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**REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION**

**FOLLOW-UP ACTION ON THE RESOLUTIONS OF
THE COMMISSION**

- (i) Commission resolution 133(XII) on the designation of
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1. At its twelfth session the Economic Commission for Western Asia adopted resolution 133(XII) on the designation of the Economic Commission for Western Asia in which it recommended that the Economic and Social Council should designate the Economic Commission for Western Asia as the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia, thereby amending the terms of reference of the Commission as contained in Council resolution 1818(LV) of 9 August 1973 to conform to the new designation. It also requested the Executive Secretary to submit a report on the implementation of that resolution to the Commission at its thirteenth session.

2. The Economic Commission for Western Asia brought resolution 133(XII) to the attention of the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session, held from 3 to 26 July 1985, for necessary action.

3. The Economic and Social Council took into consideration the Economic Commission for Western Asia resolution 133(XII). Based on it, the Council adopted at its 52nd plenary meeting of 26 July 1985 resolution 1985/69 on amendment of the terms of reference of the Economic Commission for Western Asia, in which the Council decided the following: first, to change the name of the Economic Commission for Western Asia to the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia; and secondly, to amend the terms of reference of the Commission as contained in Council resolution 1818(LV) to reflect the new name. The Commission in pursuance to this apprised the members of the Commission, and all concerned, of the new designation.

4. To reflect the new designation on the work of the Commission and enhance its activities in social development, the Secretariat suggested, while restructuring the chart of its substantive divisions, that the Social Development and Population Division be renamed and divided into two divisions: (1) the Social Development and Human Resources Division; and (2) the Population and Human Settlements Division. The former will be comprised of the following units: (a) Social Integration and Change Section; (b) Women's Research and Training Unit; and (c) Human Resources Development Unit. It is to be noted that units (a) and (b) are expanded and that (c) is a new one. The Population Division was also expanded to include the following: (a) Population Section; (b) Human Settlements Section; and (c) Environment Co-ordination Unit. The number of Professional posts in the original division was four, a figure that will be increased to nine in the Social Development and Human Resources Division alone.

