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A. ATTENDANCE AND ORGANIZATION OF WORK

Place and date of the session

1. The thirty-second session of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean was held in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, from 9 to 13 June 2008.

Attendance 1

- 2. The session was attended by representatives of 35 States members of the Commission: Argentina, Barbados, Belize, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, France, Germany, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kingdom of the Netherlands, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Republic of Korea, Saint Lucia, Spain, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America and Uruguay.
- 3. Four associate members of the Commission were also represented: British Virgin Islands, Netherlands Antilles, Puerto Rico and Turks and Caicos Islands.
- 4. Also attending the session as special guests were the President and the Vice-President of the Dominican Republic.
- 5. The United Nations Secretariat was represented at the session by the Officer-in-Charge of the Regional Commissions New York Office, the Director of the Americas and Europe Division of the Department of Political Affairs and the Director of the Financing for Development Office of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs.
- 6. The following United Nations bodies were represented: United Nations Children's Fund, United Nations Population Fund, International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women, United Nations Development Programme and World Food Programme.
- 7. Representatives of the following specialized agencies of the United Nations attended the session: International Labour Organization, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, United Nations Industrial Development Organization, World Health Organization/Pan American Health Organization, World Bank and World Trade Organization.
- 8. Intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council were also represented

Credentials

9. In accordance with rule 15 of the Commission's rules of procedure, the credentials of the delegations as submitted to the Executive Secretary were examined and found to be in order.

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The list of participants appears as annex 3 to this report.

Election of officers

- 10. At the first plenary meeting, the delegations elected the officers of the thirty-second session.
- 11. The officers elected to preside over the thirty-second session were as follows:

Chairperson: Dominican Republic

Vice-Chairpersons: Barbados, Peru and Uruguay

Rapporteur: Guatemala

12. The officers elected to preside over the ECLAC sessional Ad Hoc Committee on Population and Development were as follows:

Chairperson: Mexico Vice-Chairpersons: Argentina

Ecuador Jamaica Panama

Cuba Rapporteur:

13. The officers elected to preside over the Committee on South-South Cooperation were as follows:

Chairperson: Paraguay Vice-Chairpersons: Barbados Mexico

Ecuador Rapporteur:

Organization of work

In addition to the plenary meetings held during the ECLAC session and in accordance with the 14. relevant statutory provisions, concurrent meetings were held by the ECLAC sessional Ad Hoc Committee on Population and Development and the Committee on South-South Cooperation.

Documentation

15. A list of the working documents submitted by the secretariat to the Commission at its thirtysecond session is provided in annex 4.

B. AGENDA

- 16. The Commission adopted the following agenda:
 - 1. Election of officers
 - 2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of the work of the thirty-second session
 - 3. Presentation and analysis of the document entitled *Structural Change and Productivity Growth 20 Years Later. Old problems, new opportunities*
 - 4. Report on the activities carried out by the Commission since the thirty-first session
 - 5. Draft programme of work of the ECLAC system, 2010-2011
 - 6. Proposed calendar of conferences of ECLAC for the period 2008-2010
 - 7. Regional Consultation Preparatory to the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus
 - 8. ECLAC sessional Ad Hoc Committee on Population and Development
 - 9. Committee on South-South Cooperation
 - 10. Consideration of the request of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for admission of the Cayman Islands as an associate member of ECLAC
 - 11. Other matters
 - 12. Consideration and adoption of the resolutions of the Commission at its thirty-second session

C. SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

Opening of the thirty-second session of the Commission

- 17. On 10 June 2008, at the opening of the thirty-second session, statements were made by José Luis Machinea, Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), and Leonel Fernández, President of the Dominican Republic.
- 18. After thanking the Government of the Dominican Republic for hosting the Commission's thirty-second session, the Executive Secretary referred to the Commission's 60-year history of activities aimed at the formulation of a coherent and genuinely regional body of thought on economic, social and institutional development. It was necessary to re-examine the Commission's vision of structural change and productivity growth in the light of contemporary circumstances in order to analyse the new technoeconomic paradigms and the growing hyper-segmentation of markets, as those changes could help the region overcome old problems of growth and equity and identify new forms of competitiveness.

- 19. The region's progress in recent years had opened up new opportunities, but slower growth in the developed world, faster inflation and rising food and oil prices would have a direct impact on the countries of the region. Three issues should be given priority: reducing the impact of price increases for food, fuel and other goods on low-income populations, providing more funding for agencies as a means of affording short-term relief to the poorest countries, and taking a precautionary approach to monetary policy, especially with respect to interest rates. It was therefore essential to design and implement a strategy aimed at diversifying production and enhancing global integration on the basis of technological progress. In turn, the countries of the region would not be able to achieve the rates of innovation and scientific and technological advancement they needed to create real development opportunities without forging a long-term alliance between the public and private sectors. In order to meet the two major challenges of enhancing social cohesiveness and laying the foundations for sustainable growth, it was necessary to conclude wide-ranging agreements between social and political stakeholders and to promote negotiated settlements to conflicts in the countries of the region.
- 20. The President of the Dominican Republic, after welcoming the participants, referred to the Commission's indisputable prominence in the region's economic history. There was some debate as to the existence of a truly Latin American and Caribbean school of thought in the political sphere, but not in the economic sphere, thanks to the Commission's contributions. The document submitted at the current session offered fresh perspectives on a 20-year-old proposal centred around the aim of social equity. The current document provided recommendations on how the countries could better position themselves in world markets and boost their participation in global value chains.
- 21. Although he was optimistic about the region's future, he warned of the disturbances on the horizon in the international context: the global economic slowdown, especially in the United States, the energy crisis and the consequent upsurge in food prices, which had prompted the convening in Rome of the High-level Conference on World Food Security. The volatility of oil prices posed a threat to political stability around the world and was primarily related not to real economic fundamentals, but to a self-feeding frenzy that demonstrated the need to rectify the way in which the international financial system functioned.
- 22. Solidarity should take precedence over the "casino capitalism" being observed in stock exchanges and investment banks. Accordingly, the Dominican Republic had requested the Secretary-General of the United Nations to establish a global solidarity fund financed with 0.7% of the gross domestic product (GDP) of the developed countries, in line with the commitment undertaken at the 1995 World Summit for Social Development. Multilateral institutions should be more adequately funded and expeditious disbursement mechanisms should be created to assist countries in crisis. In that connection, he called for a process of reflection on how economic growth in the region could be sustained in a context of deterioration and uncertainty. The support of the Commission was invaluable to the countries in their search for ways to weather the current difficulties.

<u>Presentation and analysis of the document entitled Structural Change and Productivity Growth - 20 Years</u>
<u>Later. Old problems, new opportunities</u> (agenda item 3)

- 23. The Executive Secretary of ECLAC presented the document *Structural Change and Productivity Growth 20 Years Later. Old problems, new opportunities.* Gert Rosenthal and José Antonio Ocampo, former Executive Secretaries of ECLAC, commented on the document.
- 24. In presenting the document, the Executive Secretary of ECLAC referred to the recent economic context in Latin America and the Caribbean and stressed that new opportunities had opened up for the

region as a result of a changed international economic environment marked by the emergence of new actors, the nature and intensity of trade flows, the process of structural change and the continued acceleration of technological advances. Moreover, new techno-economic paradigms were emerging and taking root, with profound effects on competitiveness in many sectors.

- 25. He noted in particular that the development of information and communication technologies (ICTs) and upgrading in value chains were essential for the region's advancement. Innovation was a key element in which public-private alliances and effective institutions could play a vital role. The analysis revealed a lack of convergence in the region, but also the existence of great potential and opportunities that must be identified and utilized. The experience of other countries demonstrated the need to formulate medium- and long-term strategies to sustain structural change, productivity growth and export development. Lastly, he indicated that the process should be financed with rents from natural resources, albeit without eliminating incentives for private investment.
- 26. A message from Enrique Iglesias, former Executive Secretary of the Commission and current Secretary-General of the Ibero-American Secretariat, was read out, congratulating the outgoing Executive Secretary on his successful stewardship of the Commission and highlighting the significance of the analyses and policy recommendations contained in the document.
- 27. Gert Rosenthal said that although the session document was forward-looking, it built upon a number of leitmotifs that had been developed in the Commission's analyses over the years: the asymmetry between countries in the "centre" and those on the "periphery"; the application of technological advances to production processes; the importance of ensuring social equity and broader distribution of the fruits of growth; the need for the State to play a more proactive role in its relations with the market; the importance of institutional and structural factors; issues relating to investment and financing for development; and the need for intraregional cooperation, especially through regional integration. The document's analyses depicted a region in which even the smaller countries were much better equipped to meet future challenges than they had been 20 years earlier. However, the document rightly noted that the countries still needed to develop clear strategies for structural change and productivity growth. Experiences in other regions, especially South-East Asia, had shown that large gains in productivity and per capita income could be achieved in a relatively short time. While the Latin American and Caribbean countries had not yet realized such gains, the positive changes they had introduced meant that they could realistically aspire to achieve similar success in the medium term.
- 28. In his comments on the presentation, José Antonio Ocampo referred to the Commission's intellectual history and recalled that the document Changing Production Patterns with Social Equity had launched a fruitful line of inquiry for the institution. Structural change and productivity growth, which went beyond macroeconomic factors, had been the overarching theme of those ideas, and social equity was regarded as the prime objective of development. In 20 years of analyses, two key ideas had stood out: that productive development was not confined to industrialization and that it could only be achieved through the joint efforts of the public and private sectors. He underscored the significance of the issues raised in the session document, in particular quality and innovation-oriented learning; the biotechnology paradigm, which offered the region new development opportunities; and public-private alliances for structural change, productivity growth and global integration. The microeconomic approach taken to the analysis of those factors was particularly useful. In terms of the opportunities available to the region, he stressed the importance of the mining sector, whose products, unlike those of the agricultural sector, had reached record price levels; he also referred to the use of technological or sectoral instruments to promote development and innovation. Lastly, he emphasized that productivity gains were inextricably tied to unemployment reduction.

29. The Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade of the Republic of Korea said that his country had become a full member of the Commission in July 2007 as part of its efforts to strengthen its relations with the Latin American and Caribbean countries. Economic and social stability in those countries had enabled them to achieve robust economic growth in recent years. There was no guarantee that such prosperity would continue, however; the countries must prepare for the challenges ahead, and the agenda of the current session was very timely in that regard. Upon its admission to ECLAC, the Republic of Korea had doubled its cooperation funding for the institution. It looked forward to fruitful cooperation with the Commission in the years to come.

Report on the activities carried out by the Commission since the thirty-first session (agenda item 4)

- 30. The secretariat submitted for consideration by delegations a report on the activities conducted in the framework of the programme of work of the ECLAC system in the two years since the previous session of the Commission. The secretariat reported on the regional context and the priorities that had shaped the Commission's work, as well as the new thematic areas and emphases that had been incorporated. Core aspects of that work included providing substantive services for high-level intergovernmental meetings, follow-up to international conferences on economic and social affairs and technical secretariat services to the Commission's subsidiary bodies, as well as coordinating inter-agency follow-up of the Millennium Development Goals. The Commission had published over 2,000 new documents during the biennium and had undertaken activities to reinforce the Commission's evaluation function. The dissemination and communication of information, especially through the ECLAC website, had increased notably.
- 31. The Chairpersons of the following subsidiary bodies reported and commented on the outcomes of their meetings and activities during the biennium in the framework of their specific mandates: the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean, the Statistical Conference of the Americas of ECLAC, the Regional Follow-Up Mechanism for eLAC2010 and the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee.

Draft programme of work of the ECLAC system, 2010-2011 (agenda item 5)

- 32. The Executive Secretary of the Commission presented the draft programme of work of the ECLAC system for the biennium 2010-2011 (LC/G.2373(SES.32/9)). After reviewing the most important economic, social and environmental issues and challenges facing Latin America and the Caribbean, he outlined the Commission's future priorities in relation to internationally agreed development goals, including those deriving from the Millennium Declaration. He then presented the most specific lines of work in each of the Commission's 12 subprogrammes in the areas of economic, social and sustainable development, as well as the training, statistical and technical cooperation activities to be carried out at the regional and subregional levels. Lastly, he described the Commission's strategy and the working methods that it proposes to achieve the expected outcomes.
- 33. In their discussion of the draft programme of work, delegations recalled that activities should be tailored to the circumstances in each country and that food security and energy security were major issues. It was suggested that a network for dialogue should be set up to consider regional strategies for coping with the surge in food prices. Other crucial areas to be addressed were urban issues, capacity-building in science and technology and climate change, with a view to developing policies and programmes for adaptation and mitigation.

