ECOSOC Resolution 2006/39

Admission of Japan as a member of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

The Economic and Social Council,

Bearing in mind that the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean was established by the Economic and Social Council by its resolution 106 (VI) of 25 February 1948, in which the Council stated that membership in the Commission should be open to States Members of the United Nations in Northern, Central and South America and in the Caribbean area and to France, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland,

Bearing in mind also that the Commission was established on the basis of the participation by all the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean, plus those that had special relations with the region of a historical, cultural, geographical or economic nature,

Recalling that, in that spirit, the Commission subsequently admitted, as members, Spain, in 1979, Portugal, in 1984, Italy, in 1990, and Germany, in 2005,

Considering that the Government of Japan has communicated to the Commission, through the Executive Secretary, its desire to be admitted as a member of the Commission,

1. *Welcomes with satisfaction* the request from the Government of Japan that it be admitted to membership of the Commission;

2. *Approves* the admission of Japan as a member of the Commission and authorizes the amendment of paragraph 3 (a) of the terms of reference of the Commission to include the name of Japan after that of Italy.

41st plenary meeting 27 July 2006