129(XI) <u>Strengthening of national capabilities in the field of household surveys</u>

The Economic Commission for Western Asia,

Taking note of the report of the Executive Secretary on progress made in the field of regional technical co-operations particularly with regard to the strengthening of national capabilities in the field of household surveys.

Recalling that the programme on the strengthening of national capabilities in the field of household surveys was established to help the members of the Commission to secure through household surveys, a constant flow of the statistical information needed for the formulation and approval of development plans and policies as well as the enhancement of their national capabilities to carry out such surveys,

Aware that a number of States which prepared detailed household survey programmes have been unable to begin their implementation owing to the lack of requisite technical and financial resources,

<u>Mindful</u> of the importance of the technical assistance in that field provided by the secretariat's Household Survey Unit to members of the Commission.

- 1. <u>Emphasizes</u> the need to enable all States members of the Commission which have prepared household survey programmes to implement those programmes with a view to their utilization in development planning operations, taking advantage of the technical services provided by the Commission's secretariat in that respect;
- 2. Urges financial organizations and bodies to continue to provide such financial and technical support within the framework of their technical co-operation programmes, as to enable the members of the Commission to implement their national household survey programmes.

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