- 34. It would be desirable to delegate some areas of decision-making to the different subregional headquarters in order to be able to respond to the countries in a more expedite and efficient manner. Generally speaking, it was recommended that the communications strategy of ECLAC be strengthened in order to improve dissemination of the institution's messages and the findings of its research and to ensure that information regarding its work was shared more widely.
- 35. One delegation requested that the issue of trade and social cohesion should be included under subprogramme 1, thematic area 1.1.3 (Technical cooperation), and that provision should be made under subprogramme 11 for training activities to develop Central America's trade negotiation capacity. With reference to the process of reform of the United Nations, it was important to strengthen coordination and synergies between the Commission and other agencies, programmes and funds in the system operating in the region. Lastly, it was important to dispose of more time to conduct a careful examination of the draft programme of work.

<u>Proposed calendar of conferences of ECLAC for the period 2008-2010</u> (agenda item 6)

36. The Executive Secretary submitted the proposed calendar of conferences of ECLAC for the period 2008-2010 for consideration by delegations, and it was approved as contained in the annex to resolution 634(XXXIII).

Regional Consultation Preparatory to the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus (agenda item 7)

- 37. The Regional Consultation Preparatory to the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus started in the afternoon of Wednesday, 11 June.
- 38. The representative of the ECLAC secretariat presented the document entitled *Trends and challenges in international cooperation and the mobilization of resources for development in Latin America and the Caribbean.*
- 39. The speakers in panel 1 on "Financing and cooperation" were Daniel Titelman, Development Studies Unit of ECLAC; José Antonio Ocampo, professor, Columbia University; and Enrique García, Executive President of the Andean Development Corporation.
- 40. In panel 2, "Mobilization of domestic resources", the speakers were Daniel Titelman; João Carlos Ferraz, Director of Planning and Research of the National Bank for Economic and Social Development (BNDES) of Brazil; and Clemente Ruiz Durán, Faculty of Economics of the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM).
- 41. The panellists in Panel 3 on "Systemic issues" were Jan Kregel, Levy Economics Institute of Bard College; Omar Ramírez, Secretary of State for the Environment of the Dominican Republic; Esteban Pérez, Development Studies Unit of ECLAC; Sonia Montaño, Officer-in-Charge of the Women and Development Division of ECLAC; and Martin Hopenhayn, Officer-in-Charge of the Social Development Division of ECLAC.
- 42. The fourth panel, "Financing for development: gender policies" was conducted in the framework of the Regional Consultation and in accordance with the agreements adopted at the forty-first meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean. The

panel was moderated by Flavia García, Secretary of State for Women of the Dominican Republic and presentations were made by María Eugenia Casar of the Secretariat of Finance and Public Credit of Mexico; Alejandra Valdés, consultant and researcher; and Sonia Díaz, Under-Secretary of State for Women of the Dominican Republic. Also participating in the discussions were María del Carmen Feijoo, Programme Officer for Education Reform of the Ford Foundation; and Jeannette Carrillo, Executive President of the National Institute of Women of Costa Rica.

43. The outcome of the Regional Consultation will be transmitted to the Secretary-General as an input for the documents to be prepared for the following preparatory phases for the Conference.

ECLAC sessional Ad Hoc Committee on Population and Development (agenda item 8)

44. The report of the ECLAC sessional Ad Hoc Committee on Population and Development appears in annex 1 to this report.

Committee on South-South Cooperation (agenda item 9)

45. The report of the ECLAC Committee on South-South Cooperation is attached as annex 2.

Consideration of the request of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for admission of the Cayman Islands as an associate member of ECLAC (agenda item 10)

- 46. A draft resolution was presented welcoming the request by the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for admission of the Cayman Islands as an associate member of the Commission, and it was decided to admit the Cayman Islands in that capacity.
- 47. The resolution was adopted by acclamation.

<u>High-level seminar "Structural Change and Productivity Growth - 20 Years Later. Old problems, new opportunities"</u>

- 48. The document *Structural Change and Productivity Growth 20 Years Later. Old problems, new opportunities* was analysed at length by four panels, devoted to the following subjects: Latin America and the Caribbean and structural changes in the world economy; Competitiveness and learning in the natural resources sector; Competitiveness and learning in the manufacturing and services sectors; and Public-private alliances for innovation and restructuring of production.
- 49. The first panel was moderated by Rebeca Grynspan, Assistant Administrator and Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). Presentations were given by Carlota Pérez, consultant and researcher, University of Cambridge, University of Sussex and Technological University of Tallinn (Estonia); Carl Dahlman, professor, Georgetown University; Luc Soete, Director, Maastricht Economic and Social Research and Training Centre on Innovation and Technology, United Nations University; and Ludovico Alcorta, Director, Research and Statistics Branch, United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO).
- 50. The presentations addressed the need to incorporate the latest technologies into natural-resource-based production processes to take advantage of the region's comparative advantages, knowledge and experience and penetrate specialized niche markets; invest in education and innovation; bring about structural changes in agriculture to achieve ecologically and socially sustainable growth; consider the

formulation of a common agricultural policy for the region; increase saving rates to finance development; and explore new modes of furthering integration. That process should be viewed as a temporary strategy for basing regional growth on more knowledge-intensive production activities in the future.

- 51. The second panel was moderated by João Carlos Ferraz, Director of Planning and Research of the National Bank for Economic and Social Development (BNDES) of Brazil. The panellists were Adrián Alfredo Fernández, President, National Institute for Ecology of Mexico; Carlos Gustavo Cano, Codirector of the Banco de la República of Colombia; and Carlos Ferraro Rey, Deputy Minister for Industry of Peru.
- 52. The panellists discussed the relationship between natural resources exploitation and poverty, as well as the inclusion of environmental variables in the analysis of the various issues covered in the session document. Outstanding challenges included the elimination of unnecessary obstacles to the widespread adoption of biotechnology and the difficulties of coordination and communication for sustainable natural resource exploitation, along with the lack of technical training in that field. Also mentioned was the need to promote private investment in resource exploitation and processing and to take due account of the new market barriers that had emerged in connection with environmental standards. The participants agreed that the use of alternative energy sources in the small countries of the Caribbean and Central America should be further explored.
- 53. The third panel, moderated by Temístocles Montás, Minister of State of Economic Affairs, Planning and Development of the Dominican Republic, consisted of Luiz Antonio Elias, Executive Secretary, Ministry of Science and Technology of Brazil; Luisa Fernández, Executive Director of the National Council for Free Trade Areas of the Dominican Republic; René Villarreal, President, Intellectual Capital and Competitiveness Centre of Mexico; and José Luis Rodríguez, Minister of Economic Affairs and Planning of Cuba.
- 54. The panellists stressed the importance of linking science, technology and innovation policy to industrial policy and of investing in education and research to build the human and intellectual capital needed to compete in contemporary markets. The countries should develop innovation strategies and progress from manufacturing to "mindfacturing" clusters so that they could advance along the value chain. The experience of the Dominican Republic showed that free zones could be used to diversify and increase the value added of exports and improve competitiveness. Cuba had been successful at developing high-value-added technologies, and biotechnology products in particular. One participant noted that research at the University of Paris had indicated that the region was in danger of losing competitiveness in both manufacturing and services in the coming years.
- 55. The fourth panel was moderated by Kim Sung-hwan, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea. Presentations were given by Carlos Álvarez, Executive Vice-President, Production Development Corporation (CORFO) of Chile; Francisco Sagasti, Executive Director of FORO Nacional/Internacional of Peru and Director of Agenda: Perú; Basil Springer, Change-Engine Consultant, Caribbean Business Enterprise Trust Inc.; and Juan José Palacios L., professor and coordinator, Transnational Studies Programme, Department of Political Studies, University of Guadalajara.
- 56. The Executive Vice-Chairman of the Production Development Corporation (CORFO) of Chile indicated that in his country, institutional design relating to innovation for development and competitiveness provided for participation by public-private alliances and academics, increased investment, the definition of industrial clusters that were the target of investment and research efforts, as well as the training of skilled human resources and the implementation of production development

initiatives at the local level. The Executive Director of the National/International Forum and Director of Programa Agenda: PERÚ stated that to the issues raised by ECLAC 20 years ago were now added multiple areas of interaction between different agents, such as the public sector, the private sector and civil society organizations and external factors. Public-private partnerships in the Caribbean were then discussed from the perspective of Barbados, which had followed the Irish model of development, based on the principle of progress one objective at a time and the adoption of a social compact to advise the Prime Minister. Inviting social partners to participate, responding quickly to seed and venture capital needs and engaging funding entities that had the potential to promote growth were other pillars of the Barbadian model. Lastly, the professor and coordinator of the Programme of Transnational Studies in the Department of Political Studies of the University of Guadalajara focused on corporate initiative, which created or enhanced the capacity for innovation and boosted competitiveness and product diversification, while enabling industries to produce more sophisticated exports and move up in the value chain. The speaker also stressed that public-private alliances at the regional level facilitated consensus-building, were more solid, strengthened competitiveness and innovation and responded better to each industrial sector's local needs, productive potential and capabilities.

Closing meeting

- 57. At the closing meeting of the thirty-second session of ECLAC, statements were made by Temístocles Montás, Minister for Economic Affairs, Planning and Development of the Dominican Republic, and José Luis Machinea, Executive Secretary of the Commission.
- 58. The Minister for Economic Affairs, Planning and Development of the Dominican Republic declared his satisfaction at the outcome of the current session and said that the discussions had been extremely valuable for ECLAC and for the countries of the region. On behalf of the member States, he expressed appreciation to the Executive Secretary for his service to the Commission in the preceding years, highlighting the valuable contributions he had made to the thinking of the region and to its advancement in the various areas of work that came under the Commission's mandate.
- 59. The Executive Secretary of the Commission said that the work carried out at the thirty-second session mapped out the line of work to be accomplished by ECLAC in the following years. The core issues to be addressed by the Commission were social equity, rights-based social protection, building social justice, structural change and productivity growth with equity and the virtuous integration of the region into world markets; the food and energy crisis would now have to be added to the list. Lastly, he expressed his heartfelt appreciation to the member States of the Commission and to the other United Nations bodies and to his colleagues for their support during his mandate.
- 60. At the end of the session, the representative of Brazil officially conveyed his country's offer to host the thirty-third session of ECLAC, scheduled to be held in 2010. The offer was welcomed by the delegations.

D. RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY ECLAC AT ITS THIRTY-SECOND SESSION

61. At its thirty-second session, the Commission adopted the resolutions reproduced below.

633(XXXII) SANTO DOMINGO RESOLUTION

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Recalling its resolution 553(XXVI), in which it affirmed that, in Latin America and the Caribbean, ECLAC is especially well qualified to undertake the tasks entrusted to it by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 106 (VI), in the framework of a restructured United Nations, and that, therefore, ECLAC should function as a centre of excellence charged with collaborating with member States in a comprehensive analysis of development processes geared to the design, monitoring and evaluation of public policies, together with operational services in the fields of specialized information, advisory services, training and support for regional and international cooperation and coordination,

Bearing in mind that the draft programme of work of the Commission for the biennium 2010-2011, as presented by the Executive Secretary, comprises efforts to consolidate the progress achieved in terms of macroeconomic stability and further enhance policies to reduce vulnerability; increase the region's productive potential and reduce productivity gaps; improve the region's position in the international economy and foster long-term productive development strategies with appropriate forms of public-private partnership and participation; promote a broad social agreement aimed at enhancing social cohesiveness, reducing social risks and reinforcing gender mainstreaming in public policies; improve sustainable development policies and address the economic and social impacts of climate change; strengthen public management; and improve institution-building related to the management of global issues at the regional level,

Having examined the document Structural Change and Productivity Growth -20 Years Later. Old problems, new opportunities, 2 prepared by the secretariat,

- 1. Welcomes the comprehensive approach to development that has marked the thinking of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean since its inception, as reflected in the document Structural Change and Productivity Growth 20 Years Later. Old problems, new opportunities;
- 2. Recognizes the relevance of the issues examined and supports the general tenor of the document's conclusions;
 - 3. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to:
- (i) Conduct studies and formulate public policy and scientific and technological policy proposals, in close cooperation with policymakers, with a view to building national productive development and innovation capacities;
- (ii) Make institutional efforts, in cooperation with other relevant stakeholders, to promote regional cooperation in productive development and innovation policies;
- (iii) Identify successful public-private innovation and productive development initiatives in the region that can be applied and adapted to other national or regional contexts as best practices, taking each country's national characteristics and institutional framework into account;

¹ LC/G.2373(SES.32/9).

