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## Cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System

## The General Assembly,

*Recalling* its resolution 67/12 of 19 November 2012 on cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System,

*Recognizing* that the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic is one of the greatest global challenges in the history of the United Nations, and noting with deep concern its impact on health and the loss of life, mental health and well-being, as well as the negative impact on global humanitarian needs, the enjoyment of human rights and across all spheres of society, including on livelihoods, food security and nutrition, and education, the exacerbation of poverty and hunger, disruption to economies, trade, societies and environments, and the exacerbation of economic and social inequalities within and among countries, which is reversing hard-won development gains and hampering progress towards achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development<sup>1</sup> and all its Goals and targets,

*Recalling* its resolutions 74/270 of 2 April 2020, 74/274 of 20 April 2020, and 74/306 and 74/307 of 11 September 2020, which have facilitated the work of the United Nations system in its coordinated response, and in particular the need for international cooperation to ensure global access to medicines, vaccines and medical equipment to face COVID-19,

*Bearing in mind* the agreement between the United Nations and the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System,<sup>2</sup> in which the parties agree to strengthen and expand their cooperation in matters that are of common concern in the fields of their respective competence pursuant to their constitutional instruments,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Agreement between the United Nations and the Latin American Economic System (United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1651, No. 1061).





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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Resolution 70/1.

*Taking note* of the report of the Secretary-General on cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations,<sup>3</sup>

*Reaffirming* that cooperation between the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System and the United Nations has intensified in recent years,

*Recalling* the signing of the framework agreement between the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System and the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, on 26 October 2017, to strengthen technical and institutional cooperation in the region,

*Emphasizing* that the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System is an important partner in the implementation of the 2015–2030 regional action plan for the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015–2030,<sup>4</sup> in particular through the Regional Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction in the Americas and the Caribbean,

Acknowledging the reports periodically produced by the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System on public policies and measures adopted by its member States to face the COVID-19 pandemic,

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the positive assessment of the implementation of the agreement between the United Nations and the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System, and urges the parties to continue strengthening the collaboration between both organizations;

2. *Takes note of* the holding of the forty-fifth regular meeting of the Latin American Council of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System on 18 and 19 November 2019, as well as the report on cooperation relations between the United Nations and the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System for the period 2017–2019;

3. Urges the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean to continue deepening its coordination and mutual support activities with the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System;

4. Urges the specialized agencies and other organizations, funds and programmes of the United Nations system, in particular the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the World Food Programme, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction, the United National Organization for Migration and the World Tourism Organization, to continue and intensify their support for and to strengthen their cooperation, in accordance with their respective mandates, with the activities of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System and to contribute to joint actions to achieve sustainable development in Latin America and the Caribbean, in line with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;

5. Urges the international community to continue supporting the work of the different regional organizations in order to intensify cooperation and the exchange of relevant information to fight the COVID-19 pandemic;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> A/71/160-S/2016/621 and A/71/160/Add.1-S/2016/621/Add.1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Resolution 69/283, annex II.

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its seventy-seventh session a report on the implementation of the present resolution.