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AN AFRICAN NUCLEAR-WEAPON-FREE ZONE

Draft resolution submitted by Ethiopia on behalf of the African Group

The General Conference,

- (a) Recalling its resolutions GC(XXVII)/RES/408, GC(XXVIII)/RES/423, GC(XXIX)/RES/442, GC(XXX)/RES/468, GC(XXXI)/RES/485, GC(XXXII)/RES/503, GC(XXXIII)/RES/524, GC(XXXIV)/RES/545, GC(XXXV)/RES/567 and GC(XXXVI)/RES/577,
- (b) Taking note of the fact that the South African Government acceded to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) on 10 July 1991 and that its safeguards agreement with the Agency in connection with the Treaty entered into force on 16 September 1991, as well as of its commitment to early and full implementation of this agreement,
- (c) Also taking note of the announcement by South Africa that it had voluntarily abandoned its nuclear deterrent capability before accession to the NPT, and of its standing invitation to the Agency to inspect past nuclear weapon programme activities and facilities and to verify its full disclosure,
- (d) Recognizing that the full disclosure of South Africa's nuclear facilities and materials is a contributing factor to the peace and security of the region and to the current efforts aimed at the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone (NWFZ) in Africa, on the basis of the Declaration on the Denuclearization of Africa adopted by the Organization of African Unity (OAU) at its first ordinary session, held at Cairo from 17 to 21 July 1964, and of resolution A/RES/46/34.B adopted on 9 December 1991 by the General Assembly of the United Nations,

- (e) Welcoming the progress made at the third meeting of the UN/OAU Group of Experts to draft a treaty on an African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone, which was held in Harare from 5 to 8 April 1993,
1. Takes note of the report of the Director General on the Agency's verification activities in South Africa contained in document GC(XXXVII)/1075;
 2. Requests South Africa to continue its stated policy of full transparency;
 3. Commends the African States in their efforts directed towards the establishment of an African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone and requests the Director General to continue to assist them in these efforts; and
 4. Further requests the Director General to report on the progress made in implementing this resolution to the Board of Governors and to the General Conference at its thirty-eighth regular session under an agenda item entitled "An African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone".