CHAPTER III: HARMONIZATION OF ECONOMIC POLICIES AND COORDINATION OF DEVELOPMENT PLANS

Article 50

Member Countries shall progressively adopt a strategy for the achievement of the subregional development objectives foreseen in this Agreement.

Article 51

Member Countries shall coordinate their development plans in specific sectors and will gradually harmonize their economic and social policies, with the objective of achieving an integrated development of the area, through planned actions.

This process shall be carried out in parallel to and in coordination with the creation of the subregional market, by means of the following mechanisms, among others:

a. Industrial Development Programs;

b. Agricultural and Agroindustrial Development Programs;

c. Physical Infrastructure Development Programs;

d. The harmonization of foreign exchange, monetary, financial, and fiscal policies, including the treatment of subregional or foreign capital;

e. A common trade policy in relation to third countries; and

f . The harmonization of planning methods and techniques.

Article 52

Before December 31, 1970, the Commission, shall at the General Secretariat’s proposal, approve and submit to the Member Countries for their consideration a common regime on the treatment of foreign capital and, among others, about trademarks, patents, licenses, and royalties.

The Member Countries shall take the necessary measures to put this regime into effect within six months following its approval by the Commission.

Article 53

Before December 31, 1971, the Commission shall, at the General Secretariat’s proposal, approve and propose to the Member Countries a uniform regime that Andean multinational corporations must abide by.

Article 54

The Commission shall, at the General Secretariat’s proposal, establish permanent procedures and mechanisms deemed necessary to achieve the coordination and harmonization referred to in Article 51.

Article 55

The Commission shall, at the General Secretariat's proposal and taking into account the progress and needs of the subregional integration process, as well as the balanced compliance with the mechanisms of the Agreement, approve rules, and determine dates for the gradual harmonization of the economic legislations and the instruments and mechanisms for the regulation and promotion of Member Countries´ foreign trade that affect the mechanisms foreseen in this Agreement for the creation of the subregional market.

Article 56

The Member Countries shall include in their national development plans and in the formulation of their economic policies, the necessary measures to ensure compliance with the preceding Articles.

CHAPTER IV: INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

Article 57

The Member Countries pledge themselves to promote a common process of industrial development to attain, among others, the following objectives:

a. The expansion, specialization, diversification, and promotion of industrial activity;

b. The development of economies of scale;

c. An optimum utilization of resources available in the area, specially through the industrialization of natural resources;

d. The improvement in productivity;

e. A greater degree of relationship, linkage, and complementarity among the industrial enterprises of the Subregion;

f . An equitable distribution of benefits; and

g. An improved degree of participation of subregional industry in the international context.

Article 58

With respect to the previous Article, the following shall constitute modes of industrial integration:

a. Industrial Integration Programs;

b. Industrial Complementarity Agreements; and

c. Industrial Integration Projects.