RESOLUTION 86 (IV)

Status of the Treaty and its Additional Protocols

The General Conference,

Having heard with satisfaction the statement from the Observer of the Netherlands expressing that independence will be granted to Surinam in the course of the present year;

Recalling that the statute of military denuclearization established by the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America applies now to Surinam on the basis that Netherlands is a Contracting Party to Additional Protocol I of the Treaty, and that said statute will cease to apply upon the independence of Surinam;

Noting the importance of maintaining the territory of Surinam in the regime of military denuclearization when that country attains independence;

Considering that the Treaty is open for signature to States in the Latin American area which enjoy full sovereignty, whenever admitted by the General Conference, by virtue of Article 25,

Resolves:

1. To acknowledge with satisfaction the decision of the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to grant independence and full sovereignty to Surinam, thus giving this country of our region the possibility to become Member of OP ANAL, and to express its consent to the signature by Surinam of the Treaty of Tlatelolco as soon as its independence is attained.

2. To ask the Secretary-General to transmit this Resolution to the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and to convey it in due time to the Government of Surinam.

(Adopted on the Twenty-second session, held on April 18, 1975)