Resolution 335 (S-VI) Programme Plan of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia for 2021

The Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia,

Recognizing the importance of following up on and keeping pace with the ongoing reforms of the United Nations, the need to respond to rapidly changing development priorities in the Arab region, and the necessity of providing support to member States in achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,

Emphasizing the importance of adopting a comprehensive approach to reform in the Commission to achieve the desired results, including by developing the internal structure of the secretariat, increasing the effectiveness and efficiency of its work, facilitating administrative procedures, and maximizing the benefits of new technologies,

Noting with appreciation the efforts undertaken by its Executive Secretary to date to improve service delivery and increase effectiveness and efficiency of work procedures,

Having reviewed the document on progress in ESCWA reform (E/ESCWA/S-6/14) and the proposed programme plan for 2021 (E/ESCWA/S-6/16),

1. Adopts the proposed programme plan contained in document E/ESCWA/S-6/16;

2. Welcomes the changes to the structure of the Commission as set out in document E/ESCWA/S-6/14;

3. Requests the Executive Secretary to take the necessary measures to ensure the full implementation of the programme plan and subprogrammes as amended, including modifying and harmonizing the internal structure of ESCWA, and member States support the Executive Secretary in implementing these procedures and in requesting additional resources to that end if needed.

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