Chapter IV

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION AT ITS FORTY-FOURTH SESSION

264 (XLIV). Strengthening activities for technical and economic co-operation among developing countries in the ESCAP region

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Bearing in mind the Buenos Aires Plan of Action for Promoting and Implementing Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 42/179 of 11 December 1987 on strengthening and improving intergovernmental programming exercises for technical co-operation among developing countries,

Recalling further its resolution 245 (XLI) of 29 March 1985 on mobilization of resources for the promotion of and support for technical and economic co-operation activities among developing countries,

Recognizing the importance of technical and economic co-operation among developing countries in the reinforcement of the individual and collective self-reliance of the ESCAP developing members and associate members, and in the promotion of their socio-economic development,

Reaffirming that intergovernmental programming exercises for technical co-operation among developing countries constitute a useful mechanism for promoting technical and economic co-operation among developing countries in the ESCAP region,

1. Recommends that regional intergovernmental programming exercises, sectoral or comprehensive, for technical co-operation among developing countries continue to be held in accordance with the expressed needs of the developing countries of the region;

2. Invites developing countries of the region to support actively and participate in regional intergovernmental programming exercises for technical co-operation among developing countries and to take appropriate follow-up action in accordance with their own capacities and requirements;

3. Invites the ESCAP developing members and associate members in a position to do so to provide financial and technical support for activities on technical and economic co-operation among developing countries of the region, and in particular to consider contributing to the ESCAP supplementary fund for technical co-operation among developing countries, and also invites developed countries to give similar support;

4. Requests relevant organizations in the United Nations system, and other international and regional financing institutions, to assist activities on technical and economic co-operation among developing countries of the region;

5. Reaffirms the importance of the catalytic and supporting role of ESCAP in promoting activities for technical and economic co-operation among developing countries of the region;

6. Requests the Executive Secretary to give greater emphasis to the activities on technical and economic co-operation among developing countries in formulating the programme of work of the Commission;

7. Further requests the Executive Secretary to assist developing members and associate members of the region in implementing activities for technical and economic co-operation among developing countries;

8. Requests the Executive Secretary to report to the Commission at its forty-sixth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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265 (XLIV). Social aspects of rural development

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Recalling the Declaration on Social Progress and Development contained in General Assembly resolution 2542 (XXIV)

1/ See paras. 719-726 above.

2/ See para. 552 above.