253 (XXII). THE INCREASE OF DONATIONS TO THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMISSION FOR WESTERN ASIA

The Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia,

Recalling its resolution 236 (XXI) dated 11 May 2001 concerning the designation of the sessions of the Commission as the forum for a biennial pledging conference,

Affirming the importance of extrabudgetary resources in enabling the secretariat to expand the range of its activities and deal with unforeseen developments in the ESCWA region,

1. Thanks the member countries that have contributed to the Trust Fund for ESCWA Regional Activities;11

2. Also thanks the United Nations, international and regional organizations and the funds, individuals and other parties for their help in supporting Commission activities with extrabudgetary resources;

3. Urges member countries to increase their donations to match the voluntary funds made available to the other United Nations regional Commissions.

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11 To see names and contributions of donors, see E/ESCWA/22/4(Part VII)/Rev.1.