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MEASURES TO STRENGTHEN INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN NUCLEAR SAFETY AND RADIOLOGICAL PROTECTION

INTERNATIONAL LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE ARISING FROM A NUCLEAR ACCIDENT

Draft resolution submitted by Austria, Egypt,
the German Democratic Republic, Hungary, Italy, Nigeria and Poland

The General Conference,

- (a) Conscious of the fact that further strengthening of the international liability regime for nuclear damage is essential to the development and use of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes,
- (b) Noting that a number of Member States are parties to the Vienna Convention on Civil Liability for Nuclear Damage and the Paris Convention on Third Party Liability in the Field of Nuclear Energy,
- (c) Noting with satisfaction that the Conference on the Relationship between the Paris and the Vienna Convention adopted on 21 September 1988 a Joint Protocol linking the two Conventions,
- (d) Aware of the fact that the civil liability regime established by the above-mentioned Conventions and the Joint Protocol does not cover all liability issues that might arise in the event of a nuclear accident, and

(e) Recalling the discussions in the Board of Governors during last three years on the question of international liability, the views of Member States as contained in document GOV/INF/550, and the substantive studies carried out by the Secretariat on this subject;

1. Requests the Board of Governors to continue, as a matter of priority, consideration of the question of international liability for damage arising from a nuclear accident, taking into account the above-mentioned discussions and views and the relevant documents prepared by the Secretariat, including the recommendation to convene an open-ended working group of governmental experts for the purpose of studying further the issues involved in international liability; and

2. Requests the Board of Governors to submit to the General Conference at its thirty-third regular session a report on the progress made in this regard.