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Background

The Almaty Programme of Action: Addressing the Special Needs of Landlocked Developing Countries within a New Global Framework for Transit Transport Cooperation for Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries (APOA) was adopted in Almaty (Kazakhstan) in 2003 as a response by the United Nations to the particular development needs and problems facing the 31 landlocked developing countries, two of which are located in Latin America and the Caribbean: The Plurinational State of Bolivia and Paraguay.

With implementation of the Programme closing in on the 10-year mark, the United Nations General Assembly, through its resolution A/RES/67/222 of 3 April 2013, called for a comprehensive 10-year Review Conference on the Implementation of the Almaty Programme of Action to be convened in 2014. The resolution also requests that the relevant organizations of the United Nations system provide necessary support and actively contribute to the preparatory process within their respective mandates. In this context, this document prepared by the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) analyses the current situation in The Plurinational State of Bolivia and Paraguay, as well as regional progress that has been made during the decade that the Almaty Programme of Action is been in effect. This document gives a continuation to ECLAC's contributions to the analysis of transport system

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