

173(XV). Draft medium-term plan of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia for the period 1992-1997

The Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 32/197 of 20 December 1977 on the restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system, and particularly the provisions thereof that relate to the role of the regional commissions in developing co-ordination at the regional level and to the functions and responsibilities of the commissions in the programme planning and review process,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 36/228 of 18 December 1981 on programme planning, particularly section A thereof,

Recalling further General Assembly resolution 37/234 of 21 December 1982, particularly section II thereof, resolution 42/215 of 21 December 1987 and resolution 43/219 of 21 December 1988, on programme planning, in which the Assembly stressed the role of an integrated programme planning, budgeting, monitoring and evaluation system in improving the efficiency of the United Nations,

Having considered the draft medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997: regional co-operation for development in Western Asia,^{1/} as well as the introductory note by the Executive Secretary^{2/} and paragraph 87 of the report of the Technical Committee^{3/} on the need to pay more attention to the two least developed countries,

Taking account of its resolution 157(XIV) of 5 April 1987 on the medium-term plan of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia for the period 1990-1995, particularly paragraph 3 thereof,

Recognizing that the draft medium-term plan will be revised in the light of the international development strategy for the fourth United Nations development decade and in the light of other regional and international developments,

1. Stresses the need to ensure that the plan fully and harmoniously reflects the development priorities and requirements of the States members of the Commission in the light of recent developments in the region and in the world;

2. Approves in principle the draft medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997, bearing in mind the observations made in the meetings of the Technical Committee at its sixth session, especially those concerning the adoption of a method of follow-up based on annual reports, as well as those received from the member States by the end of June 1989 at the latest;

3. Requests the Executive Secretary to submit to the Technical Committee at its seventh session a progress report on the revision of the plan.

3rd plenary meeting
18 May 1989

^{1/} E/ESCWA/C.1/15/10 (Part II).

^{2/} E/ESCWA/C.1/15/10 (Part I) and Supplements 1-3.

^{3/} E/ESCWA/C.1/15/5.