Expressing appreciation to the United Nations Development Programme for its financial and substantive support of the implementation of the Jakarta Plan of Action,

1. Calls upon all members and associate members of the Commission to intensify their efforts to promote human resources development through the active implementation of the Jakarta Plan of Action;

2. Invites all development partners, both bilateral and multilateral, to support and participate actively in the regional initiative to promote human resources development through the implementation of the Jakarta Plan of Action;

3. Urges the United Nations Development Programme to provide adequate funding under its fifth intercountry programme to support the further implementation of the Jakarta Plan of Action;

4. Requests the Executive Secretary to continue to provide, subject to available financial resources, upon request, support to the activities of the ESCAP Network of National Focal Points for Human Resources Development, particularly in the following areas:

(a) Strengthening linkages among government agencies and between them and nongovernmental organizations and the private sector;

(b) Adopting an integrated approach to human resources development;

(c) Building a human resources development information base;

(d) Promoting the training of public sector and non-governmental organization personnel in human resources development-related skills;

(e) Enhancing public awareness of the concept and practice of human resources development as elaborated in the Jakarta Plan of Action;

(f) Establishing, in each participating country and area, a national advisory mechanism to provide conceptual guidance to human resources development initiatives at the national level;

(g) Monitoring and evaluating the implementation of the Jakarta Plan of Action;

5. Further requests the Executive Secretary:

(a) To prepare standardized procedures for use by Governments in the systematic monitoring and evaluation of the implementation of the Jakarta Plan of Action;

(b) To conduct a review of the status of implementation of the Jakarta Plan of Action by members and associate members of the Commission; (c) To convene an expert group meeting to re-examine the Jakarta Plan of Action with a view to refining it to ensure its continued relevance to changing conditions in the region;

(d) To refine the Jakarta Plan of Action in conformity with the findings of the above expert group meeting for submission to the Commission at its fiftieth session.

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48/7. Guidelines for consumer protection⁷

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 39/248 of 9 April 1985, in which the Assembly adopted guidelines for consumer protection,

Noting with satisfaction the recommendations of the United Nations Regional Seminar on Consumer Protection for Asia and the Pacific, held at ESCAP from 19 to 22 June 1990,

Noting also Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/85 of 27 July 1990 on consumer protection, in which the Secretary-General was requested in cooperation with, *inter alia*, the regional commissions of the United Nations to continue to provide assistance to Governments, in particular to those of developing countries and other interested countries, in implementing the guidelines for consumer protection, and to develop a programme of action for the next five years on the implementation of the guidelines,

1. Commends the Executive Secretary on the efforts currently being undertaken by ESCAP to promote the implementation of the guidelines for consumer protection;

2. Requests the Executive Secretary, in cooperation with non-governmental organizations and development funds and programmes of the United Nations, and other relevant bodies and agencies in the United Nations system, to promote the implementation of the United Nations guidelines for consumer protection, initiate specific activities to follow up the recommendations of the Regional Seminar on Consumer Protection for Asia and the Pacific and to seek such extrabudgetary contributions as may be necessary for that purpose.

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⁷ See paras. 539 above.