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## Amendment to Article VI of the Statute

*Report by the Director General*

1. On 1 October 1999, in resolution GC(43)/RES/19, the General Conference, at its 43<sup>rd</sup> session, approved an amendment to Article VI of the Agency's Statute. As requested by the General Conference in the same resolution (operative paragraph 4), the Secretariat submitted a report on the progress made towards the entry into force of this amendment (GC(45)/INF/7) at the 45<sup>th</sup> regular session of the General Conference. On 21 September 2001 the General Conference took note of the information contained in document GC(45)/INF/7 (GC(45)/OR.10, para 80).
2. On 14 August 2003, the Secretariat received a request, submitted by the Republic of Korea, for the inclusion of an item entitled "Amendment to Article VI of the Statute" in the agenda for the 47<sup>th</sup> regular session of the General Conference (Explanatory Memorandum Submitted by the Republic of Korea in Annex 1 to GC(47)/1/Add.1). The Secretariat has also been requested to submit an updated report on the progress made since the last report towards the entry into force of the amendment to the 47<sup>th</sup> regular session of the General Conference in order to facilitate discussion and proper action, if necessary, by the Member States.
3. The purpose of this document is to report to Members on the progress made towards the entry into force of the amendment since the last report (GC(45)/INF/7) submitted to the 45<sup>th</sup> regular session of the General Conference in 2001.

### **Progress Made towards Entry Into Force**

4. On 26 September 2002, the Secretariat sent a circular note verbale to the Ministries of Foreign Affairs of Member States that referred in particular to the circular notes verbales sent by the Director General to the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of Member States dated 3 November 1999 and 10 November 2000 regarding the amendments to Article VI and paragraph A of Article XIV of the Statute of the IAEA that were approved by the General Conference on 1 October 1999 (for details of the latter notes verbales, please refer to paragraphs 2 and 3 of GC(45)/INF/7). It was indicated in the

note of 26 September 2002 that “[a]s regards the amendment to Article VI, its ultimate entry into force will result in the implementation of a carefully crafted and long sought solution to issues associated with representation of Member States on the Board of Governors” and that “the entry into force of [the amendments to Articles VI and XIV.A], through the deposit of instruments of acceptance by Member States with the Depositary Government (the United States of America), would be an important contribution to enhancing the effectiveness and efficiency of the Agency.”

5. As of 22 August 2003, the Director General had been informed by the depositary Government that 34 Member States have accepted the amendment to Article VI in accordance with their respective constitutional processes.

6. Attached to this document as Annex 1 is a list of those States whose acceptance of the amendment has been notified by the depositary Government to the Agency as of 22 August 2003 (last change of status occurred on 17 July 2003).

**ACCEPTANCE OF AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VI  
OF THE IAEA STATUTE  
(As informed by the depositary Government)**

**Last change of status: 17 July 2003**

<b>Member State</b>	<b>Date of Acceptance</b>
1. Algeria	13 June 2001
2. Argentina	29 May 2002
3. Belarus	16 March 2001
4. Bulgaria	17 July 2003
5. Canada	15 September 2000
6. Croatia	3 November 2000
7. Czech Republic	9 April 2002
8. Finland	22 April 2002
9. France	2 May 2001
10. Germany	20 September 2001
11. Greece	15 June 2001
12. Holy See	2 February 2001
13. Ireland	29 November 2000
14. Italy	3 December 2002
15. Japan	31 May 2000
16. Korea, Republic of	11 February 2000
17. Liechtenstein	30 October 2000
18. Lithuania	6 December 2001
19. Luxembourg	14 September 2001
20. Malta	30 December 1999
21. Mexico	15 April 2003
22. Monaco	11 April 2001
23. Morocco	7 March 2000
24. Myanmar	7 May 2001
25. Netherlands	12 March 2002

<b>Member State</b>	<b>Date of Acceptance</b>
26. Pakistan	20 June 2000
27. Poland	20 December 2001
28. Romania	26 June 2001
29. Slovakia	29 October 2002
30. Slovenia	3 April 2000
31. Sweden	13 July 2001
32. Switzerland	24 August 2000
33. Ukraine	12 February 2003
34. United Kingdom	2 January 2001