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358 (XVI) ESTABLISHMENT OF A CARIBBEAN DEVELOPMENT AND
CO-OPERATION COMMITTEE

The Economic Commission for Latin America

Recognizing that special attention must be paid to the needs of the Caribbean countries in the light of their special historical, geographical and cultural identity,

Recognizing that these countries have inherited similar economic structures and problems,

Stressing the importance of paying particular attention to the needs of the less developed countries of the region,

Reaffirming the importance of economic co-operation and integration as one of the means to achieve economic and social progress in the area,

Recalling resolutions 288 (XIII) of 19 April 1969, 305 (XIV) of 6 May 1971 and 331 (XV) of 30 March 1973 concerning the sub-regional office of ECLA in Port of Spain,

Reaffirming the need to maintain and strengthen Latin American co-ordination and solidarity,

Considering that the achievement of the aspirations of the countries of the Caribbean, within the framework of Latin American co-operation, can make a positive contribution to the economic development of Latin America,

1. Invites the Governments of the countries within the sphere of action of the ECLA office in Port of Spain and the Governments of Cuba, Haiti and the Dominican Republic and other Caribbean countries as they achieve independence, to form a committee on development and co-operation, composed of Ministers of Economic Affairs or persons appointed by them, to act as a co-ordinating body for activities relating to development and co-operation and as a consultative organ of the Executive Secretary of ECLA;

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2. Requests the Executive Secretary of ECLA to co-operate with the Governments concerned on matters within his competence which are of concern to these countries;
3. Also requests the Executive Secretary to undertake studies and promote initiatives designed to strengthen co-operation between the other member countries of ECLA and integration groupings of countries of the Latin American region with the committee referred to in paragraph 1, especially in the case of those countries within the area of action of the ECLA offices in Mexico and Bogotá;
4. Invites the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as well as the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, to bear in mind the additional responsibilities assigned to the sub-regional office in Port of Spain and the projects in connexion with the work of the new Committee and the action referred to in paragraph 3.

192nd meeting
13 May 1975