

Recommends further that:

- (a) these Governments accord higher priorities to housing, urban and regional planning programmes in their development plans;
- (b) the existing training and research facilities in urban planning be expanded.

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80 (XXIII). Asian Industrial Development Council

The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East,

Recalling its resolution 68 (XXII) of 31 March 1966 on the establishment of the Asian Industrial Development Council capable of effectively assisting the developing countries of the ECAFE region in the promotion and acceleration of industrial development,

Reaffirming its belief that there is an urgent need for intensifying national efforts as well as for furthering close co-operation at the sub-regional and regional levels in promoting industrial development in the developing countries of the region in order to ensure better utilization of resources and thus achieve a much faster rate of economic growth than at present,

Noting with satisfaction the establishment of the Asian Industrial Development Council in September 1966 and the formation of an advisory group on development policies,

Noting further that the Council has identified a number of industrial projects for early consideration for multi-national action,

Expressing its gratitude to member countries of ECAFE for their support to the work of the Council and for their willingness to consider making available their national experts to serve the Council,

Recording its appreciation of UNIDO's close collaboration in the work of the Council, and of the United Nations General Assembly's approval of a special budget for the work of the Council for 1967,

Bearing in mind the urgency and magnitude of the tasks entrusted to the Council,

Invites all Governments of member countries of ECAFE and the international organizations concerned, especially UNIDO and UNDP, to give high priority as far as possible to the work of the Council and to extend all possible assistance and co-operation;

Draws the attention of international and regional development and financing agencies to the investment needs of the industrial projects in the region;

Endorses, subject to the United Nations over-all budgetary programme, the proposed budget for the Council as stated in document I&NR/AIDC.2/4;

Requests the Executive Secretary to take steps to mobilize all possible assistance to enable the Council to operate effectively.

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82 (XXIII). Standardization activities

The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East,

Recalling (a) Economic and Social Council resolution 1182 (XLI) of 5 August 1966 highlighting the importance of standardization in the industrial development of developing countries, (b) the conclusions of the United Nations Inter-Regional Seminar on the Promotion of Industrial Standardization in the Developing Countries, held at Helsingor, Denmark, in October 1965, (c) the results of the Working Group on the Development of Standards Institutions in the ECAFE Region, held at Bangkok in December 1966, and (d) the sectoral study on standardization, patents and marketing prepared in August 1965 for the first Asian Conference on Industrialization,