

The Economic Commission for Western Asia,

Taking into consideration the objectives for which it was established, especially the adoption of measures for facilitating co-ordinated action for economic development and construction, raising the level of economic activity and maintaining and strengthening economic relationships among the countries of the region on the basis of economic integration,

Taking note of the fact that the circumstances through which one of the member States of the Commission has passed led that member State to redirect its course, thereby opening a gap which will have a future impact on the cohesiveness of the States of the Commission and on their common effort to achieve the aforementioned objectives,

Responding to the desire of the member States as a whole to preserve cohesiveness in their policies, which is essential for achieving the objectives of the Commission,

Decides to reconsider its resolution 37 (IV) adopted on 28 April 1977 and recommends that the Economic and Social Council suspend the membership of the Arab Republic of Egypt in the Commission.

2. At its fifth meeting, on 1 May 1979, the Commission decided to bring the following decision to the attention of the Economic and Social Council:

The Economic Commission for Western Asia, at its sixth session, endorsed the draft programme of work and priorities for 1980-1981 contained in document E/ECWA/74, after taking into consideration the observations made by certain member States.

3. At the same meeting, the Commission decided to recommend the following draft resolution for adoption by the Economic and Social Council:

"The Economic and Social Council,

"1. Takes note of the report of the Economic Commission for Western Asia on its sixth session and of the recommendations and resolutions contained in chapters I and IV of the report;

"2. Endorses the Commission's programme of work and priorities for 1980-1981 as contained in document E/ECWA/74."