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Applications for Membership of the Agency Application by the Kingdom of Lesotho

Recommendation by the Board of Governors

1. On 13 August 2008, the following letter from the Hon. Mohlabi Kenneth Tsekoa, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Relations of the Kingdom of Lesotho, was communicated to the Board:

"In the name of the Government of the Kingdom of Lesotho I have the honour to submit an application for membership of the International Atomic Energy Agency."

"I wish to assure you, in the name of my Government, that the Kingdom of Lesotho 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 22 September 2008, the Board considered this application for membership of the Agency in the light of Article IV.B of the Statute, and determined that the Kingdom of Lesotho 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.
- 3. The Board recommends that the Conference approve the Kingdom of Lesotho for membership of the Agency, and submits the draft resolution overleaf for the consideration of the Conference.

Application by the Kingdom of Lesotho for Membership of the Agency

The General Conference,

- a) <u>Having received</u> the recommendation of the Board of Governors that the Kingdom of Lesotho should be approved for membership of the Agency, ¹ and
- b) <u>Having considered</u> the application of the Kingdom of Lesotho for membership in the light of Article IV.B of the Statute,
- 1. Approves the Kingdom of Lesotho for membership of the Agency; and
- 2. <u>Determines</u>, pursuant to Financial Regulation 5.09,² that in the event of the Kingdom of Lesotho becoming a Member of the Agency during the remainder of 2008 or in 2009, it shall be assessed as appropriate:
 - a) For an advance or advances to the Working Capital Fund, in accordance with Financial Regulation 7.04;³ 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. 4

² INFCIRC/8/Rev.2

¹ GC(52)/18, para 3

³ INFCIRC/8/Rev.2

⁴ Resolutions GC(III)RES/50, GC(XXI)RES/351, GC (39)RES/11, GC(44)/RES/9 and GC(47)/RES/5.