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## EXCHANGE OF SCIENTIFIC ABSTRACTS

### The General Conference,

- (a) Bearing in mind resolution 804(XXX) adopted by the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (ECOSOC) on 3 August 1960, Article VIII.C of the Statute of the International Atomic Energy Agency, paragraph 67(a) of the Report of the Preparatory Commission<sup>1/</sup> and paragraph 81 of the Programme and Budget for 1959<sup>2/</sup>,
- (b) Taking note of the recommendations with regard to scientific documentation made on a number of occasions by the United Nations General Assembly, ECOSOC, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the Agency itself, and of the appeal for international collaboration made by the International Conference on Scientific Information<sup>3/</sup>,
- (c) Considering the many gaps and duplications which exist in the documentation on the peaceful applications of nuclear science and the fact that the situation can only be effectively improved by international action,
- (d) Bearing in mind that an exchange of such documentation is of the greatest importance to the international community,
- (e) Considering that, to ensure greater returns from the work and funds devoted to scientific abstracting services throughout the world, the organization and operation of these services in regard to the peaceful applications of nuclear science must be better known, and

<sup>1/</sup> GC(I)/1.

<sup>2/</sup> GC(II)/36.

<sup>3/</sup> Held in Washington from 16 to 21 November 1958 by the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America.

(f) Believing that a study of these services should be made to serve as a basis for further action,

1. Requests the Director General, if necessary in collaboration with appropriate organizations, to examine the possibility of arranging within the Agency for an international exchange of the abstracts which are already published on the subject of the peaceful applications of nuclear science and to submit a report on the matter to the Board of Governors during 1961; and
2. Further requests the Director General, in consultation with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, to prepare a study on the organization and operation of scientific abstracting services dealing with the peaceful applications of nuclear science, to serve as a basis for further action, and to submit the study to the Board of Governors for suitable and early action.