81 (VII). Inclusion of a programme on the environment in the work programme of the Economic Commission for Western Asia

The Economic Commission for Western Asia,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 33/193 of 29 January 1979 which emphasized that the international development strategy for the third United Nations development decade should, inter alia, reflect in an appropriate manner "the need for the protection of the environment ... taking environmental considerations into account in accordance with the development plans and priorities of developing countries",

Aware that the efforts exerted for development in the ECWA region are giving rise to increased concern for the environment,

Taking note with appreciation of the note of the Executive Secretary on the Regional Seminar on Alternative Patterns of Development and Life Styles in Western Asia (E/ECWA/107),

- l. <u>Urges</u> member States to take into consideration as appropriate the recommendations of the Regional Seminar on Alternative Patterns of Development and Life Styles in Western Asia, at the national and regional levels;
- 2. Requests the Executive Secretary to establish an environment programme starting in 1984;
- 3. Further requests the Executive Secretary to submit to the Commission at its eighth session a report on the action taken pursuant to the present resolution.

7th meeting 22 April 1980