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CO-ORDINATION OF ABSTRACTING SERVICES IN NUCLEAR SCIENCES

The General Conference,

- (a) Recalling Resolution 804 (XXX) of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (ECOSOC), its own Resolution GC(IV)/RES/78 and ECOSOC Resolution 980 (XXXVI) concerning "questions relating to science and technology", in particular part B of the latter resolution concerning the "organization and functioning of scientific abstracting services",
- (b) Considering that progress in this field is one of the fundamental conditions for the development of scientific and technical research,
- (c) Noting with satisfaction that the report prepared by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in collaboration with interested organizations and specialists^{1/} represents a step towards a solution of these problems,
- (d) Noting also with satisfaction the work already accomplished by the Agency in this sphere,^{2/} and
- (e) Recognizing the necessity of speeding up such work,

1. Invites the Governments of Member States to offer the Director General suggestions as to appropriate ways and means of establishing and developing co-operation and co-ordination among the different abstracting services in the sphere of nuclear sciences;
2. Requests the Director General to collaborate closely with the Director General of UNESCO in this work, and to report on the subject to the General Conference at its eighth regular session; and
3. Calls the attention of Governments to:
 - (a) The importance of developing national or regional centres for scientific documentation, which could also train staff; and
 - (b) The need for editors of scientific periodicals to bear in mind the following:
 - (i) The title of a paper should give an idea of its content;
 - (ii) Authors should be requested to submit, with their manuscripts, abstracts or resumés giving the most important points therein;
 - (iii) The abstracts or resumés should be presented in one of the Agency's working languages; and
 - (iv) These abstracts or resumés should be sent to the appropriate institutions publishing the abstracts while the publications in question are being printed.

1/ United Nations document E/3618.

2/ GC(VI)/INF/51.