

91(VIII). Disabled persons

The Economic Commission for Western Asia,

Recalling its resolution 87(VII) of 23 April 1980 concerning the International Year of Disabled Persons, .

Recalling General Assembly resolution 34/154 of 17 December 1979,

Noting with appreciation the activities organized in connexion with the International Year of Disabled Persons by Governments, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations in the region of Western Asia,

Conscious of the importance of continuing and strengthening the initiatives and activities of the International Year of Disabled Persons,

Referring to the note of the Executive Secretary on the International Year of Disabled Persons<sup>1/</sup>,

Taking into consideration the document entitled "Disabled Persons in the ECWA-region: Features and dimensions of the problem and a regional plan of action"<sup>2/</sup>,

1. Supports the regional plan of action mentioned above <sup>2/</sup>;
2. Requests the Executive Secretary to transmit that document<sup>2/</sup> to the secretariat of the International Year of Disabled Persons as a regional contribution to the long-term programme of action for disabled persons to be considered by the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session;
3. Urges States members of the Commission to elaborate and implement long-term programmes of action concerning disablement;
4. Requests the Executive Secretary to strengthen the work of the Commission in the field of the prevention of disablement and the training of disabled persons, within the framework of the Commission's social development programme and within the context of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade;
5. Requests the Secretary-General to continue and to follow-up the initiatives and activities of the International Year of Disabled Persons and, in particular, to implement the long-term programme of action for disabled persons.

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