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RESOLUTION OF 24 JUNE 1948 ON FREE PORTS AND ZONES

THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA

CONSIDERING that international trade may be facilitated by free ports or zones located at important crossroads of commerce; and

CONSIDERING that existing free ports and zones in the territories of Latin American Republics, such as the Free Zone of Colón, and others, offer valuable facilities for the clearance, transit, warehousing exhibition and redistribution of merchandise and products;

REQUESTS the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America to include, in the Economic Survey to be made of Latin America, information concerning existing free ports and zones in the American Republics, the facilities they offer, and their present and potential significance as a means of promoting inter-American commerce, and commerce between Latin America and the rest of the world.

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