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PRODUCTIVITY

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THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA

TAKING NOTE of resolution 416 E (XIV) 560 (XVIII) of the
Economic and Social Council; and

CONSIDERING:

a) that the Latin American countries need to reduce as far
as possible the wastage of resources of every kind, in order to
place the region's future development on a firmer basis, and

b) that it is, however, essential that in the pursuit of
this aim due regard be paid to the protection of employment and
wage levels, as well as of standards of living and working
conditions in the countries concerned,

RECOMMENDS to the secretariat:

1. That, at the moment it deems opportune, a pilot study be
prepared containing a specific analysis of the various technical,
economic and social factors affecting productivity in the Latin
American economy;
2. That in carrying out this study an attempt be made to determine
guiding principles as to which sectors of economic activity are so
important to over-all economic development that they should be
granted priority when measures designed to increase productivity

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are put into effect;

3. That in any future studies on specific industries which may be undertaken, it devote special attention to the problems of productivity and the measures advisable for its improvement through joint action on the part of the state, the entrepreneur and the worker; and

4. That the findings of the pilot study referred to above be submitted, in collaboration with other national and international organizations, to committees of experts on this subject so that action may be taken at both the national and international levels.