² LC/G.2367(SES.32/3).

- (iv) Organize, at the thirty-third session, a special meeting to assess the progress of productive development and innovation policies in the region, with special emphasis on national innovation systems;
- (v) Devote special efforts to considering the challenges faced by the countries and subregions as a result of the current global energy and food crisis and related issues by convening a meeting of Government experts in this area as soon as possible and conducting specialized studies offering technical advice and public policy options for meeting these challenges;
- 4. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to widely disseminate the document and promote its review in the economic, academic, political, business and social spheres in the region, by means of national dialogues on the main issues covered, taking each country's national characteristics into account, and in international organizations concerned with economic development, in order to continue to foster more indepth comparative analysis vis-à-vis countries outside the region.

634(XXXII) ECLAC CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES FOR THE PERIOD 2008-2010

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Recalling resolution 419(PLEN.14) of the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean on the rationalization of the institutional structure and the pattern of meetings of the system of the Commission, in which it 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 Commission's intergovernmental structure and functions, in which it was recommended that the current institutional structure should be maintained,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 40/243 on the pattern of conferences and the provision concerning the principle of rotation of the venue for the sessions of the Commission as laid down in rule 2 of its rules of procedure and reiterated in its resolution 480(XXI),

Taking into account resolution 553(XXVI) on the reform of the United Nations and its impact on the Commission, in which it was recommended that the current pattern of conferences of the Commission's system should continue to serve as a basis for maintaining the simplicity, effectiveness and flexibility of its work,

Bearing in mind the resolutions and decisions of the Economic and Social Council and of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean that establish and govern the periodicity of the meetings of subsidiary bodies of the Commission,

Having examined the proposed calendar of the Commission's intergovernmental conferences for 2008-2010 as set forth in annex 6 of the relevant document, ¹

Considering the objectives and priorities established in the subprogrammes of the work programme approved by the member States at the thirty-second session of the Commission,

- 1. *Reaffirms* the decision to maintain the current intergovernmental structure and the existing pattern of meetings and approves the calendar of conferences of the Commission as it appears in the annex to this resolution, along with the observations and suggestions included in the report of the thirty-second session of the Commission;
- 2. Reaffirms also that the Commission's current conference servicing system has been found to be efficient, both in terms of its substantive and organizational aspects and in terms of its cost-effectiveness, and recommends that these tasks continue to be the responsibility of the Executive Secretary with a view to an ongoing and sustained improvement in those services;
- 3. *Reaffirms* further the importance of continuing to entrust the Commission with the task of organizing and holding regional and subregional meetings to prepare for and follow up on world conferences of the United Nations in the economic and social fields:

¹ Proposed ECLAC calendar of conferences for the period 2008-2010. Note by the secretariat (LC/G.2374(SES.32/10)).

- 4. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to submit to the relevant United Nations bodies such proposals as may be necessary to ensure implementation of the calendar of conferences as approved;
- 5. *Calls upon* the Executive Secretary to report to the Commission at its thirty-third session on the implementation of this resolution.

	CALENDAR OF ECLA	C INTERGOVERN	Annex CALENDAR OF ECLAC INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONFERENCES FOR THE PERIOD 2008-2010	2008-2010
Year	Title	Place and date	Legislative authority	Source of funding
2008	Twentieth session of the Committee of Highlevel Government Experts (CEGAN)	ар	ECLAC resolutions 310(XIV); 419(PLEN.14); 422(XIX), para. 204; 425(XIX), 489(PLEN.19) and 553(XXVI)	ECLAC regular budget
2008	Central American Economic Cooperation Committee	a b	ECLAC resolutions 9(IV) and 553(XXVI)	ECLAC regular budget
2008	Forty-second meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean	q a	Regional Plan of Action on the Integration of Women into Latin American Economic and Social Development, para. 88.2	ECLAC regular budget
2008	International seminar on climate change and follow-up in Latin America and the Caribbean	ECLAC headquarters, Santiago, Chile ^b	ECLAC resolution 602(XXX)	Extrabudgetary resources
2008	Regional meeting of experts: agriculture, rural development, land, drought and desertification. Policy recommendations and good practices for sustainable development in Latin America and the Caribbean for the seventeenth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development	ECLAC headquarters, Santiago, Chile ^b	ECLAC resolution 602(XXX)	ECLAC regular budget
2008	Eighth meeting of the Executive Committee of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of ECLAC	Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic October	ECLAC resolution 580(XXVIII) and Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/7	ECLAC regular budget
2008	Twenty-fourth meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Council for Planning of ILPES	ар	ECLAC resolutions 351(XVI) and 553(XXVI)	Regular budgets of ILPES and ECLAC
2009	Twenty-fifth session of the Committee of the Whole of ECLAC	United Nations Headquarters New York ^b	Economic and Social Council Resolution 106(VI) (para 3); ECLAC resolutions 419(PLEN.14) and 489(PLEN.19)	Regular budget
2009	Forty-third meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean	ар	Regional Plan of Action on the Integration of Women into Latin American Economic and Social Development, para. 88.2	ECLAC regular budget
2009	Fourteenth meeting of the Monitoring Committee of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee (CDCC)	ab	ECLAC resolution 358(XVI); 419(PLEN.19); 489(PLEN.19); and 553(XXVI)	ECLAC regular budget
2009	Forty-fourth meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean	ECLAC headquarters, Santiago, Chile ^a	Regional Plan of Action on the Integration of Women into Latin American Economic and Social Development, para. 88.2	ECLAC regular budget

Year	Title	Place and date	Legislative authority	Source of funding
2009	Twenty-first meeting of the Committee of Highlevel Government Experts (CEGAN)	ab	ECLAC resolutions 310(XIV); 419(PLEN.14); 422(XIX), para 204; 425(XIX), 489(PLEN.19) and 553(XXVI)	ECLAC regular budget
2009	Ninth meeting of the Executive Committee of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of ECLAC	qe	ECLAC resolutions 580(XXVIII) and Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/7	ECLAC regular budget
2009	Fifth meeting of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of ECLAC	ECLAC headquarters Santiago, Chile ^b	Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/7	ECLAC regular budget
2009	Twenty-fifth meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Council for Planning of ILPES	ар	ECLAC resolution 351(XVI) and 553(XXVI)	Regular budget of ILPES and ECLAC
2009	Forum on the implementation at the regional level of the decisions adopted at the World Summit on Sustainable Development	ECLAC headquarters, Santiago, Chile	ECLAC resolution 602(XXX)	ECLAC regular budget
2010	Twenty-third session of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee (CDCC)	ар	ECLAC resolutions 358(XVI); 419(PLEN.14); 489(PLEN.19) and 553(XXVI)	ECLAC regular budget
2010	Eleventh session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean	Brasilia, Brazil June ab	Decision of 21 November 1977, eleventh special session of the Committee of the Whole	ECLAC regular budget
2010	Regional evaluation meeting on the Regional Plan of Action for the Information Society in Latin America and the Caribbean, eLAC 2010	Lima, Peru ^b	ECLAC resolution 610(XXX)	Extrabudgetary resources
2010	Central American Economic Cooperation Committee	аb	ECLAC resolutions 9(IV) and 553(XXVI)	ECLAC regular budget
2010	Tenth meeting of the Executive Committee of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of ECLAC	ар	Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/7	Regular budget of ILPES and ECLAC
2010	Twenty-sixth meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Council for Planning of ILPES	аb	ECLAC resolutions 351(XVI) and 553(XXVI)	ECLAC regular budget
2010	Twenty-third session of the Committee of Highlevel Government Experts (CEGAN)	аb	ECLAC resolutions 310(XIV); 419(PLEN.14); 422(XIX), para. 204; 425(XIX), 489(PLEN.19) and 553(XXVI)	ECLAC regular budget
2010	Thirty-third session of ECLAC	ab	Economic and Social Council resolution 106(VI)	ECLAC regular budget

635(XXXII) PRIORITIES AND PROGRAMME OF WORK OF THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR THE 2010-2011 BIENNIUM

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 of the United Nations concerning the preparation and consideration of the programmes of work of all the bodies of the system and General Assembly resolution 59/265 and Economic and Social Council decision 1984/101 regarding recurrent publications of the United Nations,

Bearing in mind also the Millennium Declaration, adopted by the United Nations General Assembly at its fifty-fifth session,¹ the assessment of progress and pending tasks as identified by the secretariat of the Commission to facilitate its implementation in the region² and the 2005 World Summit Outcome,³

Taking into account the proposed strategic framework for the period 2010-2011,⁴ which will be duly reviewed by the General Assembly at it sixty-third session,

Having considered the proposed work priorities for the Commission as set out by the Executive Secretary in his introduction to the draft programme of work of the system of the Commission for the 2010-2011 biennium, which updates and reinforces the priorities endorsed by the Commission at its preceding session,

Having considered also all aspects of the draft programme of work for the system of the Commission for the 2010-2011 biennium, which includes the Latin American and Caribbean Institute for Economic and Social Planning and in which the results-based programming and management approach is deepened and enhanced,

1. Endorses the proposed priorities for the work of the Commission for the 2010-2011 biennium as set forth by the Executive Secretary, which encompass the consolidation of the advances achieved in the area of macroeconomic stability and the subsequent promotion of policies to reduce vulnerability, an increase in the region's production potential and a reduction in productivity gaps, an improvement in the region's position in the international economy and the promotion of long-term production development strategies involving appropriate forms of public- and private-sector cooperation and participation, the promotion of a broad social agreement to strengthen social cohesion, to reduce social risks and to strengthen gender mainstreaming in public policies, the refinement of sustainable development policies and an examination of the socio-economic implications of climate change, the strengthening of public management, and the improvement and consolidation of institutions relating to the management of global issues at the regional level;

¹ See General Assembly resolution 55/2.

² See The Millennium Development Goals: a Latin American and Caribbean perspective (LC/G.2231-P), Santiago, Chile, June 2005; Millennium Development Goals 2006: a look at gender equality and empowerment of women in Latin America and the Caribbean (LC/G.2352-P), December 2007; Objetivos de desarrollo del Milenio. La progresión hacia el derecho a la salud en América Latina y el Caribe (LC/G.2634), May 2008.

See General Assembly resolution 60/1 of 24 October 2005.

⁴ A/63/6 (Prog. 17).

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- 2. *Urges* the Executive Secretary to make a special effort to examine the challenges faced by the region in connection with the current global energy and food crisis and related issues by undertaking specialized studies that will permit the provision of technical advisory services and the formulation of public policy options for dealing with such challenges;
- 3. Approves the programme of work for the system of the Commission for the 2010-2011 biennium,⁵ which includes the Latin American and Caribbean Institute for Economic and Social Planning, and which, with the guidance provided by the resolutions adopted at the thirty-second session of the Commission, shall become the legislative mandate for the execution of programmes, projects and technical cooperation activities and for the production of recurrent publications identified therein;
- 4. *Notes* that the allocation of the necessary resources for implementing the activities described in the programme of work should be submitted to the relevant United Nations bodies for their consideration before it is carried out;
- 5. *Encourages* the Executive Secretary to continue the practice of convening the Committee of the Whole in the intervals between the sessions of the Commission in order to strengthen and broaden the dialogue between member States and the secretariat on issues deemed to be relevant;
- 6. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to report on the progress made in implementing this resolution at the thirty-third session of the Commission.

⁵ Draft programme of work of the ECLAC system, 2010-2011 (LC/G.2373 (SES.32/9)).

