

Noting that the Committee drew up a work programme, which was endorsed by the Commission at its seventeenth and eighteenth sessions, held at Guatemala City from 25 April to 5 May 1977 and at La Paz, Bolivia, from 18 to 26 April 1979, respectively,²⁹

Considering that the Committee, at its fifth session, held at Kingston, Jamaica, from 4 to 10 June 1980, approved a series of urgent projects within the framework of that work programme,

Noting that the States members of the Committee, at its fifth session, considered that the implementation of those priority projects constituted an urgent need requiring supplementary resources for implementation in 1981 which could not have been foreseen at the time of the adoption of the programme budget for the biennium 1980-1981,

Considering the statement made by the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America to the Economic and Social Council on the results of the fifth session of the Committee,³⁰ and the statements made by some of the States members of the Committee,

1. *Takes note* of the issues that require attention or are brought to its attention by the Economic Commission for Latin America;³¹

2. *Notes with appreciation* the results of the fifth session of the Caribbean Development and Co-operation Committee, and commends to the Commission, for consideration at its nineteenth session, the conclusions reached by that Committee;

3. *Notes also* that the Committee, at its fifth session, selected, within the framework of the work programme adopted at its first session and endorsed by the Commission at its seventeenth and eighteenth sessions, a limited number of areas and projects to be accorded the highest priority and to be implemented urgently;

4. *Further notes* that the Committee, at its fifth session, also adopted resolution 2 (V) strengthening its secretariat in order to meet the requirements of development and co-operation in the subregion in accordance with the spirit and objectives of the Committee;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make appropriate provision for the implementation of the priority projects and for the strengthening of the secretariat of the Caribbean Development and Co-operation Committee in his supplementary budget estimates for 1981 within the over-all United Nations budget, for consideration by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly in the course of the thirty-fifth session of the Assembly, bearing in mind the view of the Caribbean Development and Co-operation Committee that the

²⁹ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 11 (E/5945)*, vol. I, part III, resolution 372 (XVII); and *ibid.*, 1979, *Supplement No. 16 (E/1979/51)*, chap. IV, resolution 399 (XVIII).

³⁰ See E/1980/SR.35.

³¹ See E/1980/72, paras. 24-39 and 95-108, and E/1980/72/Add.2/Rev.1.

implementation of such projects constitutes an urgent need which could not have been foreseen at the time of the adoption of the programme budget for 1980-1981.

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24 July 1980

1980/57. Relocation of the offices of the Economic Commission for Western Asia to Baghdad

The Economic and Social Council,

Recognizing that the activities of the Economic Commission for Western Asia and its ability to serve the member States depend considerably on the level of competence and performance of the officers and employees of its secretariat,

Realizing fully that the ability of the staff members and experts of the Commission to discharge their responsibilities with the required competence is intimately related to the working and living conditions provided for them by the United Nations,

Recognizing with appreciation the valuable efforts expended by the Executive Secretary of the Commission, his staff and his experts in the discharge of their responsibilities to the Commission,

Expressing its grateful appreciation to the Government of Iraq for all the moral and material support it has provided and continues to provide to the Commission in order to facilitate its work at the permanent headquarters at Baghdad,³²

Requests the Secretary-General of the United Nations to give special consideration to all issues and matters that may affect the competence and efficiency of the staff members of the Economic Commission for Western Asia, in order to provide the secretariat of the Commission with the appropriate means and the favourable working conditions which will enable it to avail itself of the highest standards of competence in rendering its services to the member States of the Commission.

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1980/58. Report of the World Food Council

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974 containing the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974 containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States and 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation, as well as the agreed conclusions of the Committee of the Whole Established under General

³² See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1980, Supplement No. 9 (E/1980/29)*, para. 42.