(a) The voluntary contributions of the members and associate members of the Commission;
(b) Funds received from other Governments;
(c) Funds received from international and national institutions;
(d) Moneys received for services furnished by the Centre;
(e) Other funds or moneys received by the Centre.

27. The Centre may also receive contributions of a non-financial nature.

28. The Commission shall at each session review the state of the resources of the Centre, on the basis of the report of the Board, and make such recommendations as it may deem appropriate, to ensure that timely and adequate resources are always available to the Centre and its programmes.

29. The Centre shall be administered on a sound economic and financial basis.

Relations with other United Nations bodies and specialized agencies and other international institutions

30. The Centre may establish and maintain such relations as it may deem appropriate with other United Nations bodies and specialized agencies and other international institutions.

221 (XXXVIII). Asia-Pacific trade expositions

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Reaffirming its commitment to the promotion of collective self-reliance among the developing countries of the region, consistent with the aims of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade, through, inter alia, the promotion of international trade and the dissemination and exchange of information on industrial and technological capabilities,

Recalling its resolution 61 (XXI) of 25 March 1965 on an Asian International Trade Fair,

Recalling further the successful Asian trade fairs held at Bangkok in 1966, Teheran in 1969 and New Delhi in 1972, in which there was wide participation by members and associate members and which contributed significantly to the promotion of regional and interregional trade,

Recalling also the decision of the Subgroup for a Network of Trade Promotion Centres of the Trade Co-operation Group that an Asian trade fair would contribute to the promotion of intraregional trade,

Recognizing that the holding of international trade fairs and expositions constitutes a practical means of fostering regional economic co-operation and international trade and of disseminating information on trade, industrial and technological capabilities,

Convinced that participation in international trade fairs and expositions by all members and associate members will contribute greatly to their success,

1. Requests the Executive Secretary to consult interested member countries and relevant international organizations on the possibilities of organizing a trade exposition among member countries of the Commission and of providing assistance for the participation of those member countries of the region which require such assistance;

2. Requests the Executive Secretary, in the event of such an exposition being held, to evaluate the benefits to member countries of the region with a view to the Commission's deciding on the question of holding such expositions on a regular basis, as may be convenient and appropriate, at suitable venues within the region;

3. Urges individual members and associate members to consider the possibility of hosting such expositions;

4. Requests the Executive Secretary to report to the Commission at its thirty-ninth session on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.

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222 (XXXVIII). Terms of reference of the legislative committees of the Commission

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Recalling its resolution 210 (XXXVI) of 29 March 1980, in which it, inter alia, requested the Executive Secretary, in consultation with the Advisory Committee of Permanent Representatives and Other Representatives Designated by Members of the Commission, to adjust or reformulate, as might be necessary, the terms of reference of the legislative committees, in line with the changes in the conference structure of the Commission, to submit the proposed terms of reference to the respective legislative committees for review

3 See paras. 888-889 above.
and to present them for consideration and approval by the Commission.

Recalling also its resolution 219 (XXXVII) of 20 March 1981, in which it, inter alia, emphasized the need to enhance co-ordination of activities and to avoid duplication of efforts in the field of socio-economic development undertaken by the United Nations system at the regional level, and to enhance the responsiveness of the United Nations in all appropriate sectors to the needs of the developing countries,

Noting that proposed terms of reference formulated in consultation with the Advisory Committee have been reviewed during the past two years by the respective legislative committees and by the Second Asian and Pacific Ministerial Conference on Social Welfare and Social Development, held in October 1980, in the case of the terms of reference of the Committee on Social Development,

Noting further that such a review has not been possible in respect of the terms of reference of the Committee on Population consequent to the Commission's decision at its thirty-seventh session to cancel the Committee's 1981 session in favour of the Third Asian and Pacific Population Conference, to be held in 1982,

Mindful of the desirability of the use of similar terminology, as far as possible, in the terms of reference of all the committees,

Decides that the terms of reference of its legislative committees shall be as given in the annex to the present resolution.

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Annex

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

The Committee on Agricultural Development shall have the following functions:

1. To review and analyse the situation as regards food and agricultural development in the region in the context of economic and social development;

2. To consider and make recommendations on the plans and programmes in the field of food and agricultural development in the region, with particular emphasis on food and agricultural policies and strategies for rural development;

3. To review and evaluate the activities of the secretariat in the field of food and agricultural development and make recommendations on the formulation and implementation of the programme of work in this field, with particular emphasis on activities in priority areas as defined by the Commission from time to time, taking into account the work being done in this field by the United Nations and other relevant organizations, particularly the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations;

4. To perform such other functions and activities as the Commission may request in all matters concerning food and agricultural development in the region;

5. To liaise as necessary with, and to take into account the relevant recommendations of, other legislative committees established by the Commission and other relevant bodies.