636(XXXII) SUPPORT FOR THE WORK OF THE LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN INSTITUTE FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PLANNING

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Recalling its resolution 340(AC.66) of 25 January 1974, in which it directed that the Latin American and Caribbean Institute for Economic and Social Planning should become a permanent institution of the Commission, with its own identity and with direct responsibility to the Executive Secretary of the Commission,

Taking into account that the Regional Council for Planning of the Latin American and Caribbean Institute for Economic and Social Planning held its thirteenth meeting in Brasilia, Brazil, on 27 June 2007,

Reiterating its recognition to the Governments of the States members of the Regional Council for Planning and its Presiding Officers for the valuable support they provide to the Latin American and Caribbean Institute for Economic and Social Planning in terms of both guidance and regular financing,

- 1. *Takes note* of the resolutions adopted at the thirteenth meeting of the Regional Council for Planning of the Institute;¹
- 2. *Expresses* to the Governments of the States members of the Regional Council for Planning its appreciation for their contributions to the regular system of Government funding, which provides financing for a large share of the Institute's activities and inputs;
- 3. *Expresses* its satisfaction with the support provided by the Office of the Executive Secretary of the Commission for the activities of the Institute and requests the Executive Secretary to continue to support its work with human and financial resources so that it may conduct its activities effectively;
- 4. *Reiterates* the recommendation that the Institute should strengthen its capacity as the body responsible for training within the system of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean and should broaden the activities it conducts in that area in collaboration with the subregional headquarters, divisions of the Commission and other international institutions.

Thirteenth meeting of the Regional Council for Planning, Brasilia, Brazil, 27 June 2007 [online] http://www.cepal.org/ilpes/noticias/5/28195/2007-579_Resolutions_XIII_RCP_BRASILIA_ILPES_translated_vf_v1.pdf.

637(XXXII) FOLLOW-UP TO THE PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE INFORMATION SOCIETY IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Recalling the principles and objectives set out in the Declaration of Principles and the Plan of Action adopted during the first phase of the World Summit on the Information Society, held in Geneva in December 2003, and in the Tunis Commitment and Tunis Agenda for the Information Society, adopted during the second phase of the World Summit on the Information Society, held in Tunis in November 2005, with a view to contributing to the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals by 2015 at the latest and to the promotion of social, economic and cultural development,

Recalling also the principles and objectives set forth in the Bávaro Declaration, adopted in the Dominican Republic in January 2003, and in the Rio de Janeiro Commitment and the Plan of Action for the Information Society in Latin America and the Caribbean (eLAC 2007), adopted at the Regional Preparatory Ministerial Conference of Latin America and the Caribbean for the second phase of the World Summit on the Information Society, held in Rio de Janeiro in June 2005, as well as in the San Salvador Commitment and the Plan of Action for the Information Society in Latin America and the Caribbean (eLAC 2010), adopted at the Second Ministerial Conference on the Information Society in Latin America and the Caribbean, held in San Salvador in February 2008,

Recognizing the support function performed by the United Nations regional commissions in the implementation of the Plan of Action adopted in Geneva, especially as regards the contribution made by Governments and stakeholders to the promotion of information and communication technologies for development and as regards international and regional cooperation and the creation of an enabling environment,

Recalling resolutions 610(XXX) and 629(XXXI) of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, adopted at its thirtieth and thirty-first sessions, respectively,

Recognizing the substantive contribution made by the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean in supporting the countries of the region in both phases of the World Summit on the Information Society and in building the information society in the region since 2000, including the valuable technical support provided for the Second Ministerial Conference on the Information Society in Latin America and the Caribbean, held in San Salvador in February 2008,

Recalling paragraph 101 of the Tunis Agenda for the Information Society, which states that the United Nations regional commissions may, in response to requests made by Member States and within approved budgetary resources, organize follow-up activities to the World Summit on the Information Society at appropriate intervals in collaboration with regional and subregional organizations, as well as furnishing Member States with technical and other information for the design of regional strategies and the implementation of the agreements reached at regional conferences,

Recognizing that the year 2015 is the date set for meeting the global targets of the Plan of Action for the first phase of the World Summit on the Information Society and that the implementation of the Plan of Action for the Information Society in Latin America and the Caribbean (eLAC2010) is a second step towards their attainment,

Welcoming the offer made by the Government of Peru to host a meeting to evaluate eLAC2010 in 2010,

Taking into account the need to promote a Latin American and Caribbean vision of the information society,

Requests the secretariat, within available resources, to:

- (i) Provide support to the countries of the region, especially in the formulation of national strategies, for the fulfilment of the goals of the Plan of Action for the Information Society in Latin America and the Caribbean (eLAC2010), which are derived directly from the commitments undertaken at the World Summit on the Information Society, by furnishing technical cooperation, carrying out studies and collaborating in the organization of meetings to the extent of its capabilities and competence;
- (ii) Provide technical support for the eLAC2010 Regional Follow-up Mechanism through studies, statistics and substantive reports on the information society and associated public policies, the preparation of newsletters, the maintenance and expansion of a collaborative virtual forum and its cooperation in organizing technical meetings, the conference to be held to evaluate eLAC2010 and its preparatory process;
- (iii) Provide technical support to the Presiding Officers of the eLAC2010 Regional Follow-up Mechanism so that synergies may be sought with initiatives of international agencies that may contribute to the achievement of the goals set out in eLAC2010, which shall consult with Member States regarding any such initiatives, and
- (iv) Provide technical support for the organization of the forthcoming Ministerial Conference on the Information Society in Latin America and the Caribbean to be held in Peru.

638(XXXII) STATISTICAL CONFERENCE OF THE AMERICAS OF THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Recalling resolution 2000/7 of the United Nations Economic and Social Council, whereby the Council approved the establishment of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean as a subsidiary body of the Commission,

Bearing in mind Economic and Social Council resolution 2006/6 on strengthening statistical capacity,

Bearing in mind also that the objectives of the Statistical Conference of the Americas include the preparation of a biennial programme of regional and international cooperation activities to meet the demands of the countries of the region, subject to the availability of resources,

Taking into account that, in its capacity as a subsidiary body of the Commission, the Statistical Conference of the Americas held its fourth meeting in Santiago, Chile, from 25 to 27 July 2007, and on that occasion adopted a strategic plan for 2005-2015, together with a biennial programme of regional and international cooperation activities, 2007-2009, ¹

Taking into account also that the Executive Committee of the Statistical Conference of the Americas has held two meetings since the last session of the Commission: the sixth meeting, held in Madrid on 25 and 26 September 2006, and the seventh meeting, held in Bogotá on 29 and 30 November 2007,²

Bearing in mind that, on those occasions, a number of agreements were adopted which are reflected in the respective reports,

- 1. *Takes note* of the report of the fourth meeting of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean and the reports of the sixth and seventh meetings of its Executive Committee;
- 2. *Welcomes* the strategic plan adopted by the Conference for the period 2005-2015 as a frame of reference for the development of policies to strengthen and develop national statistical systems.

Report of the fourth meeting of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (LC/L.2795).

² Report of the sixth meeting of the Executive Committee of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (LC/L.2651); Report of the seventh meeting of the Executive Committee of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (LC/L.2870).

639(XXXII) ACTIVITIES OF THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN IN RELATION TO FOLLOW-UP TO THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OUTCOMES OF THE MAJOR UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCES AND SUMMITS IN THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND RELATED FIELDS

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Recalling the 2005 World Summit Outcome, 1

Recalling also General Assembly resolutions 60/265 and 61/16 and Economic and Social Council resolution 2006/44,

Recalling further the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields, including the development goals and objectives set out therein, and recognizing the vital role played by those conferences and summits in shaping a broad development vision and in identifying commonly agreed objectives, which have contributed to improving human life in different parts of the world,

Emphasizing the need to fully implement the global partnership for development and enhance the momentum generated by the 2005 World Summit in order to operationalize and implement, at all levels, the commitments in the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits, including the 2005 World Summit, in the economic, social and related fields,

Bearing in mind that, pursuant to the mandate contained in its resolution 625(XXXI), the secretariat coordinated the preparation, in 2006, 2007 and the first half of 2008, of the regional interagency reports Millennium Development Goals 2006: A Look at Gender Equality and Empowerment of Women in Latin America and the Caribbean and Objetivos de desarrollo del Milenio. La progresión hacia el derecho a la salud en América Latina y el Caribe² in collaboration with all the United Nations agencies, funds and programmes active in the region,

- 1. *Requests* the secretariat to continue to cooperate with the countries of the region in the implementation and follow-up of the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields, including the 2005 World Summit Outcome;
- 2. *Also requests* the secretariat to continue to coordinate the preparation of annual regional interagency reports on the progress made towards the targets on the eradication of extreme poverty and hunger in the Millennium Development Goals.

General Assembly resolution 60/1.

² LC/G.2352-P and LC/G.2364.

640(XXXII) ADMISSION OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS AS AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER OF THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Recalling that paragraph 3(a) of the terms of reference of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean states that "Any territory, or part or group thereof, may on presentation of its application to the Commission by the member responsible for the international relations of such territory, part or group of territories, be eligible for admission by the Commission as an associate member of the Commission",

Recognizing that the Cayman Islands enjoys close economic, cultural and social ties with the rest of the region and that it is committed to strengthening these links wherever possible,

Aware also that associate membership in the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean will make a considerable contribution to the effort to achieve this goal,

Welcoming the request made by the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland that the Cayman Islands should be granted associate membership in the Commission,

Decides that the Cayman Islands shall be admitted as an associate member of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean.

641(XXXII) CARIBBEAN DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION COMMITTEE

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Recalling its resolution 358(XVI) of 1975 establishing the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee as a subsidiary body of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean to coordinate activities relating to development and cooperation in that subregion,

Recognizing the important role of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee as a forum in which the Governments of the subregion can exchange information and share experiences with a view to meeting the primary challenges posed by the process of sustainable development in the economic and social fields,

Bearing in mind that, as a subsidiary body of the Commission, the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee held its twenty-second session in Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, on 22 and 23 April 2008, that the Monitoring Committee of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee held its thirteenth meeting in Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, on 23 and 24 August 2007 and that, on those occasions, they adopted a series of agreements and resolutions which appear in their respective reports, ¹

- 1. *Takes note* of the report of the twenty-second session of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee and of the thirteenth meeting of the Monitoring Committee;
- 2. Calls upon the Executive Secretary to employ all measures necessary to ensure the full implementation of the decisions and resolutions contained in the reports of the twenty-second session of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee and of the thirteenth meeting of the Monitoring Committee.

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Report of the twenty-second session of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee (LC/CAR/L.169) and Report of the thirteenth meeting of the Monitoring Committee of the CDCC (LC/CAR/L.132).

642(XXXII) SOUTH-SOUTH COOPERATION

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Considering General Assembly resolution 62/209 on South-South cooperation, in which the Assembly recognized the need to strengthen and further invigorate South-South cooperation and decided to convene a High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation on the occasion of the thirtieth anniversary of the adoption of the Buenos Aires Plan of Action for Promoting and Implementing Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries, no later than the first half of 2009,

Recalling resolution 620(XXXI) on South-South cooperation, adopted at the Commission's thirty-first session, in which the Commission reiterated the importance of such cooperation among the countries of the region and requested the Executive Secretary to take steps, in particular, to strengthen South-South cooperation in the secretariat's programme of work, especially with regard to projects financed with extrabudgetary resources,

- 1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the report on activities to support such cooperation, which notes that there has been a large increase in extrabudgetary funding for technical cooperation activities of the Commission that include a major South-South cooperation component;¹
- 2. *Urges* the Executive Secretary to continue the efforts that have yielded such positive results in terms of increasing the secretariat's provision of technical cooperation to the countries of the region;
- 3. *Requests* the secretariat, in collaboration with other regional institutions, to support the preparatory activities of the High-level Conference on the occasion of the thirtieth anniversary of the adoption of the Buenos Aires Plan of Action, in particular the envisaged regional preparatory consultation.

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Activities of the ECLAC system to promote and support South-South cooperation during the biennium 2006-2007. Note by the secretariat (LC/G.2371(SES.32/7)).

