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1. The Commission had before it the note by the secretariat on the dates, venue and theme topic for the sixty-eighth session of the Commission (2012) (E/ESCAP/67/18).
2. Representatives of the following countries made statements: Bangladesh; China; India; Pakistan; Thailand; and Turkey.
3. The Commission decided to hold its sixty-eighth session in Bangkok in April or May of 2012. The exact dates would be determined in consultation with the Advisory Committee of Permanent Representatives and Other Representatives Designated by Members of the Commission (ACPR).
4. With regard to the theme topic for the sixty-eighth session, two alternative topics were proposed for consideration, namely:
 - (a) Addressing the challenge of urbanization: towards inclusive and sustainable urban development;
 - (b) Enhancing regional economic integration in the Asia-Pacific region.
5. Taking into account the overall preference indicated by countries, the Commission endorsed “Enhancing regional economic integration in the Asia-Pacific region” as the theme topic for its sixty-eighth session.