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## MEASURES TO STRENGTHEN INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN NUCLEAR SAFETY AND RADIOLOGICAL PROTECTION

Draft resolution submitted by Austria

The General Conference,

(a) Aware that nuclear activities are being carried out in a number of States,

(b) Noting the common interest of all States in ensuring the safe operation of nuclear activities everywhere,

(c) Desiring to strengthen international co-operation at both the bilateral and the multilateral level with regard to nuclear safety, radiological protection, physical security and environmental acceptability,

(d) Realizing that close co-operation between neighbouring States is of particular importance in order to enhance mutual nuclear safety, and

(e) Appreciating the worldwide role of the IAEA in the area of nuclear safety and radiological protection,

1. Urges all Member States to supply, within the framework of bilateral and multilateral arrangements between neighbouring States, all necessary safety-relevant information and data on existing and planned nuclear activities;

2. Urges all States to accede to requests from neighbouring States to hold consultations on safety standards at existing facilities and on plans for new activities;

3. Urges the Director General to initiate a process of negotiations aimed at a multilateral agreement regarding liabilities resulting from nuclear accident damage;

4. Appeals to the international community to co-operate in research and development work on new sources of energy capable of supplementing and replacing technologies which might appear obsolete in the light of new developments;

5. Appeals to all States to examine the question of the elaboration of draft binding safety standards for existing and new nuclear plants to be submitted at the thirty-first regular session of the General Conference, taking into account the views expressed on this matter during the first special session of the General Conference, especially with regard to the desirability of the verification of the observance of such standards by specialized IAEA staff;

6. Adopts the attached texts of the Convention on Early Notification of a Nuclear Accident and the Convention on Assistance in the Case of a Nuclear Accident or Radiological Emergency and decides to open the Conventions for signature on 26 September 1986;

7. Takes note of the statements made by several States as to the need for the early notification of all nuclear accidents with radiological safety significance and of the declarations made by several States as to their readiness to notify also nuclear accidents other than those specified in Article 1 of the Convention on Early Notification;

8. Recognizes the role entrusted to the IAEA in the implementation of the Conventions;

9. Appeals to all States to sign and become party to the Conventions as promptly as possible;

10. Appeals to all signatory States for which the Conventions will not enter into force immediately to declare, whenever possible, that they will provisionally apply either or both of the Conventions pending their entry into force for them; and

11. Requests the Director General to report to the General Conference at its thirty-first regular session on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.