

cial implications of holding the ECAFE conferences at Tokyo. According to preliminary estimates, the cost of holding the above conferences at Tokyo would amount to about \$ US 43,000, which would exceed the budgetary estimate of holding the tenth session and other conferences at Kandy, Ceylon, by about \$ US 14,000. The Commission noted the statement by the representative of Japan to the effect that he was certain that his Government would provide services and facilities with a view to meeting the usual expenses of an ECAFE session. The Commission decided, subject to the approval of the appropriate United Nations bodies, to hold its eleventh session in Tokyo, Japan, and to postpone it to March 1955 owing to climatic conditions. The Commission's session would be preceded by the sessions of the Committee on Industry and Trade and the Inland Transport Committee.

**(10) ADMISSION OF ASSOCIATE MEMBERS RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS TO MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMISSION**

214. The Commission adopted a resolution (E/CN.11/387) on this subject (see part IV).

**(11) AMENDMENT OF THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE COMMISSION REGARDING THE RIGHT OF ASSOCIATE MEMBERS TO HOLD OFFICE IN THE COMMISSION**

215. The Commission adopted a resolution (E/CN.11/388) on this subject (see part IV).

**(12) PROGRAMME OF WORK AND PRIORITIES**

216. The programme of work and priorities as approved by the Commission is reproduced in part V of this report.

**PART IV**

**RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT THE TENTH SESSION <sup>7</sup>**

217. The Commission, at its tenth session, adopted the following resolutions:

- (1) Resolution 10 (X) on the reports of subsidiary bodies
- (2) Resolution 11 (X) on regional projects in the technical assistance programme
- (3) Resolution 12 (X) on the admission of associate members to membership of the Commission
- (4) Resolution 13 (X) on proposed amendment in the terms of reference of the Commission

Draft resolution for action by the Economic and Social Council.

218. Following are the full texts of the resolutions:

**Resolution 10 (X)**

**Reports of subsidiary bodies**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTED ON 18 FEBRUARY 1954**

**(E/CN.11/386)**

*The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East*

**A**

*Approves* the report and recommendations of the Committee on Industry and Trade and of the Inland Transport Committee, and the results obtained by their standing and *ad hoc* subsidiary bodies, including regional conferences and working parties of experts, as well as the annual report of the Bureau of Flood Control and Water Resources Development; and

*Notes* with satisfaction that the activities of its standing and *ad hoc* subsidiary bodies, as well as of the Bureau of Flood Control and Water Resources Development, are of practical value to the countries in the region.

**B**

*Believing* that the work of the Commission in the fields of mineral resources development and trade has reached a stage at which the periodic examination, at a technical level, of the various problems involved by standing subsidiary bodies is the best way of furthering the task of the Commission under its terms of reference,

*Expresses* satisfaction that the Committee on Industry and Trade has established:

(a) A Sub-Committee on Mineral Resources Development with the following terms of reference:

(i) To promote the development of the mineral resources of the countries of the region;

(ii) To study the problems of geological surveys;

(iii) To study the problems of mining, beneficiation, utilization and marketing of minerals;

(iv) To review the progress made by the countries of the region in the development of their mineral resources;

(v) To promote regional and international co-operation in the development of mineral resources.

(b) A Sub-Committee on Trade, with the following terms of reference:

(i) To review the trade and commercial policies of the countries of the region and to promote the development of inter-regional and intra-regional trade, with a view to assisting the economic development of the countries of the region;

(ii) To review the progress made by the countries of the region in the development of techniques and methods for trade promotion including the training of trade promotion personnel;

(iii) To study other problems affecting international trade such as price stabilization of commodities, standardization of commodities, commercial arbitration, market research and freight rates, having due regard to the work being done in these fields by the United Nations and other international agencies.

**Resolution 11 (X)**

**Regional projects in the Technical Assistance Programme**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTED ON 16 FEBRUARY 1954**

**(E/CN.11/385)**

*The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East,*

*Reiterating* its recognition of the importance of technical assistance to the economic development of the countries of the region,

*Appreciating* the activities undertaken under the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance and in particular the activities of the Technical Assistance Administration in the ECAFE region,

<sup>7</sup> Resolutions of the Commission are numbered consecutively as from the ninth session. The Roman numeral in parenthesis denotes the number of the session at which the resolution was adopted.

