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CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES

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THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA  
CONSIDERING

(a) the growing importance of the chemical industry within the economies of the Latin American countries, as evidenced by the momentum which the industry has acquired during recent years, the increase of imports of chemical products and the important part played by chemical fertilizers in agriculture;

(b) the difficulties of shipping certain finished chemical products, such as acids;

(c) the fact that raw materials, which can be utilized in various chemical industries, exist in many Latin American countries but, owing to their characteristics, often require the study of special processing methods;

REAFFIRMS resolution 10 (IV), adopted in Mexico in 1951, concerning the study of the chemical industry;

RECOMMENDS THAT THE SECRETARIAT

(a) initiate as soon as possible technical and economic

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relating to various chemical industries, along the lines of the iron and steel studies, and, with respect to the transport of chemicals, taking into account the studies of other United Nations bodies;

(b) give priority to the studies relating to basic chemical products (acids and alkalis) and to the other products which show the largest import figures in the region as a whole.