

PART THREE

RESOLUTION 57/6

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The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Recalling the decision made at its fifty-sixth session to hold a high-level regional meeting on energy for sustainable development and the need to move towards sustainable patterns of production, distribution and use of energy, as stressed in the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21, adopted by the General Assembly at its nineteenth special session held in 1997, and the multi-year programme of work of the Commission on Sustainable Development,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 1999/60 of 30 July 1999 on preparations for the ninth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development,

Recalling further Commission resolution 56/4 of 7 June 2000 on the promotion of a sustainable energy future for small island states,

Recalling the mission statement and programme areas as contained in the Regional Action Programme for Environmentally Sound and Sustainable Development, 2001-2005 adopted by the Ministerial Conference on Environment and Development in Asia and the Pacific, 2000, held in Kitakyushu, Japan, from 31 August to 5 September 2000,

Convinced that energy is a crucial input to economic and social development, and that energy development and use in all its social, economic and environmental dimensions will also contribute to poverty alleviation,

Acknowledging that an increase in demand for energy is inescapable in view of the high economic growth prospects in the countries of the Asian and Pacific region, but that the increase has to be met by a choice of fuels and technologies which would keep the negative environmental impact to the minimum possible level,

Acknowledging further the need to enhance the capacity of concerned stakeholders in developing sustainable energy development strategies under which energy services can be expanded and improved with a minimum compromise on environmental quality,

Noting with satisfaction the successful outcome of the High-level Regional Meeting on Energy for Sustainable Development held in Bali, Indonesia, from 21 to 24 November 2000, which adopted the Bali Declaration on Asia-Pacific Perspectives on Energy and Sustainable Development, and the Sustainable Energy Development Action Programme, Strategies and Implementation Modalities for the Asian and Pacific Region, 2001-2005 (hereinafter referred to as the Sustainable Energy Development Action Programme),

Noting that the Sustainable Energy Development Action Programme identified several areas for action, as follows:

- (a) Developing policies to promote energy utilization for poverty alleviation by ensuring energy availability at affordable prices;
- (b) Strengthening planning capacity on sustainable energy development by establishing clear linkages to other sectors;
- (c) Promoting the implementation of a supply-side and demand-side energy efficiency programme in the region;
- (d) Promoting the application of renewable and clean energy technologies in the region;
- (e) Promoting and assisting a dedicated global project to create 100 per cent renewable energy in the small island developing states of the region;
- (f) Mobilizing financial resources from traditional sources and the private sector,

Noting further that the Bali Declaration and the Sustainable Energy Development Action Programme stress that international cooperation is necessary to support regional efforts in enhancing national capacity, mobilizing national resources and facilitating technology transfer,

1. *Welcomes with satisfaction* the findings, conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the High-level Regional Meeting on Energy for Sustainable Development, including the Bali Declaration on Asia-Pacific Perspectives on Energy and Sustainable Development, and the Sustainable Energy Development Action Programme, Strategies and Implementation Modalities for the Asian and Pacific Region, 2001-2005 adopted by the Meeting;

2. *Calls upon* all members and associate members who made commitments expressed in the Bali Declaration to fulfil those commitments, to undertake appropriate measures at the national level and to actively pursue the implementation of the Sustainable Energy Development Action Programme;

3. *Further calls upon* donor governments and agencies, regional and international financial institutions, United Nations bodies and specialized agencies, non-governmental organizations and the private sector to assist developing countries in enhancing their national capacity, mobilizing resources and facilitating technology transfer as mutually agreed;

4. *Notes in particular* the call to shift from agenda to action as recommended by the High-level Regional Meeting;

5. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, in order to implement the Bali Declaration:

(a) To assist members and associate members in mobilizing human, financial and technical resources for the implementation of the recommendations of the High-level Regional Meeting, including the Bali Declaration and the Sustainable Energy Development Action Programme;

(b) To undertake a comprehensive regional programme to assist countries of the region, particularly the developing countries, in the formulation of effective strategies on the efficient use of energy and the application of renewable and clean energy technologies;

(c) To promote effective coordination of the activities of all relevant United Nations bodies and specialized agencies, as well as private sector organizations, non-governmental organizations and other sections of civil society, in facilitating and monitoring the implementation of the Bali Declaration and the Sustainable Energy Development Action Programme;

(d) To follow closely the outcome of the ninth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development and undertake appropriate follow-up action at the regional level in support of the Bali Declaration;

(e) To include in the agenda of the fifth session of the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Development, to be held in 2003, a midterm review and assessment of the progress achieved in the implementation of the recommendations of the High-level Regional Meeting on Energy for Sustainable Development, the Bali Declaration and the Sustainable Energy Development Action Programme, and to report on this review to the Commission at its sixtieth session in 2004.

*5th meeting
25 April 2001*