*Noting* with gratification the increasing number and usefulness of regional technical assistance projects initiated by the Commission and its subsidiary bodies, and executed jointly by the secretariat of ECAFE and the Technical Assistance Administration,

*Also noting* that the execution of regional projects frequently requires a host country to spend considerable funds although the benefits from such regional projects accrue not only to it but to all the participating countries,

*Recognizing* that technical assistance can best be rendered generally through individual country projects, but also

*Believing* that in certain instances regional projects provide the most effective avenue of technical assistance,

*Draws* the attention of the Council, its Technical Assistance Committee and Technical Assistance Board to the great value attached by the countries of the region to regional projects, and suggests to the Council, the Committee and the Board that they take this into account in any review that may be undertaken of arrangements and procedures for the operation of the technical assistance programme;

*Recommends* to the Council that the above form of technical assistance be recognized as a permanent feature of the technical assistance programme, alongside and complementary to individual country projects, as an important element in planning, and in the allocation of funds;

*Requests* the Executive Secretary to transmit this resolution to the Executive Chairman of the Technical Assistance Board for circulation to the Technical Assistance Committee and the Technical Assistance Board.

#### Resolution 12 (X)

##### Admission of associate members to membership of the Commission

RESOLUTION ADOPTED 18 FEBRUARY 1954  
(E/CN.11/387)

*The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East*

*Urges* the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations to reach a decision giving effect to the wish of the Commission to admit to membership of ECAFE

those associate members which are responsible for their own international relations.

#### Resolution 13 (X)

##### Amendment of terms of reference

RESOLUTION ADOPTED 18 FEBRUARY 1954  
(E/CN.11/388)

*The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East Recommends* to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations that the terms of reference of the Commission be amended in order to make possible the amendment of rule 13 and rule 15 of the rules of procedure as follows:

##### "Rule 13

"The Commission shall, at its first meeting of each year, elect from among its representatives, *including the representatives of associate members*, a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman who shall hold office until their successors are elected. They shall be eligible for re-election."

##### "Rule 15

"If the Chairman ceases to represent a member or an associate member of the Commission, or is so incapacitated that he can no longer hold office, the Vice-Chairman shall become Chairman for the unexpired portion of the term. In that case, or if the Vice-Chairman ceases to represent a member or an associate member of the Commission, or is so incapacitated that he can no longer hold office, the Commission shall elect another Vice-Chairman for the unexpired portion of the term."

219. The Commission also adopted the following draft resolution for submission to the Council:

##### Draft resolution for action by the Economic and Social Council

ADOPTED 18 FEBRUARY 1954 BY THE COMMISSION  
*The Economic and Social Council*

*Takes note* of the Annual Report of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East for the period 15 February 1953 to 18 February 1954 and of the programme of work and priorities contained therein.

## PART V

### PROGRAMME OF WORK AND PRIORITIES

#### Introduction

220. The Commission approved the programme of work and priorities set out below at its 137th meeting held on 18 February 1954.

221. This programme was adopted in the light of the recommendations contained in the report of the third session of the Inland Transport Committee (E/CN.11/377), the report of the sixth session of the Committee on Industry and Trade (E/CN.11/383), the report of the Bureau of Flood Control and Water Resources Development covering the period November 1952—October 1953 (E/CN.11/376), the statement made to the Commission by the representative of FAO concerning the proposed work programme of the joint ECAFE/FAO Agriculture Division, and the statements of the representatives of ILO, UNESCO, WHO, the International Monetary Fund, and relevant resolu-

tions and decisions of the tenth session of the Commission; Economic and Social Council resolutions 324 (XI), 402 B (XII), 451 A (XVI), and 497 C (XVI) on co-ordination among the United Nations and the specialized agencies, and 362 B (XII) on concentration of efforts and resources, were also closely taken into account.

222. In formulating the proposed programme of work and priorities set out below, the basic criterion of the Commission, as in the past, was that stated in Economic and Social Council resolution 362 B (XII) as follows:

"... the question of the economic development of under-developed countries in all its aspects is by virtue of Articles 55 and 56 of the Charter a problem to which the Council [and its Commissions] must ... give most urgent attention because ... 'a more rapid economic development of under-developed