sixth session, and the changes deriving from the resolutions adopted at that session,

1. Approves the draft programme of work of the ECLAC system,<sup>1</sup> including ILPES and CELADE, for the period 1998-1999, which, with the adjustments provided for in the resolutions adopted at the twenty-sixth session of the Commission, especially the resolution on strengthening sustainable development in Latin America and the Caribbean, will be the legislative basis of the Commission for the execution of the programmes and projects and the issuance of the recurrent publications included in it;

2. Decides that the ad hoc open-ended working group to be established by virtue of the resolution on reform of the United Nations and its impact on ECLAC should be entrusted with the task of setting priorities for the draft programme of work for the biennium 1998-1999;

3. Takes note that the allocation of resources necessary for carrying out the activities described in the programme of work will require the prior approval of the relevant bodies of the United Nations;

4. Requests the Executive Secretary to submit to the relevant bodies of the United Nations such proposals as may be necessary for the programme of work thus approved to be carried out;

5. Asks the Executive Secretary to report to the twenty-seventh session of ECLAC on progress in implementing this resolution.

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<sup>1</sup> Draft programme of work of the ECLAC system, 1998-1999 (LC/G.1901(SES.26/6)).