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Assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon

Report of the Secretary-General

Corrigendum

1. Annex I, page 16, paragraph 58

For the existing text, substitute

58. Among the immediate objectives of World Bank assistance are the following:

(a) The rehabilitation of the port of Beirut. The cost was estimated in 1978 at LL 225 million (\$67 million), the financing of which will be covered by LL 23 million (\$20.3 million) from the World Bank and by LL 64 million (\$19 million) and LL 39 million (\$11.6 million) in loans granted by the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development and by the Abu Dhabi Fund, respectively.

(b) Water, sewage and sanitation. The project consists in rehabilitating the water supply and sanitation facilities and in preparing long-term projects for reconstruction and development in the water supply from the Litani River and in the sewage sector. World Bank financing of these projects amounts to \$6.34 million.

(c) Highways. The Government has received a loan of \$33 million for the completion of a section of the Beirut-Tripoli expressway, to purchase highway maintenance equipment, to carry out a feasibility study of the Beirut bypass highway and to adopt feasibility studies on the Beirut-Damascus highway.

(d) Education. The World Bank has granted a loan of \$6.6 million to the Government for a project to provide equipment for technical education and professional training. The ILO and UNESCO are assisting in this project with curriculum development.

(e) Telecommunications. The World Bank has granted a loan of \$14.5 million for rehabilitating the telecommunications network.

2. Annex I, page 17

After section L, add the following:

M. Economic Commission for Western Asia

63. The Economic Commission for Western Asia (ECWA) plays an important role in planning for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon. In order to remain fully aware of Lebanon's present and future needs, several studies have been undertaken by specialists of ECWA and reports published on the following subjects:

Transport: Proposals for a road reconstruction and maintenance programme in Lebanon.

Study on a road maintenance programme and assistance in its implementation.

Agriculture: Basic policy issues on post-war livestock development in Lebanon.

Housing: A study on a housing policy for Lebanon.

Industry: An industrialization policy and strategy for Lebanon, with an annex on the future structure of the Lebanese industrial sector and two quantitative analyses.

Population: Project request for United Nations Fund for Population Activities. Population and housing data base.

Establishment of a technical secretariat at the Council for Development and Reconstruction.

64. At its seventh session, ECWA adopted resolution 77 (VII) in which the Executive Secretary of ECWA was requested to co-operate with the United Nations Co-ordinator and with the Council for Development and Reconstruction in the study and implementation of projects for the reconstruction of Lebanon. The Commission also recommended that a programme be established to cover this co-operation.

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