

Further requests the Executive Secretary to follow closely the work and the activities of the United Nations family relating to all aspects of the application of science and technology to development and to report from time to time to the Commission and its subsidiary bodies on important aspects of interest to them and to the region as a whole, and to convey the views of the Commission's subsidiary bodies to the Economic and Social Council's Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development and to other agencies as appropriate.

325th meeting,
24 March 1965.

61 (XXI). Asian International Trade Fair^{30/}

The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East,

Recognizing the value of international trade fairs in stimulating trade, and the particular importance of the first Asian International Trade Fair as a means of increasing regional economic co-operation, promoting intraregional and international trade, and encouraging new investment in Asia;

Welcoming the decision of the Government of Thailand to hold the Asian International Trade Fair at Bangkok from 17 November to 10 December 1966;

Noting with satisfaction the progress made with preparations for the Fair;

Noting with appreciation the provision by the United Nations of the services of a trade fair expert to advise the Government of Thailand on the organization of the Fair and to assist Governments of member countries in taking part;

Convinced that wide-spread participation in the Fair is necessary for its success;

^{30/} See para. 384 above.

Expresses its appreciation to the Government of Thailand for undertaking the task of organizing the Fair;

Calls upon all Governments of member and associate member countries to participate in the Fair;

Requests members and associate members as well as other members of the United Nations to give the first Asian International Trade Fair wide publicity in their respective countries, and to encourage and assist their industrial and commercial organizations to take part in the Fair.

327th meeting,
25 March 1965.

62 (XXI). Asian Development Bank^{31/}

The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East,

Recalling its resolution 45 (XIX) on regional economic co-operation adopted at its nineteenth session in March 1963 and the programme of regional economic co-operation adopted by the Ministerial Conference on Asian Economic Co-operation in December 1963;

Noting with satisfaction the considerable preparatory and investigative work carried out in implementing the above programme, particularly the proposal for establishing the Asian Development Bank, and the report of the Expert Group on this project;^{32/}

Commending the Executive Secretary for having initiated consultations with Governments of member countries both regional and non-regional;

Noting further that the proposal to establish the Asian Development Bank is now under consideration of the Governments of member and non-member countries and that the initial reactions and responses to the proposal have been generally encouraging;

^{31/} See para. 369 above.

^{32/} No symbols were assigned to these two documents.