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REVIEW OF THE AGENCY'S ACTIVITIES

Report of the Programme, Technical and Budget Committee

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1. At its seventy-seventh and seventy-eighth meetings on 28 and 29 September 1967 the Committee considered item 15 of the agenda - Review of the Agency's Activities. It had before it documents GC(XI)/362, Add.1 and 2, as well as a draft resolution on the results of the review which was submitted jointly by Australia, Brazil, Ceylon, Ghana, India, Pakistan, Poland, Thailand, Tunisia and the United Arab Republic.
2. The draft resolution was the subject of a prolonged debate. While a majority was in favour of its approval, several delegations expressed reservations concerning paragraph 1 which dealt with the relationship between the provision of equipment and the provision of expert services in the framework of technical assistance projects. A minor amendment to the resolution, proposed by Pakistan, was accepted.
3. The draft resolution, as amended, was finally approved by 44 votes in favour, none against and 13 abstentions. It is reproduced overleaf, and the Committee recommends its adoption by the General Conference.

THE RESULTS OF THE REVIEW OF THE AGENCY'S ACTIVITIES

The General Conference,

- (a) Recalling paragraph 1 of its Resolution GC(X)/RES/217, whereby it requested the Board of Governors, in consultation with the Director General, to review the activities of the Agency in order to find ways and means to increase its assistance to developing countries,
 - (b) Noting the report the Board has made on the results of the review, as well as the views and recommendations of Member States reproduced in that document,^{1/}
 - (c) Considering that the Agency's technical assistance programme is one of the most important and effective means of bringing the benefits of the peaceful applications of nuclear energy to Member States,
 - (d) Recalling that at its fourth session in 1960 it took note of the guiding principles and general operating rules to govern the provision of technical assistance, which the Board had established at its request,^{2/}
 - (e) Further recalling that at the same session it recognized "the special character of the Agency's operations and the increasing demand for equipment in the less-developed countries" and accordingly requested the Board "to give special and sympathetic attention to providing, in the framework of technical assistance projects, equipment to those States which desire it",^{3/} and
 - (f) Considering the view expressed by several Member States that equipment should also be made available independently of the services of an internationally recruited expert,
1. Requests the Director General to give particular attention to requests for the supply of equipment in the framework of technical assistance projects, without necessarily requiring any formal relationship between the provision of equipment and the provision of expert services; and
 2. Further requests the Board of Governors and the Director General to reflect the results of the review of the Agency's activities in the six-year programme to be presented to the General Conference in 1968, keeping in mind the observations and recommendations made by Member States during the discussion of this subject at the current session of the General Conference.

^{1/} GC(XI)/362, Add.1 and Add.2.

^{2/} See Resolution GC(IV)/RES/65.

^{3/} Resolution GC(IV)/RES/64.