643(XXXII) PLACE OF THE NEXT SESSION

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Bearing in mind paragraph 15 of its terms of reference and rules 1 and 2 of its rules of procedure,

Considering the invitation of the Federative Republic of Brazil to host the thirty-third session of the Commission,

- 1. Expresses its gratitude to the Government of Brazil for its generous invitation;
- 2. Accepts this invitation with pleasure;
- 3. *Recommends* that the United Nations Economic and Social Council approve the decision to hold the thirty-third session in Brazil in 2010.

644(XXXII) POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT: PRIORITY ACTIVITIES FOR THE PERIOD 2008-2010

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

Recalling the Latin American and Caribbean Consensus on Population and Development adopted in Mexico City in May 1993, the Programme of Action adopted at the International Conference on Population and Development, held in Cairo in September 1994, the Latin American and Caribbean Regional Plan of Action on Population and Development of 1994, the document entitled "Latin America and the Caribbean: review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development", the report of the twenty-first special session of the General Assembly entitled "Overall review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development"; the report of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the twenty-first special session of the General Assembly entitled "Key actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development", the United Nations Millennium Declaration of September 2000, the reports of the First Regional Intergovernmental Conference on Ageing and the Second Regional Intergovernmental Conference on Ageing, 2 and the 2005 World Summit Outcome, 3

Taking into account resolutions 615(XXXI) and 616(XXXI) as adopted by the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean at its thirty-first session, held in Montevideo, Uruguay, in March 2006,

Considering the agreements reached at the seventh meeting of the Executive Committee of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, held in Bogotá, Colombia, in November 2007, as well as the conclusions reached at the Workshop on Preparatory Activities, Analysis and Exchange of Experiences for the Successful Implementation of the 2010 Round of Population and Housing Censuses, held in Panama City in September 2007,

Welcoming with satisfaction the High-Level Dialogue on International Migration and Development (September 2006) held with a view to strengthening dialogue and cooperation among countries, the outcome of the thirty-ninth session of the Commission on Population and Development and its consideration of the issue of international migration and development, the explicit guidelines on international migration set forth in the Plan of Action signed by the Heads of State and Government participating in the Second Summit of the Americas and the measures adopted within the framework of the fifteenth, sixteenth and seventeenth Ibero-American Summit of Heads of State and Government, which reflected the desire of the Heads of State and Government of the Ibero-American countries to ensure that the rights of migrant workers and their families are upheld and protected.

Taking into account the Brasilia Declaration as adopted at the Second Regional Intergovernmental Conference on Ageing: towards a society for all ages and rights-based social protection, held in Brasilia in December 2007,

¹ LC/DEM/G.184 (1999).

² LC/L.2079 and LC/L.2891(CRE.2/5).

³ General Assembly resolution 60/1.

Emphasizing that 2007 marked the fiftieth anniversary of the Latin American and Caribbean Demographic Centre - Population Division of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, which was celebrated with various commemorative activities.

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- 1. Expresses appreciation to and commends the Latin American and Caribbean Demographic Centre for having organized the technical aspects of the meeting of the sessional Ad Hoc Committee on Population and Development and for having prepared the documentation for that meeting, in particular the document Demographic transformations and their influence on development in Latin America and the Caribbean, the United Nations Population Fund for its contribution to these activities and both organizations for the support provided to the countries of the region in implementing the Programme of Action adopted in Cairo at the International Conference on Population and Development, the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing and the Regional Strategy for the Implementation in Latin America and the Caribbean of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing;
- 2. Welcomes the holding of a seminar marking the fiftieth anniversary of the Latin American and Caribbean Demographic Centre in October 2007, and expresses appreciation to the countries and the international community, in particular France and the Population Fund, for the support they provided to ensure the success of this activity;
- 3. *Underlines* the importance of the Brasilia Declaration adopted at the Second Regional Intergovernmental Conference on Ageing, expresses appreciation to the secretariat for its technical contribution to the organization of that meeting, as well as for having prepared the corresponding substantive documentation, and thanks Brazil and the Population Fund for their support for the Conference;
- 4. Reiterates the importance of improving data sources, particularly population censuses, vital statistics and specialized surveys, for the follow-up to the International Conference on Population and Development, the Fourth World Conference on Women, the United Nations Second World Assembly on Ageing and the Millennium Summit, as well as the importance of developing reliable, timely and high-quality national statistical information systems for decision-making and for the formulation, monitoring and evaluation of public policies and development programmes;
- 5. Reaffirms the agreements set forth in resolution 615(XXXI) adopted at the thirty-first session of the Commission, in which it calls upon the Governments that have not yet done so to consider signing and ratifying the legal instruments of the United Nations designed to promote and protect migrants' human rights as a means of achieving full social integration, and invites the Governments that have signed these instruments to ensure their full implementation;
- 6. *Recommends* that the secretariat move forward with the creation of an inter-agency group, to be coordinated by the Commission, that will be responsible for follow-up of issues relating to international migration and development in the region;

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⁴ LC/G.2378(SES.32/14).

- 7. Requests that the secretariat, in coordination with the organizations of the Inter-Agency Group on Ageing, continue providing technical support to the countries for the application of the Regional Strategy for the Implementation in Latin America and the Caribbean of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing and reinforce follow-up to the agreements set forth in the Brasilia Declaration, with special reference to public policy, information, research and human rights issues, and encourages the secretariat to make every effort to incorporate the regional perspective into the strategic framework for the application of the Madrid Plan of Action to be submitted to the Commission for Social Development at its forty-seventh session in February 2009;
- 8. *Requests* the secretariat to provide technical advice for the convening of meetings to follow up on the Brasilia Declaration, particularly with respect to the issue of international mechanisms to protect the rights of older persons;
- 9. *Encourages* the secretariat to continue coordinating efforts with other international and multilateral agencies to conduct activities that will benefit member countries and, in particular, notes with satisfaction the links established with the Ibero-American Secretariat;
- 10. *Urges* the Latin American and Caribbean Demographic Centre, the Women and Development Unit of the Commission and the United Nations Population Fund to furnish support for the follow-up of the countries' plans of action for attaining the Millennium Development Goals, as agreed at the 2005 World Summit;
- 11. Requests that the secretariat, in coordination with the Presiding Officers of the Ad Hoc Committee and with the support of the United Nations Population Fund, continue to give priority to the following issues as viewed from a gender perspective: the status, determinants and implications of demographic trends; population dynamics, equity and poverty; ageing; indigenous and Afrodescendent populations in Latin America; international and internal migration; human resources development in the fields of demographics and of population and development; the 2010 round of population and housing censuses; and vital statistics;
- 12. *Invites* the secretariat to organize in 2009, with the support of the United Nations Population Fund, a seminar to analyse the progress made in implementing the Programme of Action adopted in Cairo at the International Conference on Population and Development 15 years after its adoption and how it relates to the Millennium Development Goals, including universal access to sexual and reproductive health;
- 13. *Proposes* that the secretariat, in collaboration with the United Nations Population Fund, study the possibility of implementing a strategy for providing training in the field of population and development and that it conduct a regional training course on demographic analysis for development beginning in 2009 which will focus on censuses in preparation for the 2010 round;
- 14. *Requests also* that the Ad Hoc Committee report on the activities carried out in the areas mentioned in the three preceding paragraphs at its next meeting;
- 15. *Recommends* that the Ad Hoc Committee analyse the subject of population, development and health, including sexual and reproductive health, at its next regular meeting in 2010, and asks the secretariat of the Ad Hoc Committee to prepare the corresponding substantive documents in collaboration with the United Nations Population Fund;

- 16. Further requests the secretariat to consider the possibility of extending the meetings of the Ad Hoc Committee to at least two days at future sessions of the Commission;
- 17. Calls upon the countries of the region to continue making every effort to apply the key measures outlined in the Programme of Action adopted at the International Conference on Population and Development, held in Cairo, and in the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing and the accompanying Regional Strategy for its implementation in Latin America and the Caribbean, particularly within the framework of policies for reducing social and ethnic inequalities, overcoming gender inequity and eradicating poverty, and urges the international community to increase technical and financial cooperation for the achievement of these objectives.

645(XXXII) REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON WOMEN IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean,

Recalling its resolution 558(XXVI), in which it adopted the Regional Programme of Action for the Women of Latin America and the Caribbean, 1995-2001,

Taking note of provisions that emphasize the fundamental role played by the regional commissions in these areas, in particular General Assembly resolutions 50/203 of 22 December 1995, 51/69 of 12 December 1996, 52/100 of 12 December 1997, 52/231 of 4 June 1998, 53/120 of 9 December 1998, 54/142 of 17 December 1999 and 61/145 of 19 December 2006 on the follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and full implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 1997/61 on the integrated and coordinated implementation and follow-up of the major United Nations conferences and summits,

Taking into account that, since the preceding session of the Commission, the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean, in its capacity as a subsidiary body of the Commission, has held its tenth session, which took place in Quito from 6 to 9 August 2007,

Bearing in mind the fact that, on that occasion, the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean adopted the Quito Consensus,¹

Taking into account that, since the preceding session of the Commission, the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean, in its capacity as a subsidiary body of the Commission, has held three meetings of its Presiding Officers: the thirty-ninth meeting, held in Mexico City on 11 and 12 May 2006; the fortieth meeting, held in Santiago, Chile, on 3 and 4 October 2006; and the forty-first meeting, held in Bogotá on 24 and 25 April 2008,

Bearing in mind that the participants at those meetings adopted a number of agreements that were reflected in the respective reports, ²

1. *Takes note* of the report of the tenth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean and the reports of the thirty-ninth, fortieth and forty-first meetings of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean;

Report of the tenth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean (LC/G.2361(CRM.10/8)).

Report of the thirty-ninth meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean (LC/L.2599); Report of the fortieth meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean (LC/L.2695); Draft report of the forty-first meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean.

- 2. *Underlines* the importance of the Quito Consensus as adopted by the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean at its tenth session;
- 3. *Commends* the Executive Secretary for having successfully completed the necessary procedures at United Nations Headquarters to convert the Women and Development Unit into a Division of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean.

Annex 1

REPORT OF THE ECLAC SESSIONAL AD HOC COMMITTEE ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT

1. The ECLAC sessional Ad Hoc Committee on Population and Development met on 12 June 2008. The following countries served as presiding officers:

<u>Chairperson:</u> Mexico <u>Vice-Chairpersons:</u> Argentina

Ecuador Jamaica Panama

Rapporteur: Cuba

- 2. The Ad Hoc Committee adopted the following agenda without amendment:
 - 1. Election of officers
 - 2. Adoption of the provisional agenda
 - 3. Report of the Chair of the Presiding Officers of the ECLAC sessional Ad Hoc Committee on Population and Development
 - 4. Follow-up to progress in the areas of human rights and development as part of the implementation of resolution 615(XXXI) on international migration
 - 5. Results of the first review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing
 - 6. Presentation and analysis of the document "Demographic transformations and their influence on development in Latin America and the Caribbean"
 - 7. Country activities relating to the follow-up of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the Regional Strategy for the Implementation in Latin America and the Caribbean of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing
 - 8. Other matters
 - 9. Conclusions
- 3. The Executive Secretary of ECLAC drew attention to the work of the Latin American and Caribbean Demographic Centre (CELADE)—Population Division of ECLAC in the areas of international migration, ageing, indigenous peoples and Afro-descendent populations, and said that the Centre had also made valuable contributions in terms of monitoring progress towards achievement of the Millennium Development Goals and producing studies on youth. Referring to the opportunities afforded by the demographic dividend and its economic impact on education, health and pensions, he said that countries should redouble their efforts to achieve structural change and productivity growth, create jobs and expand the coverage of social protection. Lastly, it was important to reflect upon the demographic perspective and to take it into account in development planning and public policymaking.
- 4. The Director of the Division for Latin America and the Caribbean of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) said that a more resolute commitment was needed from the countries in order to take advantage of the demographic dividend and ensure income redistribution. She recalled the joint

activities that had been carried out in recent years with ECLAC, in particular with CELADE, the Division for Gender Affairs and the Social Development Division.

