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THE AGENCY'S BUDGET FOR 1978

Resolution adopted during the 199th plenary meeting
on 30 September 1977

THE PHYSICAL PROTECTION OF NUCLEAR FACILITIES, MATERIALS AND TRANSPORTS

The General Conference,

(a) Recalling the resolution adopted at its nineteenth regular session regarding the physical protection of nuclear facilities and materials^{1/} in which, inter alia, it called upon Member States and the Director General to consider ways and means of facilitating international co-operation in dealing further with problems in this area which are common to Member States, such as those relating to the international transfer of nuclear materials,

(b) Noting with satisfaction the recent efforts by the Director General to assist Member States in the development and strengthening of their national systems for the physical protection of nuclear facilities and materials, including publication of a revision of the document entitled "The Physical Protection of Nuclear Material"^{2/}, and

(c) Noting further circulation by the Director General of a draft convention submitted by a Member State on physical protection of nuclear facilities, materials and transports to all Member States on 16 June 1977,

1. Commends the Director General for his efforts in regard to this important matter;
2. Urges the Director General to continue his efforts in consultation with Member States to promote international co-operation in ensuring the adequate physical protection of nuclear facilities and materials and to facilitate the

development of an appropriate legal instrument to provide for such co-operation on as broad a scale as possible taking into account that physical protection is primarily a national responsibility;

3. Calls upon all Member States to support the Director General's efforts to facilitate the development of a convention on the physical protection of nuclear facilities and materials and transports, suitable for adoption by as many States as possible; and

4. Requests the Director General to report to the General Conference at its next regular session on the progress made in this matter.

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- 1/ GC(XIX)/RES/328.
2/ INFCIRC/225/Rev.1.