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567(XXVII) ECLAC CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES FOR THE PERIOD 1998-2000

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Recalling resolution 419(PLEN.14) of the Committee of the Whole of ECLAC on rationalization of the institutional structure and the pattern of meetings of the ECLAC system, in which it was decided that at each of the Commission's regular sessions the complete calendar of conferences and meetings planned up to the next regular session should be considered,

Taking into account resolution 489(PLEN.19) on the intergovernmental structure and functions of ECLAC, in which it was recommended that the current institutional structure should be maintained,

Taking into account also resolution 553(XXVI) on reform of the United Nations and its impact on ECLAC, in which it was recommended that the current institutional pattern of conferences of the ECLAC system should continue to serve as the foundation in maintaining the simplicity, effectiveness and flexibility of the Commission,

Bearing in mind the resolutions and decisions of the Economic and Social Council and of ECLAC establishing and governing the periodicity of the meetings of subsidiary bodies of the Commission,

Having examined the proposed calendar of ECLAC intergovernmental conferences for the period 1998-2000 set forth in annex 5 to the relevant document,¹

Considering the objectives and priorities established in the subprogrammes of the work programme and the regional programmes of action approved by the member States at the twenty-seventh session of the Commission,

Recalling that the primary responsibility for implementing the declarations and programmes of action adopted at world conferences of the United Nations rests with the Governments of the countries,

1. Approves the ECLAC calendar of conferences as it appears in the annex to this resolution, with the observations and suggestions included in the report on the twenty-seventh session of the Commission;

2. Affirms that the current conference servicing system of ECLAC, under which the Executive Secretary is responsible for both substantive and organizational aspects, has been found to be efficient and cost-effective and recommends that these tasks should remain his responsibility;

3. Reaffirms the importance of continuing to entrust ECLAC with the task of organizing and holding regional meetings preparatory and in follow-up to world conferences of the United Nations in the economic and social fields;

¹ "Proposed calendar of conferences of ECLAC for the period 1998-2000. Note by the secretariat" (LC/G.1992(SES.27/11)).

4. Requests the Executive Secretary to submit to the relevant United Nations bodies such proposals as may be necessary to enable the calendar of conferences as approved to be carried out;

5. Asks the Executive Secretary to report to the Commission at its twenty-eighth session on the implementation of this resolution.

Annex
CALENDAR OF ECLAC INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONFERENCES FOR THE PERIOD 1998-2000

Year	Title	Place and date	Legislative authority	Source of funding
1998	Technical stage of the seventeenth session of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee (CDCC)	Port of Spain 23-24 March	ECLAC resolutions 358(XVI), 419(PLEN.14), 489(PLEN.19) and 557(XXVI)	ECLAC regular budget
1998	Twenty-seventh session of ECLAC	Oranjestad, Aruba 11-16 May	ECLAC resolutions 419(PLEN.14), 489(PLEN.19), 553(XXVI), 557(XXVI) and 562(XXVI)	ECLAC regular budget
1998	Ministerial stage of the seventeenth session of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee (CDCC)	Oranjestad, Aruba 15 May	ECLAC resolutions 358(XVI), 419(PLEN.14), 489 (PLEN.19) and 557(XXVI)	ECLAC regular budget
1998	Twenty-sixth meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean ¹	a/ First half of the year	Regional Plan of Action for the Integration of Women into Latin American Economic and Social Development, para. 88.2	ECLAC regular budget
1998	Central American Economic Cooperation Committee	a/ Second half of the year	ECLAC resolution 9(IV)	ECLAC regular budget
1998	Eleventh meeting of the Regional Council for Planning (ILPES)	Chile Second half of the year	ECLAC resolution 340(AC.66)	ECLAC and ILPES regular budgets

¹ In the resolution on activities in follow-up to the Regional Programme of Action for the Women of Latin America and the Caribbean, 1995-2001, adopted by the Regional Conference on the Integration of Women into the Economic and Social Development of Latin America and the Caribbean at its seventh session, it was recommended that the name of the Conference should be changed to the above. This recommendation required ratification by the member States of the Commission at its twenty-seventh session.