- 5. The outgoing Chairperson of the ECLAC sessional Ad Hoc Committee on Population and Development outlined the main activities carried out by the Presiding Officers pursuant to resolution 615(XXXI) on international migration and resolution 616(XXXI) on priority activities in the area of population and development. He said that, in compliance with the latter resolution, representatives of the Presiding Officers had participated in the international seminar marking the fiftieth anniversary of CELADE, held in Santiago, Chile, in October 2007 and in the Second Regional Intergovernmental Conference on Ageing in Latin America and the Caribbean in Brasilia in December 2007.
- 6. He also invited the Commission to continue to promote the formation of an inter-agency group to be responsible for follow-up of issues relating to international migration and emphasized the need to train human resources in demography, population and development.
- 7. The Director of the Latin American and Caribbean Demographic Centre (CELADE)—Population Division of ECLAC presented the report on activities conducted in the period 2006-2008 and highlighted progress made in measuring and analysing social and demographic inequality and in following up progress towards achievement of the Millennium Development Goals. He also drew attention to activities carried out in relation to indigenous peoples and Afro-descendent populations, as well as work on international and internal migration, ageing, spatial distribution of the population and the 2010 round of censuses. He underlined the efforts made by the Division to broaden training in processing and analysing socio-demographic information based on population and housing censuses, vital statistics, household surveys and other sources of data, using the REDATAM software.
- 8. He also described the activities carried out to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of CELADE and efforts made to anticipate future population scenarios. He invited the delegations to review carefully the reference document on activities regarding indigenous peoples and Afro-descendent populations, on which subjects CELADE had made significant contributions in the last biennium. Lastly, he emphasized the collaboration that had been established with other international agencies, such as the United Nations Population Fund and the Ibero-American Secretariat.
- 9. The Director of the Division for Latin America and the Caribbean of the United Nations Population Fund spoke again to report on activities carried out by the Fund during the 2006-2007 biennium in the areas of population and development, reproductive health and rights, gender equality, youth as bearers of rights and indigenous peoples and Afro-descendent populations.
- 10. She analysed the existing challenges, particularly the need to work on deepening the interpretation and implementation of the population and development agenda from a human-rights perspective, raise awareness of the population agenda's contribution to achieving internationally agreed development objectives, strengthen coordination between the population agenda and efforts to advance women's rights and broaden the platform of social and political actors, while strengthening the strategic alliances that had already been formed. She then presented the regional programme on population and development in Latin America and the Caribbean, 2008-2011 and its objectives in different areas.
- 11. A representative of CELADE gave a presentation on the follow-up of progress made in the areas of human rights and development regarding the implementation of resolution 615(XXXI) on international migration. In the last biennium the secretariat had carried out studies on the regional migratory map, the links between emigrants and their countries of origin and on migratory information in censuses. It had

also carried out the project on Migration and development: the case of Latin America, financed by the Inter-American Development Bank; provided support for international meetings and participated actively in meetings on international migration.

- 12. Regarding inter-agency cooperation, the representative of CELADE reported that the secretariat had begun preparations for the creation of an inter-agency group, coordinated by ECLAC, that would be responsible for follow-up of issues relating to international migration. There was a particularly fruitful relationship with the Ibero-American Secretariat, with which the secretariat had organized the Ibero-American Encounter on International Migration and Development, whose debates had served as an input for the sixteenth Ibero-American Summit of Heads of State and Government. He gave an account of the secretariat's contributions to the preparation of technical materials and organization of the Ibero-American Forum on Migration and Development (Ecuador, April 2008). It was also of note that the representatives present at the seventeenth Ibero-American Summit (Santiago, Chile, 2007) had approved the Ibero-American Multilateral Agreement on Social Security; on that occasion ECLAC had presented a study on the number of possible direct and indirect beneficiaries of such an agreement.
- 13. Lastly, in the biennium 2008-2009 the secretariat would continue to provide technical assistance for the member countries, would publish a book based on the document presented at the 2006 meeting of the Committee and would carry out a global project on international migration to be financed by the United Nations Development Account.
- 14. The secretariat then reported on the outcomes of the first cycle of review and evaluation of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, indicating, first, that at this time the magnitude of ageing in the region appeared reasonable but did not truly reflect the dimensions of the situation that was approaching for the coming 40 years.
- 15. The representative of the secretariat referred to measures that the countries of the region had taken in view of the recommendations of the Regional Strategy for the Implementation in Latin America and the Caribbean of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, and the technical support activities carried out by the secretariat in the areas of inter-agency coordination, information, research and public policies. He then reported on the outcomes of the Second Regional Intergovernmental Conference on Ageing in Latin America and the Caribbean: towards a society for all ages and rights-based social protection, which had been held in Brasilia (Brazil) from 4 to 6 December 2007 and whose main outcome had been the approval of the Brasilia Declaration.
- 16. He identified the main agreements contained in the Declaration as regards implementation and follow-up. In regard to the latter point, the countries had attributed importance to research and to the incorporation of ageing in follow-up to the Millennium Development Goals and in mechanisms to protect the human rights of older persons, which were issues that had been highlighted at the forty-sixth session of the Commission for Social Development. Lastly, the representative reaffirmed the secretariat's commitment to support the countries in the implementation of the regional strategy on ageing and the Brasilia Declaration.
- 17. The Director of the Latin American and Caribbean Demographic Centre (CELADE)—Population Division of ECLAC presented the working document "Demographic transformations and their influence on development in Latin America and the Caribbean" and addressed three aspects: demographic trends and how they were likely to develop in the future in the region; changes in the dependency ratio and opportunities arising from the demographic dividend; and the sectoral impacts of demographic changes and the situation of specific population groups.

- 18. The Director began with an overview of the current demographic situation in the region. The countries were classified into different stages of demographic transition according to their fertility and life expectancy rates. The situation varied considerably across the region and notable reductions were projected in both birth and mortality rates, which would have a major impact on the age structure of populations. One notable feature of the demographic transition process under way was the rising proportion of the older adult population and the decline of the young population. Prior to the intensification of the ageing process, however, there was a period in which the proportion of people of potentially productive ages in the population would increase in relation to those of potentially inactive ages. This period was known as the "demographic dividend" or the "demographic window of opportunity" and created a particularly favourable situation for development because it increased the possibilities of saving and of investing in economic growth. Macroeconomic policies that promoted sustainable development would need to de designed and implemented to take advantage of this situation.
- 19. Demographic changes were posing major policy challenges in certain sectors in the countries of the region. Regarding education, the long-term decline in fertility would significantly reduce the ratio between the school-age and the working-age populations, which would free up financial resources that could be invested in improvements in the quality of the sector. In relation to health care, the changes in the dependency ratio would have a more beneficial impact in countries in the initial stages of transition, while the ageing of the population in some countries was expected to place tremendous strain on pay-as-you-go pension systems in the future.
- 20. In closing, the speaker pointed out that population issues should be examined within the broader context of human rights and poverty reduction and highlighted the situation of three particularly vulnerable groups: the elderly, women and indigenous peoples. It was essential to move forward in developing mechanisms to ensure their full participation in development and its benefits.
- 21. In the ensuing discussion, delegations congratulated the secretariat for the quality and relevance of the study and commented on the demographic situation in their countries in relation to the issues raised in the presentation. One delegation stated that although the increasing proportion of women engaging in work outside the home was a positive development, it had lowered fertility rates, and specific policies were needed to address the issue.
- 22. During the discussion of the follow-up of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the Regional Strategy for the Implementation in Latin America and the Caribbean of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, delegations stressed the importance of preparing for the 2010 census round and raised specific issues related to international migration and policies for the elderly in their respective countries.
- 23. With regard to international migration, one delegation suggested that CELADE should perform a technical analysis of the public policies implemented to counteract the negative effects of migration in countries of origin. New methods were needed to measure the economic capacity of households more precisely and to capture "invisible" migration in population data.
- 24. Some countries reported that as far as policies targeting the elderly were concerned, education, skills and job training programmes had been implemented for older persons with a view to improving their income. The programmes put in place included initiatives to improve intergenerational relations. In order to ensure well-being in old age, State intervention was necessary during the whole life cycle, including programmes on early childhood education, youth employment and equitable access to health care.

- 25. Some delegations stressed the importance of promoting the drafting of a convention on the human rights of older persons within the framework of the United Nations.
- 26. The conclusions of the meeting of the sessional Ad Hoc Committee on Population and Development are reflected in resolution 644(XXXII) on population and development: priority activities for the period 2008-2010.

Annex 2

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SOUTH-SOUTH COOPERATION

1. The Committee on South-South Cooperation met as scheduled on 13 June 2008 during the thirty-second session of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC). The following countries were appointed to serve as presiding officers of the Committee:

<u>Chairperson:</u> Paraguay <u>Vice-Chairpersons:</u> Barbados Mexico

Ecuador

- 2. The Committee adopted the following agenda:
 - 1. Election of officers

Rapporteur:

- 2. Adoption of the agenda
- 3. Report on the activities carried out within the ECLAC system to promote and support South-South cooperation since the previous meeting of the Committee, held during the thirty-first session of the Commission
- 4. Preparations for the High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation
- 3. In relation to agenda item 3, the Chief of the Project Management Unit of the Programme Planning and Operations Division of ECLAC reported on the cooperation activities carried out by ECLAC during the biennium. He reviewed global trends in technical assistance for development and said that non-traditional sources of financing and South-South technical cooperation as an arrangement were expected to gain importance in the following years. He went on to discuss the characteristics, sources of financing, activities and specific outcomes of the technical cooperation programmes implemented by ECLAC.
- 4. During the discussions that followed, various delegations agreed that it would be appropriate to set up a bank of capabilities and needs of the countries in the region; it would thus be possible to draw on the strengths of some countries in order to overcome the weaknesses identified in the best possible way. In order to avoid duplication, it was proposed that the data held by the Ibero-American Secretariat should be supplemented with data relating to the Caribbean countries. Another issue mentioned was the need to establish a new methodology for measuring South-South cooperation. Lastly, some delegations called for greater transparency in the selection of the projects financed by countries from outside the region and for closer coordination with government focal points.
- 5. With respect to the preparations for the United Nations High-level Conference on South-South Cooperation, the participants agreed that a preparatory meeting should be held in one of the countries of the region and that the Commission had a mandate from the member States to organize such an encounter.
- 6. The representative of the Latin American School for Cooperation and Development then reported on the training activities carried out regionally; the representative of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) in the Dominican Republic described her organization's experience with horizontal and triangular cooperation in the area of health and offered the support of PAHO in organizing the preparatory meeting for the High-level Conference.
- 7. The conclusions of the meeting of the Committee on South-South Cooperation are reflected in resolution 642(XXXII).

