The Economic Commission for Western Asia,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 3362 (E-VII) on regional economic co-operation, 3442 (XXX) and 31/119 on economic co-operation among developing countries, 31/179 on technical co-operation among developing countries, and Economic and Social Council resolution 2043 (LXI) on strengthening the regional commissions for regional and interregional co-operation,

Recalling resolution (I) of the third Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77, held at Manila in February 1976, the Economic Declaration of the Fifth Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-aligned Countries, held at Colombo in August 1976, and the Conference on Economic Co-operation among Developing Countries, held at Mexico City in September 1976,

1. **Endorses** the Executive Secretary's report on the role of the regional commissions in promoting co-operation among developing countries (E/PCSA/52);

2. **Requests** the Executive Secretary to intensify his efforts in promoting co-operation among developing countries at the regional and interregional levels;

3. **Urges** member States to participate effectively in the forthcoming Regional Meeting on Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries to be held in Kuwait from 24 to 29 May 1977 as well as in the United Nations Conference on Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries to be held in Argentina in early 1978;

4. **Further urges** member States to establish or support focal points in order to give further impetus to their activities for the promotion of technical co-operation among developing countries.

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