The Arab Regional Documentation Centre for Economic and Social Development

The Economic Commission for Western Asia,

Recognizing the increasing need for information in the socio-economic development process in the Arab region,

Taking note with appreciation of the efforts of the Executive Secretary in studying the possibilities for regional co-operation in the field of development information (E/ECWA/57/Add.1),

Taking further note with appreciation of the valuable contribution of the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development and the Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development in carrying out a survey and a feasibility study for the establishment of an Arab Regional Documentation Centre for Economic and Social Development,

1. Requests the Executive Secretary to organize a regional meeting at the level of experts from all the Arab countries to consider this feasibility study;

2. Further requests the Executive Secretary to take appropriate measures for co-ordinating the efforts in this field with other or related projects in this area of the Arab world;

3. Calls upon regional financing institutions to consider continuing to contribute to the development of documentation infrastructure in the Arab region and to the efforts leading towards regional co-ordination and integration in this field.

10th meeting
6 October 1978