The Committee shall meet every year and report to the Commission.

COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT PLANNING

The Committee on Development Planning shall have the following functions:

1. To review and analyse the progress of development in the region and to make recommendations on developmental strategies and policies of importance to the region;

2. To review the use of planning in the region and to make recommendations on matters concerning plan formulation, implementation and evaluation;

3. To review and make recommendations for policy-oriented research and action on problems of development and planning of importance for the region, particularly those which need priority attention and which are relevant for the promotion of regional and sub-regional co-operation;

4. To review and evaluate the activities of the secretariat in the fields of (a) development planning, projections and policies and (b) transnational corporations, and to make recommendations on the formulation and implementation of the programme of work in these fields, with particular emphasis on activities in priority areas as defined by the Commission from time to time, taking into account the work being done in these fields by the United Nations and other relevant organizations, particularly the Asian and Pacific Development Centre;

5. To perform such other functions and activities as the Commission may request in all matters concerning (a) development planning, projections and policies and (b) transnational corporations;

6. To liaise as necessary with, and to take into account the relevant recommendations of, other legislative committees established by the Commission and other relevant bodies.

The Committee shall meet every year and report to the Commission.
COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRY, TECHNOLOGY, HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

The Committee on Industry, Technology, Human Settlements and the Environment shall have the following functions:

1. To review and analyse the plans, policies and strategies and examine problems of industrial development in the region;

2. To review and make recommendations on the implementation of projects for industrial development, including those identified by the former Asian Industrial Development Council, whose activities shall be subsumed under those of the Committee;

3. To review and analyse the progress and problems of science and technology and to recommend measures for strengthening technological capabilities and facilitating transfer of technology in the region;

4. To review and analyse the progress and problems and recommend measures pertaining to human settlements and the environment, taking account of national, regional and global efforts in these fields;

5. To promote regional and subregional co-operation in the fields of industry, technology, human settlements and the environment;

6. To review and evaluate the activities of the secretariat in the fields of industry, technology, human settlements and the environment and make recommendations on the formulation and implementation of the programme of work in these fields, with particular emphasis on activities in priority areas as defined by the Commission from time to time, taking into account the work being done in these fields by the United Nations and other relevant organizations, particularly the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements, the United Nations Centre for Science and Technology for Development and the United Nations Environment Programme;

7. To perform such other functions and activities as the Commission may request in all matters concerning industry, technology, human settlements and the environment in the region;

8. To liaise as necessary with, and to take into account the relevant recommendations of, other legislative committees established by the Commission and other relevant bodies.

The Committee shall meet once every year and take up separately, but not exclusively, every second year, the subjects of industry and technology, and human settlements and the environment, and report to the Commission.

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Natural Resources shall have the following functions:

1. To review and analyse the progress in natural resources development in the region, in particular in the field of water, energy and mineral resources development;

2. To discuss in depth technical and other relevant subjects dealing with water, energy and mineral resources;

3. To consider and make recommendations on the policies, strategies, methods and techniques for the proper investigation, development and utilization of water, energy and mineral resources, having due regard to economic, social and environmental considerations, to identify problems impeding the desirable rate of progress in these fields, and to recommend appropriate measures, including required training programmes;

4. To promote regional and subregional co-operation in water, energy and mineral resources development among the countries concerned;

5. To review and evaluate the activities of the secretariat in the field of water, energy and mineral resources development and to make recommendations on the formulation and implementation of the programme of work in these fields, with particular emphasis on activities in priority areas as defined by the Commission from time to time, taking into account the work being done in these fields by the United Nations and other relevant organizations;

6. To perform such other functions and activities as the Commission may request in all matters concerning water, energy and mineral resources development in the region;

7. To liaise as necessary with, and to take into account the relevant recommendations of, other legislative committees established by the Commission and other relevant bodies.

The Committee shall meet once every year and take up separately, but not exclusively, every third year, the subjects of energy, water and mineral resources development, and report to the Commission.

COMMITTEE ON POPULATION

The Committee on Population shall have the following functions:

1. To review and analyse the current and prospective population situation in the countries of the region;

2. To consider and make recommendations on all aspects of population questions in the light of their
interrelationship with the development process with a view to expediting the achievement of balanced development;

3. To review and evaluate the activities of the secretariat in the field of population and to make recommendations on the formulation and implementation of the programme of work in this field, with particular emphasis on activities in priority areas as defined by the Commission from time to time, taking into account the work being done in this field by the United Nations and other relevant organizations;

4. To perform such other functions and activities as the Commission may request in all matters concerning population problems in the region;

5. To liaise as necessary with, and to take into account the relevant recommendations of, other legislative committees established by the Commission and other relevant bodies.

