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PREPARATIONS AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL

Comprehensive reports on the activities of the
regional commissions

Addendum

Report submitted by the Economic Commission for
Latin America

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in the meetings at the regional and international levels. The aim of the Confer:
is not to discuss country documents but to propose action aimed at giving impetu:
to the development and implementation of new and renewable sources of energy on
the basis of national and regional positions. The countries have the option of
submitting national documents by 31 December at the latest, pursuant to
decision 4 (II) of the Preparatory Committee at its second meeting.

4. Programme of Preparatory Work

It is suggested to all Governments that their interinstitutional working
groups should prepare a detailed work programme for the process of preparation,
aimed at formulating these national positions. The diagram on the next page
gives a suggested outline for this work programme. The following sections briefly
describe each stage.

5. Preliminary view of resources

The aim of this stage is to assess knowledge existing in the country on the
resources which may be new and renewable sources of energy. Some are natural
resources and others are refuse from human activities. The preliminary view should
indicate whether the resource exists or not, where it is to be found, what its
physical characteristics are, and what its order of magnitude is. This
information can be used to compile a preliminary inventory or preliminary "resource
map". This stage also makes it possible to tentatively identify the sources and
geographical areas for which resource assessment projects should be implemented
in the furute.

6. Preliminary view of requirements

It is not sufficient for a resource to exist. In order to be usable there
must be an existing or forseeable demand for its utilization. The

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