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RESOLUTION 146

Peaceful use of nuclear energy

The General Conference,

Recalling that Article 17 of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America recognizes that the peaceful use of nuclear energy is a sovereign right of the State Parties to the Treaty and underlines the importance of the use of this energy in the economic development and social progress of their peoples;

Convinced that the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America should add to its already effective contribution in regard to disarmament and peace, an efficient contribution to regional development of nuclear energy for peaceful uses;

Reaffirming once more the importance of turning the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America into one of the regional instruments that contributes to the planning and coordination of Latin American efforts for full and effective peaceful use of nuclear energy;

Recalling its Resolutions 2 (I), 22 (I), 23 (I), 24 (I), 38 (I), 66 (III), 94 (V) and 127 (VI);

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Recalling further the Declaration of the Second Extraordinary Session, approved on February 14, 1977, in which the General Conference proclaimed its determination to "give impetus to the use of nuclear energy in Latin America, coordinating efforts of the Member States toward this end and undertaking regional plans for the pacific use of this energy";

Considering necessary the instrumentation of its previous resolutions on the subject;

Taking note of the Agreement on Co-operation with OLADE, signed by the Secretary General in Quito, Ecuador, March 10, 1980, under the terms of Resolution 127 (VI);

Having examined the Memorandum of the Secretary General entitled "Use of Nuclear Energy for Peaceful Purposes" (Doc. CG/215);

Considering that this document provides the basis for compliance with Resolution 127 (VI) of the General Conference concerning the preparation of an inventory of requirements for the peaceful use of nuclear energy by the States Parties to the Treaty of Tlatelolco, which would make it possible to carry out a programme of regional co-operation on the peaceful use of this type of energy;

Recognizing the existence of a series of international and regional agencies that fulfill functions oriented toward the use of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes,

Resolves:

1. To express its appreciation to the Secretary General for his presentation of document CG/213.

2. To request the Secretary General to exhort the Governments of the States that have still not submitted their answer to the request for the information required for the preparation of an inventory of their countries' needs for nuclear energy for peaceful purposes, that they do so within a reasonable time.

3. To recommend that the Secretary General request professional advice from technical consultants of the International Atomic Energy Agency or the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) or from both agencies, in order that the Governments that request it may receive proper assistance in the preparation of their answers to OPANAL concerning requirements for the pacific use of nuclear energy referred to in operative paragraph 2 of the Resolution 94 (V).

4. To charge the Secretary General, on the basis of information received on the matter and in consultation with IAEA, ICNE and OLADE, with the preparation of a study in which specific measures are set forth for launching a programme of co-operation on the use of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes in the region, according to the terms of paragraph 3 on arrangements of Resolution 94 (V).

5. To express gratitude to the Secretary General for the conclusion of the Co-operation Agreement with OLADE and recommend that he continue negotiations for the establishment of close bonds of collaboration among the Agencies referred to in operative paragraph 4, avoiding whenever possible any duplication of functions in order to achieve the best results in this area.

6. To include the item "Use of Nuclear Energy for Peaceful Purposes" in the Provisional Agenda for the Eighth Regular Session of the General Conference.

(Adopted on the 41st Session,
held on April 24, 1981).