The Committee shall meet every odd year and report to the Commission.

COMMITTEE ON SHIPPING, AND TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS

The Committee on Shipping, and Transport and Communications shall have two wings, which shall have the following functions respectively:

A. Shipping, ports and inland waterways

1. To review and analyse the current and prospective world developments in shipping, ports and inland waterways as they affect the countries of the region, and to make appropriate recommendations to facilitate national, subregional, regional and international trade through adequate, economic and efficient shipping, port and associated services;

2. To review and promote the development of national merchant marines in the countries of the region with a view to expanding their maritime transport capacity for the handling of their sea-borne trade and facilitating the flow of goods and passengers;

3. To promote co-operation between countries at the subregional, regional and interregional levels in the use of their shipping resources and to assist and support subregional organizations working in this field;

4. To promote the development of national measures or legislation where appropriate in the maritime field consistent with the needs of the developing countries of the region and with international maritime legislation and practice;

5. To promote the exchange of know-how, experience and techniques in the fields of management and manpower development relating to shipping, ports and inland waterways;

6. To review the development of ports and port facilities, including information and data systems, in the countries of the region with a view to recommending measures for their development so as to meet the demands of national, subregional, regional and interregional trade;

7. To study and evaluate, in association with the transport and communications, tourism and facilitation of international traffic wing of the Committee, the implications of the international multimodal transport system and combined transport operations for the ESCAP member and associate member countries, especially the developing countries;

8. To encourage the establishment of national maritime organizations in the countries of the region, as a means of ensuring compliance with Commission resolution 168 (XXXIII);

9. To consider and recommend measures for establishing shippers' organizations and for promoting cooperation among the shippers in the region, including the organization of training programmes, seminars, workshops etc.;

10. To review and evaluate the activities of the secretariat in the fields of shipping, ports and inland waterways and to make recommendations on the formulation and implementation of the programme of work in these fields, with particular emphasis on activities in priority areas as defined by the Commission from time to time, taking into account the work being done in these fields by the United Nations and other relevant organizations, particularly the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the International Labour Organization and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations;

11. To perform such other functions and activities as the Commission may request in all matters concerning shipping, ports and inland waterways in the region;

12. To liaise as necessary with, and to take into account the relevant recommendations of, other legislative committees established by the Commission and other relevant bodies.

B. Transport and communications, tourism and facilitation of international traffic

13. To review and analyse current and projected developments in the fields of transport and communications, tourism and facilitation of international traffic by all modes of transport in the region;

14. To recommend policies, strategies, methods and techniques for the further development of transport
and communications, tourism and facilitation of international traffic by all modes of transport in the region;

15. To promote the exchange of know-how, experience and techniques including integrated planning, operations, management and manpower development of transport and communications, tourism and facilitation of international traffic by all modes of transport in the region;

16. To promote regional and subregional co-operation, and interregional co-ordination when necessary, in the fields of transport and communications, tourism and facilitation of international traffic by all modes of transport;

17. To review and evaluate the activities of the secretariat in the fields of transport and communications, tourism and facilitation of international traffic by all modes of transport and make recommendations on the formulation and implementation of the programme of work in these fields, with particular emphasis on activities in priority areas as defined by the Commission from time to time, taking into account the work being done in these fields by the United Nations and other relevant organizations, particularly the International Telecommunication Union, the Universal Postal Union, the International Civil Aviation Organization, the World Tourism Organization, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the International Labour Organization;

18. To perform such other functions and activities as the Commission may request in all matters concerning transport and communications, tourism and facilitation of international traffic by all modes of transport, in the region;

19. To liaise as necessary with, and to take into account the relevant recommendations of, other legislative committees established by the Commission and other relevant bodies.

The Committee shall meet once every year, with each wing meeting in alternate years, taking up shipping, ports and inland waterways in even years and transport and communications, tourism and facilitation of international traffic in odd years. It shall report to the Commission.

COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

The Committee on Social Development shall have the following functions:

1. To review and analyse the situation as regards social development in the region;

2. To consider and make recommendations on appropriate strategies and measures for the attainment of social justice, including the fostering of the welfare of children, popular participation and integration and greater participation of women and youth in the development process, social defence, social consequences of the problem of displaced persons, alleviation of poverty, promotion of equitable distribution of development benefits and improvement of the quality of life, taking into account the relevant basic principles and objectives set out in the United Nations Declaration on Social Progress and Development;

3. To review and evaluate the activities of the secretariat in the field of social development and make recommendations on the formulation and implementation of the programme of work in this field, with particular emphasis on activities in priority areas as defined by the Commission from time to time, taking into account the mandates and the work being done in this field by the United Nations and other relevant organizations, particularly the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the International Labour Organisation, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Children’s Fund, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations;

4. To perform such other functions and activities as the Commission may request in all matters concerning social development in the region;

5. To liaise as necessary with, and to take into account the relevant recommendations of, other legislative committees established by the Commission and other relevant bodies.

The Committee shall meet every even year and report to the Commission.

COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS

The Committee on Statistics shall have the following functions:

1. To review and analyse the progress in the development of statistics in the region;

2. To promote the improvement of the quality of statistics and the application of new techniques, arrange for the exchange of information and experience on statistical work and methods among member countries and recommend, when necessary, programmes of technical assistance, training, education and research in the various fields of statistics and their applications;

3. To promote the adaptation of international statistical standards to the conditions and needs of countries of the region, bearing in mind the intrinsic importance of maintaining comparability and harmonization of international statistical indicators and methods;

4. To review and evaluate the activities of the secretariat in the field of statistics and to make recommendations on the formulation and implementation of the
programme of work in this field, with particular emphasis on activities in priority areas as defined by the Commission from time to time, taking into account the work being done in this field by the United Nations and other relevant organizations, particularly the United Nations Statistical Office and the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific;

5. To advise, through its Director, the Advisory Council of the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific on the nature and priorities of the statistical training requirements of the countries of the region for its consideration of the work programme of the Institute;

6. To perform such other functions and activities as the Commission may request in all matters concerning statistics in the region;

7. To liaise as necessary with, and to take into account the relevant recommendations of, other legislative committees established by the Commission and other relevant bodies.

The Committee shall meet every odd year and report to the Commission.

COMMITTEE ON TRADE

The Committee on Trade shall have the following functions:

1. To review and analyse the trade and commercial policies of the countries of the region and to promote the development of trade between the countries of the region and between the region and the rest of the world, in particular trade expansion among the developing countries, with a view to assisting the economic development of the countries of the region;

2. To review the progress in, and to promote the development of techniques and methods for, trade development and expansion, including the training of trade personnel;

3. To consider problems of international trade, particularly those affecting:

   (a) The regional, subregional and interregional trade, as appropriate, of countries in Asia and the Pacific, in particular the developing countries, including matters relating to financial institutions and financing of trade, export credit insurance, insurance and reinsurance, debt servicing, standardization of commodities, commercial arbitration, customs administration, marketing and market research, product development and packaging;

   (b) Raw materials and commodities, including the promotion of subregional, regional and international co-operation in raw materials and commodities of socio-economic importance to the member countries, particularly developing countries;

   (c) The special problems of the least developed countries, the developing island countries, the landlocked countries and the most seriously affected countries;

   (d) Organization and machinery for trade and commerce, having due regard to the work being done in these fields by the United Nations and other international bodies;

4. To review and evaluate the activities of the secretariat in the field of trade, and to make recommendations on the formulation and implementation of the programme of work in this field, with particular emphasis on activities in priority areas as defined by the Commission from time to time, taking into account the work being done in this field by the United Nations and other relevant organizations, particularly the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;

5. To perform such other functions and activities as the Commission may request in all matters concerning trade;

6. To liaise as necessary with, and to take into account the relevant recommendations of, other legislative committees established by the Commission and other relevant bodies.

The Committee shall meet every even year and report to the Commission. In order to enable developments in trade and trade policies to be reviewed annually, the Commission itself will carry out such a review in odd years.

223(XXXVIII). International Youth Year: Participation, Development, Peace: implementation and follow-up of the specific Programme of Measures and Activities to be undertaken prior to and during the International Youth Year

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific;

Recalling General Assembly resolution 34/151 of 17 December 1979, in which the Assembly decided to designate 1985 as International Youth Year: Participation, Development, Peace;

Noting the report of the Advisory Committee for the International Youth Year on its first session, held at Vienna from 30 March to 7 April 1981,

Referring to General Assembly resolution 36/28 of 13 November 1981, in which the Assembly endorsed the early implementation of the specific Programme of Measures and Activities to be undertaken prior to and during the International Youth Year, as adopted by the Advisory Committee for the International Youth Year,

4 See paras. 635-636 above.