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The Committee emphasizes that the main objectives of cooperation are sustainable economic and social development and an increase in living standards that will follow from the growth of a dynamic, wealth-creating private sector and genuine social progress. This objective will be attained if a fabric of trade union and other interest groups is built up to ensure that the socio-economic players are involved in the decision-making process; this must take place in the setting of a state governed by the rule of law, guaranteeing individual liberties and providing the services of general interest needed for social progress.