1. Requests the Executive Secretary, pursuant to resolution 182 (XXXIV), to take steps to make the practice of the announcement of intended contributions a regular feature of future Commission sessions along the lines adopted at the thirty-fourth and thirty-fifth sessions and to make available to the members and associate members and other donor countries appropriate information to facilitate the announcement of intended contributions;

2. Requests the members, associate members and other donor countries to indicate, whenever practicable, the level of their intended contributions for the following calendar year;

3. Urges members, associate members and other donor countries, especially the countries of the region and other countries which are in a position to make contributions to the Commission, to contribute generously for the implementation of the work programmes of the Commission and the regional training and research institutions under the auspices of the Commission and, in order to enable the secretariat to implement the work programme expeditiously, to endeavour to make payments of their contributions as early as possible in the calendar year;

4. Requests the Executive Secretary to consult the Secretary-General of the United Nations with a view to obtaining additional resources from the United Nations regular budget for the activities of the Commission;

5. Invites the Executive Secretary to continue efforts to obtain additional contributions from the United Nations Development Programme and other agencies, international financial institutions, organizations and foundations and other sources of extrabudgetary funds;

6. Further invites the Executive Secretary to submit a report to the Commission, at its thirty-sixth session, on progress in the implementation of the present resolution.

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196 (XXXV). Role of the co-operative movement in the social and economic development of the developing countries of Asia and the Pacific

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 2459 (XXIII) of 20 December 1968 and 3273 (XXIX) of 10 December 1974 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1668 (LII) of 1 June 1972,

Further recalling General Assembly resolutions 31/38 of 30 November 1976 on national experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for the purpose of social progress and 33/47 of 14 December 1978 on national experience in promoting the co-operative movement,

Recalling its resolutions 161 (XXXII) of 31 March 1976 and 172 (XXXIII) of 29 April 1977 on the integrated programme on rural development and 180 (XXXIV) of 17 March 1978 entitled “Economic and social development strategy for the 1980s”,

Recognizing that co-operatives play an important role in socio-economic development, in particular, through mobilization and national utilization of human, financial and other resources and through the participation of the population as a whole in the process of development at the local level,

Taking into account the experience of the countries of the region in promoting the co-operative movement,

1. Requests the Executive Secretary, in cooperation, if necessary, with relevant United Nations agencies in the region, to prepare for discussion at the thirty-seventh session of the Commission, a report summarizing the experience of member countries in promoting the co-operative movement with reference, in particular, to rural areas and to the participation of women and youth in the co-operative movement and to the role of co-operatives in socio-economic development, as a regional contribution to the report being prepared by the Secretary-General for the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session;

2. Invites member countries to submit to the Executive Secretary, if possible before the middle of 1980, reports on national experience in promoting the co-operative movement;

3. Requests the Executive Secretary to take into account, in preparing the regional report, the comments and recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session.

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197 (XXXV). Role of the public sector in promoting the economic and social development of the developing countries of Asia and the Pacific

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 3335 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974, 3488 (XXX) of 12

12 See para. 475 above.

13 See para. 506 above.