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RENAMING OF THE REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS

RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

1. At its 1925th meeting on 11 December 1970, the General Assembly recommended in its resolution 2686(XXV) concerning the regional economic commissions that the Economic and Social Council should consider renaming the commissions.
2. The Conference will no doubt wish to examine this proposal and present its views to the Economic and Social Council.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

[On the report of the Second Committee (A/8203/Add.1)]
2686(XXV). Regional economic commissions

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations relating to economic and social development, particularly Chapter IX on international economic and social co-operation and Chapter X pertaining, inter alia, to the mandate and functions of the Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the relevant resolutions of the Economic and Social Council on the terms of reference and functions of the regional economic commissions,

Taking into account the statements made in the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and other United Nations bodies on the need for uniformity in nomenclature of these commissions in keeping with their terms of reference and functions,

Noting the importance of the unified or integrated socio-economic approach to development which the regional economic commissions have adopted and will be called upon to put into practice particularly in the context of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade,^{1/}

Considering that the renaming of the regional economic commissions to correspond with the true nature of their activities in the economic and social fields would further emphasize the importance of an integrated socio-economic approach to development, particularly in the developing countries,

Recommends that the Economic and Social Council consider, in consultation with the Secretary-General and taking into account the views of the regional economic commissions and those expressed on this subject at the twenty-fifth session of the General Assembly, the renaming of the commissions as follows: Economic and Social Commission for Europe; Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Far East; Economic and Social Commission for Latin America; and Economic and Social Commission for Africa.

1725th plenary meeting
11 December 1970

^{1/} General Assembly resolution 2626(XXV).