Chapter IV

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION AT ITS FORTY-FOURTH SESSION

264 (XLIV). Strengthening activities for technical and economic co-operation among developing countries in the ESCAP region¹/

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Bearing in mind the Buenos Aires Plan of Action for Promoting and Implementing Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 42/179 of 11 December 1987 on strengthening and improving intergovernmental programming exercises for technical co-operation among developing countries,

Recalling further its resolution 245 (XLI) of 29 March 1985 on mobilization of resources for the promotion of and support for technical and economic co-operation activities among developing countries,

Recognizing the importance of technical and economic co-operation among developing countries in the reinforcement of the individual and collective self-reliance of the ESCAP developing members and associate members, and in the promotion of their socio-economic development,

Reaffirming that intergovernmental programming exercises for technical cooperation among developing countries constitute a useful mechanism for promoting technical and economic co-operation among developing countries in the ESCAP region,

- 1. Recommends that regional intergovernmental programming exercises, sectoral or comprehensive, for technical co-operation among developing countries continue to be held in accordance with the expressed needs of the developing countries of the region;
- 2. Invites developing countries of the region to support actively and participate in regional intergovernmental programming exercises for technical co-operation among developing countries and to take appropriate follow-up action in accordance with their own capacities and requirements;

- Invites the **ESCAP** developing members and associate members in position to do so to provide financial and technical support for activities on technical and economic co-operation among developing countries of the region, and in particular to consider contributing to the ESCAP supplementary fund for technical co-operation among developing countries, and also invites developed countries to give similar support;
- 4. Requests relevant organizations in the United Nations system, and other international and regional financing institutions, to assist activities on technical and economic co-operation among developing countries of the region;
- 5. Reaffirms the importance of the catalytic and supporting role of ESCAP in promoting activities for technical and economic co-operation among developing countries of the region;
- 6. Requests the Executive Secretary to give greater emphasis to the activities on technical and economic co-operation among developing countries in formulating the programme of work of the Commission;
- 7. Further requests the Executive Secretary to assist developing members and associate members of the region in implementing activities for technical and economic co-operation among developing countries;
- 8. Requests the Executive Secretary to report to the Commission at its forty-sixth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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265 (XLIV). Social aspects of rural development²/

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Recalling the Declaration on Social Progress and Development contained in General Assembly resolution 2542 (XXIV)

^{1/} See paras. 719-726 above.

^{2/} See para. 552 above.