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Applications for Membership of the Agency

Application by Belize

Recommendation by the Board of Governors

1. On 9 September 2005, the following letter from H. E. Mr. Godfrey P. Smith, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Belize, was communicated to the Board:

“On behalf of the Government of Belize, I have the honour to submit an application for membership of the International Atomic Energy Agency.

“I wish to assure you, on behalf of my Government, that Belize is willing to carry out the obligations of membership of the Agency and to act in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations.”

2. On 19 September 2005, the Board considered this application for membership of the Agency in the light of Article IV.B of the Statute and determined that Belize was able and willing to carry out the obligations of membership of the Agency and to act in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations. The Board recommends that the Conference approve Belize for membership of the Agency and submits the draft resolution overleaf for the consideration of the Conference.

Application by Belize for Membership of the Agency

The General Conference.

- a) Having received the recommendation of the Board of Governors that Belize should be approved for membership of the Agency¹, and
 - b) Having considered the application of Belize for membership - in the light of Article IV.B of the Statute,
1. Approves Belize for membership of the Agency; and
 2. Determines, pursuant to Financial Regulation 5.09², that in the event of Belize becoming a Member of the Agency during the remainder of 2005 or in 2006, it shall be assessed as appropriate:
 - a) For an advance or advances to the Working Capital Fund, in accordance with Financial Regulation 7.04²; and
 - b) For a contribution or contributions towards the Agency's Regular Budget, in accordance with the principles and arrangements the Conference has established for the assessment of Members for such contributions.³

¹ GC(49)/23, para. 2.

² INFCIRC/8/Rev.2.

³ Resolutions GC(III)RES/50, GC(XXI)RES/351, GC (39)RES/11, GC(44)/RES/9 and GC(47)/RES/5.