The Economic Commission for Western Asia,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 1818 (LV) of 9 August 1973, in particular paragraph 4,

Bearing in mind its provisional rules of procedure, and in particular rules 16 and 63.

1. Decides, subject to the approval of the Economic and Social Council, to establish, pursuant to rule 16 of its provisional rules of procedure, a standing committee composed of representatives of all States members of the Commission which shall, for the purpose of giving advice on arrangements for the sessions of the Commission and meetings organized under the Commission's auspices as well as on other matters, perform the following functions:

(a) Examine requests received by the secretariat to participate in the deliberations of a session of the Commission and make appropriate recommendations to the Commission in respect of those requests;

(b) On the request of the Executive Secretary, give guidance to him on questions relating to attendance at meetings, seminars and workshops organized by the secretariat in connexion with the performance of the Commission's functions;

(c) On the request of the Commission, provide advice to it or to the Executive Secretary on any other matters referred to it by the Commission;

2. Further decides that the aforesaid Standing Committee, when established, should hold one regular annual meeting prior to the annual session of the Commission, to be devoted mainly to the function referred to in paragraph 1 (a), and ad hoc meetings as required, to be devoted to the functions referred to in paragraph 1 (b) and (c).

5th meeting
9 May 1975