Anexo 3

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- Roberto Mendieta Casatti, Director Nacional de Asesoría Económica y Financiera, Contraloría General de la República
- Heraldo Ríos Castillo, Asesor Económico y Financiero, Contraloría General de la República
- Enoht González, Director, Departamento Relaciones Económicas Multilaterales, Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores
- Pedro Mora, Director de Políticas Públicas, Ministerio de Economía y Finanzas
- Dimas Quiel, Director, Estadística y Censos, Contraloría General de la República
- Eduardo Palacios, Jefe de Sección, Ingreso Nacional, Dirección de Estadística y Censos, Contraloría General de la República
- Víctor Lee, Segundo Consejero, Embajada de Panamá en República Dominicana
- Lourdes Wong, Agregada Comercial, Embajada de Panamá en República Dominicana
- Lamed Mendoza, Asesora de la Ministra de Estado en Asuntos relacionados con la conservación del medio ambiente
- Mónica Romero, Jefa del Departamento de Investigación y Análisis Social, Ministerio de Desarrollo Social

PARAGUAY

Representante/Representative:

- Derlis Alcides Céspedes Aguilera, Ministro, Secretaría Técnica de Planificación del Desarrollo Económico y Social

Miembros de la delegación/Delegation members:

- Luis Roberto Amarilla Luraschi, Director General de Cooperación Técnica Internacional, Secretaría Técnica de Planificación del Desarrollo Económico y Social
- Víctor Antonio Páez, Director General de Planificación y Políticas Públicas, Secretaría Técnica de Planificación y Desarrollo Económico y Social
- Juan Carlos Balbuena Martínez, Técnico, Secretaría Técnica de Planificación del Desarrollo Económico y Social
- Eduardo José Feschenko Gilardoni, Director del Departamento de Economía Internacional, Banco Central
- Clara Scaroina de Porcella, Cónsul Honorario en República Dominicana

PERÚ/PERU

Representante/Representative:

- Carlos Ferraro Rey, Viceministro de Industria, Ministerio de la Producción

- Vicente Azula de la Guerra, Embajador del Perú en República Dominicana
- Javier Prado Miranda, Director de OMC, Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores
- Marco Hinojosa, Primer Secretario, Embajada del Perú en República Dominicana

REINO DE LOS PAÍSES BAJOS/THE KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS

Representante/Representative:

- Aart Jan M. Verdegaal, Embajador en República Dominicana

REINO UNIDO DE GRAN BRETAÑA E IRLANDA DEL NORTE/UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND

Representante/Representative:

- Leonora Dipp, Agregada Comercial, Embajada Británica en República Dominicana

REPÚBLICA BOLIVARIANA DE VENEZUELA/BOLIVARIAN REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA

Representante/Representative:

- Francisco Belisario Landis, Embajador de República Bolivariana de Venezuela en República Dominicana

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- Sandra Rodríguez, Primera Secretaria, Embajada de Venezuela en República Dominicana
- Keliams Chang, Segundo Secretario, Embajada de Venezuela en República Dominicana
- Jorge Arturo Reyes, Asesor, Ministerio del Poder Popular para Relaciones Exteriores
- Pedro Albarrán, Coordinador de Asuntos Políticos, Ministerio del Poder Popular para Relaciones Exteriores
- Alba Carosio, Centro Estadístico de la Mujer, Universidad Central de Venezuela (UCV)
- Franklin Rangel, Primer Secretario, Misión Permanente de Venezuela ante las Naciones Unidas

REPÚBLICA DE COREA/REPUBLIC OF KOREA

Representative:

- Kim Sung Hwan, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade

- Kang Sung-zu, Ambassador to the Dominican Republic
- Doo Jungsoo, Director General, Latin America and Caribbean Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- Jang Jessy Yeunju, Director of Latin America and Caribbean Regional Cooperation Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- Hong SeokIn, Advisor of the Vice Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- Park Younghyo, Counsellor, Embassy of the Republic of Korea in Dominican Republic
- Hwang Yoo Sil, Second Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- Hong Sang Hee, Second Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- Kim Su Jin, Third Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- Song JaeWoo, Third Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- Shim Hyun Suk, Senior Manager, Small Business Cooperation
- Kim Seon Hwi, Researcher, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- Kim SooJi, Intern, Embassy of the Republic of Korea in Dominican Republic

REPÚBLICA DOMINICANA/DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Representante/Representative:

- Juan Temístocles Montás, Secretario de Estado de Economía, Planificación y Desarrollo

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- Alejandra Liriano, Subsecretaria de Estado de Relaciones Exteriores, República Dominicana
- Flavia García, Secretaria de Estado de la Mujer
- Sonia Díaz, Subsecretaria de Estado de la Mujer
- Pablo Tactuk, Director Nacional de la Secretaría de Estado de Economía, Planificación y Desarrollo, Oficina Nacional de Estadística
 - Aníbal Julio Tavera, Subsecretario de Estado Técnico Administrativo, Secretaría de Estado de Economía, Planificación y Desarrollo
- América Bastidas Castañeda, Subsecretaria Cooperación Internacional, Secretaría de Estado de Economía, Planificación y Desarrollo
- Mercedes Magdalena Lizardo, Directora Unidad Asesora de Análisis Económico y Social (UAAES)
- Nurys Presbot Aquino, Directora Unidad Institucional de Planificación y Desarrollo
- Rhaysa Martínez Durán, Directora General Centro de Capacitación en Inversión Pública
- Inocencio García, Director General de Cooeración Bilateral
- Rosalina Inoa, Directora General de Cooperación Multilateral
- Mercedes Conchita Cabral de Alcalá, Vicecanciller para Asuntos Culturales, Secretaría de Estado de Relaciones Exteriores
- Roberto Liz, Secretario General Fondo de Investigación Económico y Social (FIES)
- Rosagilda Vélez, Directora General de Desarrollo Económico y Social
- Alejandro Mercedes, Director General de Inversión Pública
- Mónica Sánchez, Directora General de Ordenamiento y Desarrollo Territorial
- Hepzy Zorrilla, Directora Unidad Coordinadora del Despacho, Secretaría de Estado de Economía, Planificación y Desarrollo
- Raysa Facundo, Directora Administrativa, Secretaría de Estado de Economía, Planificación y Desarrollo
- Salvador Guzmán, Director de Tecnología de la Información
- Jacqueline Cambero, Directora de Recursos Humanos
- Manolo Caba Núñez, Director Financiero, Secretaría de Estado de Economía, Planificación y Desarrollo
- Silvano A. Guzmán, Director de Control Interno
- Jesús Manuel Jiménez, Director de Comunicación
- Francisco Cáceres, Gerente de Censos y Encuestas de la Secretaría de Estado de Economía, Planificación y Desarrollo, Oficina Nacional de Estadística
- Leticia Martínez, Gerente de Estadísticas Continuas de la Secretaria de Estado de Economía, Planificación y Desarrollo, Oficina Nacional de Estadística
- Clara Báez, Gerente de Coordinación Técnica, Oficina Nacional de Estadística
- Darío López, Encargado del Departamento de Censos, Secretaría de Estado de Economía, Planificación y Desarrollo, Oficina Nacional de Estadística
- Luis Baldemiro Reyes Santos, Asesor Económico
- Francis A. Reyes Pineda, Asesor Tecnología de Información y Comunicación
- Jefrey Lizardo, Director General de Desarrollo Económico y Social
- Magin Javier Díaz Domingo, Asesor Económico

- Maira Espinal Montilla, Asesora en Desarrollo Organizacional y Recursos Humanos, Secretaría de Estado de Economía, Planificación y Desarrollo
- Rodrigo Jaque García, Asesor
- Roberto Liz, Director Ejecutivo del Fondo de Investigación Económico y Social (FIES)
- Miguel Hernández, Encargado, Oficina Sectorial de Programación
- Andrés Lora, Director, Unidad de Análisis de Proyectos y Programas (UAPP)
- Dolores Escovar, Consultora, Secretaría de Estado de Economía, Planificación y Desarrollo
- Ivette Subero, Coordinadora Negociaciones, Secretaría de Economía, Planificación y Desarrollo
- María E.Vilorio, Unidad de Coordinación de Organismos Multilaterales, Subsecretaría de Estado de Planificación.
- Persio Henríquez, Subsecretaria de Planificación
- Luisa Fernández, Directora Ejecutiva del Consejo Nacional de Zonas Francas de Exportación
- Andrea Bavestrello, Comunicaciones, Secretaría de Estado de Economía, Planificación y Desarrollo
- Lorenzo Guadamuz, Asesor Técnico Principal, Ministerio de Educación Superior
- Carmen Pérez, Directora de Políticas Públicas, Secretaría de Estado de la Mujer
- Nathalie María, Directora, Consejo Nacional de la Persona Envejeciente

SANTA LUCÍA/SAINT LUCIA

Representante/Representative:

- Donatus St. Aimée, Ambassador, Permanent Mission of Saint Lucia to the United Nations

Miembros de la delegación/Delegation members:

- Carlyle Corbin, Advisor

SURINAME

Representante/Representative:

- Terry H. Shameen, Government Official, Ministry of Foreign Affairs,

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- Mireille E. M. Brunings-Stolz, Policy Advisor, Ministry of Home Affairs

TRINIDAD Y TABAGO/TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Representante/Representative:

- Shelley-Ann Clarke-Hinds, Deputy Director, Multilateral Relations Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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- Beverly Quamina, Economist II, Ministry of Finance

URUGUAY

Representante/Representative:

- Alberto Fajardo, Embajador, Director de Integración del Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores

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- Humberto Giachello, Coordinador Psicología, Área de Prestaciones Sociales, Banco de Previsión Social
- Juan Manuel Rodríguez Bas, Asesor del Director de la Oficina de Planeamiento y Presupuesto de la Presidencia

B. Miembros asociados Associate members États membres associés

ANTILLAS NEERLANDESAS/NETHERLANDS ANTILLES

Representante/Representative:

- Edward J. Mendes de Gouveia, Director, Office of Foreign Relations

Miembros de la delegación/Delegation members:

- Ann Groot-Philipps, Staff Member, Office of Foreign Relations
- Gedion L. Isena, Staff Member, Office of Foreign Relations
- Gilbert Justiana, Policy Advisor, Directorate of Economic Affairs

ISLAS TURCAS Y CAICOS/TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS

Representante/Representative:

- Michael Misil, Premier

Miembros de la delegación/Delegation members:

- Olincia Misick, Chief of Staff
- Arabella Smith, Senior Policy Advisor

PUERTO RICO

Representante/Representative:

- Zamia Baerga, Secretaria para Asuntos Exteriores, Departamento de Estado

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- Marta Mercado, Procuradora de la Mujer

C. Secretaría de la Organización de las Naciones Unidas United Nations Secretariat Secrétariat de l'Organisation des Nations Unies

Oficina de las Comisiones Regionales en Nueva York/Regional Commissions New York Office/Bureau Commissions Regionales à New York

- Amr Nour, Oficial a cargo/Officer- in-Charge

Departamento de Asuntos Políticos/Department of Political Affairs/Département des affaires politiques

- Elizabeth Spehar, Directora, División de América y de Europa/Director, Americas and Europe Division

Departamento de Asuntos Económicos y Sociales/Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)/ Département des Affaires économiques et sociales

- Oscar de Rojas, Director, Oficina de Financiación para el Desarrollo/Director, Financing for Development Office/Bureau du financement du développement
- Ricardo Espina, Oficial de Asuntos Económicos/Economic Affairs Officer

D. Invitados especiales Special guests Invités spéciaux

- Leonel Fernández, Presidente, República Dominicana
- Rafael Alburquerque, Vicepresidente, República Dominicana

E. Organismos de las Naciones Unidas United Nations bodies Organisations rattachées à l'Organisation des Nations Unies

Fondo de las Naciones Unidas para la Infancia (UNICEF)/United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)/Fonds de développement des Nations Unies pour l'enfance (UNICEF)

- Jean Gough, Directora Regional Adjunta en Panamá/ Deputy Regional Director, Panama
- Tadeusz Palac, Representante en República Dominicana/Representative, Dominican Republic

Fondo de Población de las Naciones Unidas (UNFPA)/United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)/Fonds des Nations Unies pour la Population (FNUAP)

- Marcela Suazo, Director, División América Latina y el Caribe/Director, Latin America and the Caribbean Division
- Pedro Pablo Villanueva, Subdirector, División América Latina y el Caribe/ Latin America and the Caribbean Division

- Luis Mora, Asesor de Programas, División América Latina y el Caribe/Programme Officer, Latin America and the Caribbean Division
- Gilka Meléndez, Representante Auxiliar, República Dominicana/Assistant Representative, Dominican Republic
- Antonio Gómez Vargas, Oficial Nacional de Programas de Población y Desarrollo/Programme Officer, Population and Development

Instituto Internacional de Investigaciones y Capacitación para la Promoción de la Mujer (INSTRAW)/United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW)/Institut international de recherche et de formation pour la promotion de la femme (INSTRAW)

- Carmen Moreno, Directora, Oficina del INSTRAW en República Dominicana/Director, INSTRAW office in Dominican Republic
- Hilary Anderson, Oficial de Información/Information Officer
- Yolanda Solano, Coordinadora, Proyecto Participación Política/Coordinator, Political participation project
- Martha Barriga, Consultora en Remesas/Consultant
- Valeria Vilardo, Encargada de Comunicación/Communications officer

Programa de las Naciones Unidas para el Desarrollo (PNUD)/United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)/Programme des Nations Unies pour le Développement (PNUD)

- Rebeca Grynspan, Administradora Auxiliar y Directora Regional para América Latina y el Caribe/ Assistant Administrator and Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean
- Mauricio Ramírez-Villegas, Representante Residente a.i., en República Dominicana/Resident Representative in Dominican Republic

Programa Mundial de Alimentos (PMA)/World Food Programme (WFP)/Programme alimentaire mondial (PAM)

- Górdana Jerger, Directora Regional Adjunta para América Latina y el Caribe/Deputy Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean
- Pavel Isa, Oficial a Cargo, Programa Mundial de Alimentos en República Dominicana/Officer-in-Charge, Dominican Republic

F. Organismos especializados Specialized agencies Institutions spécialisées

Organización Internacional del Trabajo (OIT)/International Labour Organization (ILO)/Organisation internationale du travail (OIT)

- Elías Dinzey, Oficial a cargo, Oficina de la OIT en República Dominicana/Officer-in-Charge, ILO office in Dominican Republic

Organización de las Naciones Unidas para la Agricultura y la Alimentación (FAO)/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)/Organisation des Nations Unies pour l'alimentation et l'agriculture (FAO)

- Antonio Morales, Representante/Representative

Organización de las Naciones Unidas para el Desarrollo Industrial (ONUDI)/United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)/Organisation des Nations Unies pour le développement industriel (ONUDI)

- Ludovico Alcorta, Director de la Subdivisión de Investigación y Estadística/Director, Research and Statistics Branch

Organización Mundial de la Salud (OMS)-Organización Panamericana de la Salud (OPS)/World Health Organization (WHO)-Pan American Health Organization (PAHO)/Organisation mondiale de la santé (OMS)-Organisation panaméricaine de la santé (OPS)

- Ana Cristhina Nogueira, Representante en República Dominicana/Representative, Dominican Republic
- Hernán Rosenberg, Asesor, Desarrollo de Programas y Análisis en Washington, D.C.

