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Recalling General Assembly resolution 45/129 of 14 December 1990 on the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-Looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women, in which the General Assembly endorsed Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/12 of 24 May 1990 recommending that a world conference on women be held in 1995,

Recalling also resolution 35/4 of the Commission on the Status of Women of 8 March 1991 on preparations for the Fourth World Conference on Women in 1995,

Taking into account the fact that the World Conference on Women should result in the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-Looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women for the period up to the year 2000,

1. Stresses the need to strengthen national and regional institutional mechanisms for the advancement of women;

2. Appeals to member States of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia as well as to regional and international donors to provide the secretariat of the Commission with the financial and other support needed to convene a regional preparatory meeting during 1994 for the Fourth World Conference on Women: Action for Equality, Development and Peace, to be held in September 1995 in Beijing, China, including the establishment of national focal points to initiate and promote preparations for the Conference.

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