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AGREEMENT GOVERNING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE AGENCY  
AND THE UNITED NATIONS

Approval by the General Assembly of the  
United Nations

On 14 November 1957 the General Assembly of the United Nations adopted the following resolutions approving the agreement governing the relationship between the Agency and the United Nations and authorizing the Agency to request advisory opinions of the International Court of Justice on certain subjects:

AGREEMENT GOVERNING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS  
AND THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY<sup>1/</sup>

The General Assembly,

Noting the report of the Advisory Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy<sup>2/</sup> concerning its negotiations with the Preparatory Commission of the International Atomic Energy Agency, including the exchange of letters<sup>3/</sup> relating to the interpretation of article I, paragraph 1, of the Agreement governing the relationship between the United Nations and the International Atomic Energy Agency,<sup>4/</sup>

Noting that the General Conference and the Board of Governors of the International Atomic Energy Agency have approved the above-mentioned Agreement,

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- <sup>1/</sup> United Nations document A/RES/1145 (XII)  
<sup>2/</sup> United Nations documents A/3620 and Corr.1.  
<sup>3/</sup> GC.1/3/Add.1  
<sup>4/</sup> GC.1/3

Approves the Agreement governing the relationship between the United Nations and the International Atomic Energy Agency, as set forth in [United Nations] documents A/3620 and Corr.1.

AUTHORIZATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY  
TO REQUEST ADVISORY OPINIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COURT  
OF JUSTICE<sup>5/</sup>

The General Assembly,

Recalling the provisions of Article 96 of the Charter of the United Nations,

Noting the provisions of article XVII of the Statute of the International Atomic Energy Agency and of article X of the Agreement governing the relationship between the United Nations and the Agency,<sup>6/</sup>

Authorizes the International Atomic Energy Agency to request advisory opinions of the International Court of Justice on legal questions arising within the scope of its activities other than questions concerning the relationship between the Agency and the United Nations or any specialized agency.

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<sup>5/</sup> United Nations document A/RES/1146. (XII)

<sup>6/</sup> GC.1/3.