

93(VIII). International Development Strategy for the
Third United Nations Development Decade

The Economic Commission for Western Asia,

Recalling its resolution 56(V) on its long-term goals and regional development strategy and resolution 76(VI) on the establishment of an intergovernmental committee of development experts from the member States of ECWA for the purpose of preparing a report on the views of the ECWA region on the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade,

Recalling also its deliberations during the seventh session of the Commission concerning the regional development strategy for the 1980s,

Noting with appreciation the follow-up action of the Executive Secretary in support of the development strategy for the ECWA region,^{1/}

Taking note of General Assembly resolution 35/56, in which the Assembly adopted the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade, annexed to that resolution,

1. Calls upon the Executive Secretary to facilitate the implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade by offering assistance to the member States in the following tasks:

- (a) The assessment of the implication of the effects of the International Development Strategy to the ECWA region, having due regard to the priorities established by the regional development strategy;
- (b) The translation of the general objectives and aspirations of the International Development Strategy, as well as the general policy measures adopted in connexion therewith, into specific national goals and targets that conform to the needs and circumstances prevailing at the regional and the subregional levels;
- (c) The undertaking of a periodic review and appraisal of progress made in the implementation of the Strategy in the region, with due consideration for the possibility of adjusting general policy measures in the light of evolving needs and recent developments at the national and the regional levels;

2. Also calls upon the Executive Secretary to submit a report on the subject to the Commission at its ninth session.

8th meeting
6 May 1981