Year	Title	Place and date	Legislative authority	Source of funding
1998	Tenth Conference of Ministers and Heads of Planning of Latin America and the Caribbean	Chile Second half of the year	ECLAC resolution 340(AC.66) and 371(XVII)	ECLAC and ILPES regular budgets
1998	Third Joint OAS/ECLAC Meeting on Statistical Matters	Santiago, Chile Second half of the year	Agreement on Cooperation in Statistical Matters signed by ECLAC and the Organization of America States (OAS)	Regular budgets of ECLAC and OAS
1998	Twenty-seventh meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean	Santiago, Chile Second half of the year	Regional Plan of Action for the Integration of Women into Latin American Economic and Social Development, para. 88.2	ECLAC regular budget
1999	Twentieth session of the Committee of High-level Government Experts (CEGAN)	a/, b/	ECLAC resolutions 310(XIV); 419(PLEN.14); 422(XIX), para. 204; 425(XIX); and 489(PLEN.19)	ECLAC regular budget
1999	Twenty-second session of the ECLAC Committee of the Whole	a/, b/	ECLAC resolutions 419(PLEN.14) and 489(PLEN.19)	ECLAC regular budget
1999	Twenty-eighth meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean	a/ First half of the year	Regional Plan of Action for the Integration of Women into Latin American Economic and Social Development, para. 88.2	ECLAC regular budget
1999	Meeting of the Monitoring Committee of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee (CDCC)	a/, b/	ECLAC resolutions 358(XVI), 419(PLEN.14) and 489 (PLEN.19)	ECLAC regular budget
1999	Central American Economic Cooperation Committee	a/ Second half of the year	ECLAC resolution 9(IV)	ECLAC regular budget

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1999	Twentieth meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Council for Planning (ILPES)	a/ Second half of the year	ECLAC resolution 351(XVI)	ECLAC and ILPES regular budgets
1999	Second Regional Conference in Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development	a/, b/	ECLAC resolutions 535(XXV) and 557(XXVI), Copenhagen Declaration on Social Development and Consensus of Sao Paulo	ECLAC regular budget
1999	Twenty-ninth meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean	a/ Second half of the year	Regional Plan of Action for the Integration of Women into Latin American Economic and Social Development, para. 88.2	ECLAC regular budget
2000	Twenty-first session of the Committee of High-level Government Experts (CEGAN)	a/ First half of the year	ECLAC resolutions 310(XIV); 419(PLEN.14); 422(XIX), para. 204; 425(XIX); and 489(PLEN.19)	ECLAC regular budget
2000	Twenty-eighth session of ECLAC	Mexico First half of the year	ECLAC resolutions 419(PLEN.14), 489(PLEN.19) and 553 (XXVI)	ECLAC regular budget
2000	Thirtieth meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean	a/ First half of the year	Regional Plan of Action for the Integration of Women into Latin American Economic and Social Development, para. 88.2	ECLAC regular budget
2000	Twenty-first meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Council for Planning (ILPES)	a/, b/	ECLAC resolution 351(XVI)	ECLAC and ILPES regular budgets
2000	Eighteenth session of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee (CDCC)	a/, b/	ECLAC resolutions 358(XVI), 419(PLEN.14) and 489(PLEN.19)	ECLAC regular budget

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2000	Central American Economic Cooperation Committee	a/, b/	ECLAC resolution 9(IV)	ECLAC regular budget
2000	Fourth Joint OAS/ECLAC Meeting on Statistical Matters	Santiago, Chile Second half of the year	Agreement on Cooperation in Statistical Matters signed by ECLAC and OAS	ECLAC and OAS regular budgets
2000	Thirty-first meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean	a/ Second half of the year	Regional Plan of Action for the Integration of Women into Latin American Economic and Social Development, para. 88.2	ECLAC regular budget
2000	Eighth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean	Peru Second half of the year	The Conference was created as a permanent subsidiary body of ECLAC by decision of the eleventh special session of the Committee of the Whole (E/CEPAL/AC.71.4)	ECLAC regular budget

a/ Venue to be determined.

b/ Date to be determined.