

56 (V). Definition of long-term objectives
and regional development strategy

The Economic Commission for Western Asia,

Recognizing the importance of the efforts under way on the over-all economic perspective for the ECWA region up to the year 2000, with a view to providing ECWA Governments with over-all economic views on the development of the region in the context of the world economy; and identifying long-term economic problems of common interest and areas of mutually beneficial co-operation among member countries,

Taking note of the work so far carried out by the secretariat of the Commission on trends and prospects in the ECWA region,

Noting with appreciation the need for further articulating and harmonizing long-term development objectives and development strategies of member countries and reflecting effectively the views of member countries, especially on the global development strategy for the next decade,

Taking cognizance of the need for setting up an effective machinery to co-ordinate various United Nations efforts on long-term development prospects in the region and to adequately monitor the implementation of programmes of action at the country and regional levels,

Urges the Executive Secretary to take the necessary measures for preparing an over-all economic perspective for the ECWA region, to formulate a common regional development strategy, and to maintain a continuous dialogue on the urgent development issues of the coming decade.

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