

**228 (XXI). CHANGE IN THE TIMING OF THE SESSIONS OF THE SIX
SUBSIDIARY BODIES OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL
COMMISSION FOR WESTERN ASIA**

The Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia,

Recalling its successive resolutions adopted during the period 1992-1999 on the establishment of the six subsidiary bodies of the Commission,²

Further recalling paragraph 2 of ESCWA resolution 219 (XX) of 27 May 1999 on the frequency of sessions of the subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia, which emphasizes that the sessions of said bodies shall be held once every two years,

Desirous of reinforcing the initiative taken by the secretariat in consulting member States and relevant United Nations offices on programme-related issues at the planning stage, in particular during the formulation of the medium-term plan and the programme budget,

1. *Decides* that the sessions of the subsidiary bodies of ESCWA shall be held not later than the end of the year prior to the holding of the session of the Commission, in order to avoid any confusion with the work of that session;

2. *Also decides* that directives contained in this resolution shall supersede all directives contained in the other relevant resolutions.

3rd plenary meeting
11 May 2001

² Resolutions 179 (XVI) of 2 September 1992, 198 (XVII) of 31 May 1994, 204 (XVIII) of 25 May 1995, 205 (XVIII) of 2 May 1995, 213 (XIX) of 7 May 1997, and 214 (XIX) of 7 May 1997.