Banco Mundial/World Bank/Banque mondiale

- Christina E. Malmberg Calvo, Country Manager, Dominican Republic Country Office

Programa Conjunto de las Naciones Unidas sobre el VIH/SIDA (ONUSIDA)/Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)/Programme commun des Nations Unies sur le VIH et le sida (ONUSIDA)

- Ana Navarro, Representante/Representative

G. Otras organizaciones intergubernamentales Other intergovernmental organizations Autres organisations intergouvernementales

Asociación Latinoamericana de Instituciones Financieras para el Desarrollo (ALIDE)/Latin America Association of Development Financing Institutions (ALIDE)/Association latino-américaine d'institutions pour le financement du développement (ALIDE)

- Raúl Jiménez, Investigador principal, Perú

Corporación Andina de Fomento (CAF)/Andean Development Coorporation (ADC)/Société andine de développement (SAD)

- Enrique García, Presidente Ejecutivo
- Luis Miguel Castilla Rubio, Jefe de la Oficina de Políticas Públicas y Competitividad
- Gabriel Duque, Director Adjunto de Programas de Competitividad

Instituto Interamericano de Cooperación para la Agricultura (IICA)/Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA)/Institut interaméricain de coopération pour l'agriculture (IICA)

- Víctor del Angel, Representante del IICA en República Dominicana

Organización de los Estados Americanos (OEA)/Organization of American States (OAS)/Organisation des états américains (OEA)

- Paul Durand, Representante de la OEA en República Dominicana

Organización Internacional para las Migraciones (OIM)/International Organization for Migration (IOM)/Organisation internationale pour les migrations (OIM)

- Nidia Casati, Representante Regional

Secretaría General del Sistema de la Integración Centroamericana (SG-SICA)/Central American Integration System Secretariat/Système d'intégration de l'Amérique centrale

- Carlos Roberto Pérez Gaitán, Director de Asuntos Económicos

Sistema Económico Latinoamericano (SELA)/Latin American Economic System(SELA)/Systeme économique latinoaméricain(SELA)

- Antonio Romero, Director de Relaciones para la Integración y Cooperación, Secretaría Permanente en la República Bolivariana de Venezuela

H. Organizaciones no gubernamentales reconocidas como entidades consultivas por el Consejo Económico y Social

Non-governmental organizations recognized by the Economic and Social Council as having consultative status

Organisations non gouvernementales auxquelles le Conseil économique et social recônnait le status consultatif

Red Regional de Organizaciones Civiles para las Migraciones (RROCM)/Regional Network for Civil Organizations on Migration

- Hedí Tejeda

SOS – Kinderdorf Internacional/SOS Kinderdorf International

- Josefina Altagracia Delgado Abreu, Directora Nacional Aldeas Infantiles SOS Dominicanas, República Dominicana

The Aldea Centre-Saint Lucia

- Albert DeTerville, Executive Chairperson

The Center of Concern

- Aldo Caliari, Director, Rethinking Bretton Woods Project

I. Otras organizaciones no gubernamentales Other non-governmental organizations Autres organisations non gouvernementales

Asociación Latinoamericana de Población (ALAP)/Latin American Population Association/

Dídimo Castillo Fernández, México

Asociación Venezolana de Estudios de Población (AVEPO)

- Anitza Freitez, Presidenta

CAPERIBE, Revista Dominicana de Proyecciones Económicas

- Pablo Martín Cuello Navarro, economista

Centro de Apoyo Aquelarre (CEAPA)

- Margot Tapia, Directora Ejecutiva

Central General de Trabajadores de Paraguay

- Dionicia Osorio, Secretaria de Actas
- Daniel Antonio Martínez Bernal, Secretario de Juventud

Centro de Investigación para la Acción Femenina (CIPAF)/Centre for Women's Research and Action

- Magaly Pineda

Centro de Organización para Desarrollo Económico (COPADE)

- María Ester Pinto, Coordinadora

Escuela Latinoamericana de Cooperación y Desarrollo

- Jairo Agudelo Taborda, Director

Federación Iberoamericana de Asociaciones de Personas Adultas Mayores (FIAPAM)

- Modesto Chato, Presidente
- Ruth Rivera Viquez, Secretaria General, Costa Rica

Instituto Católico Chileno de Migración (INCAMI)/Chilean Catholic Institute for Migration

- Algacir Munhak, Vicepresidente Ejecutivo

Instituto Andino de Estudios de Población (IAEP)/Andean Institute of Population Studies (IAEP

- Lucero Zamudio, Decana, Facultad de Ciencias Sociales y Humanas

Soroptimist International of the Americas

- Pina Pileggi, Board Member

J. Panelistas Panelists Panélistes

- Ludovico Alcorta, Director de la Subdivisión de Investigación y Estadística de la Organización de las Naciones Unidas para el Desarrollo Industrial (ONUDI)
- Carlos Álvarez, Vicepresidente Ejecutivo de la Corporación de Fomento de la Producción (CORFO), Chile
- Carlos Gustavo Cano, Director, Banco de la República de Colombia
- Jeannette Carrillo, Presidenta Ejecutiva, Instituto Nacional de las Mujeres de Costa Rica
- María Eugenia Casar Pérez, Tesorera, Secretaría de Hacienda y Crédito Público de México
- Carl Dahlman, profesor de la Universidad de Georgetown
- Sonia Díaz, Sonia Díaz, Subsecretaria de Estado de la Mujer, República Dominicana
- Luiz Antonio Elías, Secretario Ejecutivo, Ministerio de Ciencia y Tecnología, Brasil
- Maria Carmen Feijoó, Coordinadora del Proyecto Reforma Educacional, Fundación Ford
- Luisa Fernández, Directora Ejecutiva del Consejo Nacional de Zonas Francas de Exportación de República Dominicana
- Adrián Fernández, Presidente Instituto Nacional de Ecología de México
- João Carlos Ferraz, Director de Planificación e Investigación, Banco Nacional de Desarrollo de Brasil (BNDES)
- Enrique García, Presidente Ejecutivo de la Corporación Andina de Fomento (CAF)
- Flavia García, Secretaria de Estado de la Mujer de República Dominicana
- Jan Kregel, Programa sobre Política Monetaria y Estructura Financiera, Levy Economics Institute, Bard Collage, Planificación y Desarrollo de la República Dominicana
- Temístocles Montás, Secretario de Estado de Economía
- José Antonio Ocampo, Profesor, Columbia University
- Juan José Palacios, Profesor y Coordinador del Programa de Estudios Transnacionales del Departamento de Estudios Políticos de la Universidad de Guadalajara, México
- Carlota Pérez, Consultora e Investigadora de la Universidad de Cambridge, la Universidad de Sussex y la Universidad Tecnológica de Tallin
- José Luis Rodríguez, Ministro de Economía y Planificación de Cuba
- Gert Rosenthal, Representante Permanente de Guatemala ante las Naciones Unidas
- Clemente Ruiz Durán, Coordinador del Posgrado en Economía, Facultad de Economía, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM)
- Francisco Sagasti, Cordinador Agenda Perú, Presidente del programa Ciencia y Tecnología
- Luc Soete, Director del Centro de Investigación y capacitación económica y social sobre innovación y tecnología de la Universidad de las Naciones Unidas en Maastricht
- Basil Springer, Consultor, Change-Engine, Caribbean Business Enterprise, Trust Inc.
- Kim SungHwan, Vice Minister. Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- Alejandra Valdés, Consultora e Investigadora
- René Villareal, Presidente del Centro de Capital Intelectual y Competitividad (CECIC), México

K. Invitados Guests Invités

- Héctor Maldonado Gómez, Presidente del Comité Ejecutivo de la Conferencia de Estadísticas de las Américas, Colombia
 - Gustavo Crespi, Especialista Principal de Programa Innovación, Políticas y Ciencia, International Development Research Centre (IDRC)
- Federico Guillermo Lepe Montoya, Coordinador General de Políticas Públicas, Gobierno del Estado de Jalisco, México
- Carlos Quenan, Profesor, Universidad de la Sorbonne
- Eduardo Klinger, Director, Academia de Ciencias, República Dominicana
- Graciela María Cabella Bentos, Gerente Departamento Notarial, Instituto Nacional de Colonización de Uruguay

L. Secretaría Secretariat Secrétariat

Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe (CEPAL)/Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)/Commission économique pour l'Amérique latine et les Caraïbes (CEPALC)

- José Luis Machinea, Secretario Ejecutivo/Executive Secretary
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- Luis Beccaria, Director, División de Estadística y Proyecciones Económicas/Director, Statistics and Economic Projections Division
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- Martine Dirven, Oficial a cargo, División de Desarrollo Productivo y Empresarial/Officer-in-Charge, Division of Production, Productivity and Management
- Fernando Sánchez-Albavera, Director, División de Recursos Naturales e Infraestructura/Director, Natural Resources and Infrasture Division
- Osvaldo Kacef, Director, División de Desarrollo Económico/Director, Economic Development Division
- José Luis Samaniego, Director, División de Desarrollo Sostenible y Asentamientos Humanos/Director, Sustainable Development and Human Settlements Division
- Juan Carlos Ramírez, Director, Instituto Latinoamericano y del Caribe de Planificación Económica y Social (ILPES)/Director, Latin American and Caribbean Institute for Economic and Social Planning (ILPES)
- Diane Frishman, Oficial a cargo, División de Documentos y Publicaciones/Officer-in-Charge, Documents and Publications Division

- Dirk Jaspers_Faijer, Director, Centro Latinoamericano y Caribeño de Demografía (CELADE) División de Población de la CEPAL/Director, Latin American and Caribbean Demographic Centre
 (CELADE) Population Division of ECLAC
- Raúl García Buchaca, Jefe, Unidad de Planificación y Evaluación de Programas, División de Planificación de Programas y Operaciones/Chief, Programme Planning and Evaluation Unit, Programme Planning and Operations Division
- Rudolf Buitelaar, Jefe, Unidad de Gerencia de Proyectos, División de Planificación de Programas y Operaciones/Chief, Project Management Unit, Programme Planning and Evaluation Unit, Programme Planning and Operations Division
- Daniel Titelman, Coordinador, Unidad de Estudios del Desarrollo/Coordinator, Development Studies Unit
- Gerardo Mendoza, Oficial de Programas, Secretaría de la Comisión/Programme Officer, Office of the Secretary of the Commission
- Pilar Bascuñan, Oficial a cargo, Unidad de Servicios de Información/Officer-in-Charge, Information Services Unit
- Luis Fidel Yáñez, Asesor Legal, Secretaría de la Comisión/Legal Counsel, Secretary of the Commission
- Jorge Martínez, Centro Latinoamericano y Caribeño de Demografía (CELADE) División de Población de la CEPAL/Latin American and Caribbean Demographic Center (CELADE) - Population Division of ECLAC
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