

Part III

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION AT  
ITS TWENTY-SECOND SESSION

64 (XXII). Establishment of an Asian Institute  
for training and research in statistics

The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East,

Recognizing that the shortage of statisticians in the ECAFE region continues to be a serious impediment to economic and social development planning and programming, and that measures to remedy it are urgently needed,

Realizing that in many countries the available training and other facilities for statistical development are far short of requirements, and that the increasing demands for statisticians, particularly in government service, for the main economic and social fields cannot be adequately met by national resources alone,

Realizing further that, while existing facilities need to be strengthened and extended at all levels, international efforts are most needed at the higher professional level to strengthen and establish facilities which would meet the urgent demands of the next few years,

Considering that a regional institute for statistics, devoted to professional training, research and related activities, could significantly contribute towards alleviating the shortage of statisticians and could stimulate national statistical development programmes,

Noting the recommendation of the Expert Group on Education and Training of Statisticians in the ECAFE Region that an institute for statistics be established for the purpose of supplementing the flow of professional statisticians for government service,

Requests the Executive Secretary to examine existing facilities in the statistical field in the ECAFE region and to take appropriate steps with a view to establishing an Asian institute for training and research in statistics, as soon as possible;

Further requests the Executive Secretary to continue assisting countries in establishing facilities for the training of personnel at all required levels.

347th meeting,  
31 March 1966.