The General Conference,

Bearing in mind the statement made by the Mexican Foreign Affairs Secretary, Mr. Bernardo Sepúlveda Amor, at the Opening Ceremony, that nuclear disarmament is of primary importance at the present time, but that the goal is definitely general and complete disarmament under effective international control, which makes this an opportune time once again to examine the feasibility of imaginative formulas and mechanisms that will make it possible to limit conventional weapons in the region;

Also bearing in mind the statement made by the Colombian Foreign Affairs Minister, Dr. Augusto Ramírez Ocampo, at the XIV General Assembly of the Organization of American States on the advisability of establishing a mechanism for the inspection and supervision of military weapons and troops in Latin America;
Taking into consideration the statement of the Secretary General of the Agency in his Report to the General Conference in document CG/264, paragraphs 72, 73, 74 and 75, that "All factors indicate that during the past two years, instead of decreasing, the arms race in Latin America has accelerated dangerously";

Aware that one of the factors in the philosophy of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, expressed in the Preamble, is assisting in putting an end to the arms race in all its manifestations;

Convinced of the duty to continue efforts that will make it possible to adopt preliminary measures leading to the establishment of bases for disarmament in the region, in order to consolidate peace and security,

Resolves:

To urge the Member States of the Agency to continue with dialogue and to intensify consultations in order to strengthen measures aimed at establishing a regional disarmament mechanism.

(Adopted on the Fifty-third Session, held on 9 May 1985).