- 3. Invites the Asian Development Bank, the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank and interested United Nations agencies and organizations, as well as bilateral donor countries and the members and associate members of the Commission, to collaborate actively with the secretariat in its efforts to implement the action programme;
- 4. Requests the Executive Secretary to report annually on the progress in the implementation of the action programme, beginning with the fiftieth session of the Commission.

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49/2. Resource mobilization for the implementation of the regional action programme for phase II (1992-1996) of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific<sup>2</sup>

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Recalling its resolution 236 (XL) of 27 April 1984 on the proclamation of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific, 1985-1994, Economic and Social Council resolution 1984/78 of 27 July 1984, in which the Council endorsed resolution 236 (XL), and General Assembly resolution 39/227 of 18 December 1984, in which the Assembly proclaimed a Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific,

Recalling Commission resolution 47/10 of 10 April 1991 on phase II of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific, 1985-1994, in which the Commission decided that the programmes for the Decade should be redesigned and the period of the second quinquennium modified to 1992-1996, and in which it urged the United Nations Development Programme to provide funds for developing the regional action programme,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/75 of 26 July 1991, in which the Council endorsed Commission resolution 47/10, and General Assembly decision 46/453 of 20 December 1991 by which the Assembly endorsed Council resolution 1991/75,

Recalling further the Declaration of Ministers Responsible for Transport and Communications: Launching of Phase II (1992-1996) of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific of 5 June 1992, in which the Governments of the ESCAP region endorsed the regional action programme,

Reaffirming the agreement of the Meeting of Ministers Responsible for Transport and Communications, held at Bangkok in June 1992, that the issue of resource mobilization for the implementation of the regional action programme was of equal importance with the formulation of a sound programme, and that the success of the implementation of the programme, and therefore of the Decade, would depend heavily on assistance from donors,

Noting the statement of the representative of the United Nations Development Programme at the first meeting of the Inter-agency Steering Committee on Phase II (1992-1996) of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific, held at Geneva in December 1992, that US\$ 12 million had been allocated for the regional action programme under the Programme's theme of economic reform and, therefore, there was no possibility of additional funding from the intercountry indicative planning figure, and noting that the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme will review the regional indicative planning figure at the mid-term review exercise in 1994,

Deeply concerned at the drastic decrease in the level of funds allocated by the United Nations Development Programme for the fifth cycle, which is 75 per cent less than the approximately US\$ 48 million allocated for the fourth cycle (1987-1991) including US\$ 6 million from the Special Programme Resources to eight United Nations organizations and specialized agencies for the implementation of projects related to transport and communications in Asia and the Pacific.

Noting with appreciation the cooperation and support of the United Nations Development Programme in the preparation of the regional action programme for phase II (1992-1996) of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific, nevertheless stresses that the regional action programme cannot be implemented effectively and efficiently without adequate funds, particularly from the United Nations Development Programme,

Reaffirming the high priority that Commission gives to phase II (1992-1996) of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific.

Recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the draft resolution annexed to the

present resolution.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See para. 188 above.

## Annex

DRAFT ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL
RESOLUTION ON RESOURCE MOBILIZATION
FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
REGIONAL ACTION PROGRAMME FOR
PHASE II (1992-1996) OF THE TRANSPORT
AND COMMUNICATIONS DECADE
FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

"The Economic and Social Council,

"Recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

"The General Assembly,

"Noting resolution 49/2 of 29 April 1993 of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific on resource mobilization for the implementation of the regional action programme for phase II (1992-1996) of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific,

"Recalling General Assembly resolution 39/227 of 18 December 1984, by which the Assembly proclaimed a Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific during the period 1985-1994, and Economic and Social Council resolution 1984/78 of 27 July 1984 on the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific, 1985-1994,

"Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/75 of 26 July 1991, in which the Council urged all appropriate organizations, particularly the United Nations Development Programme, to contribute effectively to the formulation and implementation of a regional action programme for the second quinquennium of the Decade, and General Assembly decision 46/453 of 20 December 1991, by which the Assembly endorsed Council resolution 1991/75,

"Reaffirming the importance of phase II (1992-1996) of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific,

"Concerned that the regional action programme may not be able to be implemented effectively and efficiently without adequate funds, particularly from the United Nations Development Programme, and noting the decision of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme in this regard,

"1. Requests the United Nations Development Programme, in the light of General Assembly decision 46/453 of 20 December 1991 on phase II of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific, 1985-1994, to reconsider its decision regarding the level of funding to be provided for the implementation of the regional action programme so as to enable phase II (1992-1996) of the Decade to have greater impact;

- "2. Requests bilateral donors to take note of General Assembly decision 46/453, so as to ensure that the programme approved by the Meeting of Ministers Responsible for Transport and Communications, held at Bangkok in June 1992, will be implemented effectively;
- "3. *Invites* all Governments in a position to do so to contribute to the implementation of the programme approved by the Meeting of Ministers;
- "4. Requests the Secretary-General to report on the action taken to the General Assembly at its fortyeighth session."

## 49/3. Tehran Declaration on Strengthening Regional Cooperation for Technology-led Industrialization in Asia and the Pacific<sup>3</sup>

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Bearing in mind General Assembly resolution 47/153 of 18 December 1992 on industrial development cooperation, as well as Assembly resolution 47/171 of 22 December 1992 on privatization in the context of economic restructuring, economic growth and sustainable development, in which the Assembly welcomed the activities being undertaken by relevant organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system in supporting national efforts aimed at increasing economic efficiency, growth and sustainable development,

Bearing in mind also General Assembly resolution 45/206 of 21 December 1990 on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s,

Recalling the Vienna Programme of Action on Science and Technology for Development, adopted by the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development in 1979, and resolution GC.3/Res. 18 of 23 November 1989 on the Special Programme for the Industrial Development of Asia and the Pacific, adopted by the Third General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization,

Recalling its resolution 235 (XL) of 27 April 1984 on the Tokyo Programme on Technology for Development in Asia and the Pacific,

Recalling also its resolution 47/2 of 10 April 1991 on the Seoul Plan of Action for Promoting Industrial Restructuring in Asia and the Pacific and its adoption of the Seoul Plan of Action at its forty-eighth session in April 1992,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See para. 205 above.