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APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE AGENCY

Application by Bangladesh

Recommendation by the Board of Governors

1. On 16 June 1972 fhe following telegram addressed to the Director General by the Foreign Minister of Bangladesh was communicated to the Board:

"13 JUNE 1972

SIR, IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH 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 PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH 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.

M ABDUS SAMAD AZAD FOREIGN MINISTER GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH."[1]

2. On 21 June the Board considered this application for membership of the Agency in the light of Article IV. B of the Statute, and determined that Bangladesh 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 therefore recommends the Conference to approve Bangladesh for membership of the Agency.

3. The draft resolution overleaf is accordingly submitted for the consideration of the Conference. The Conference will note that it makes provision for initial contributions of Bangladesh towards the Agency's administrative expenses and its advance to the Working Capital Fund.

[1] A confirmatory letter, No. UN-EC/38(b)/72 dated 13 June, was received on 27 June.



APPLICATION BY BANGLADESH FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE AGENCY

The General Conference,

(a) <u>Having received</u> the recommendation of the Board of Governors that Bangladesh should be approved for membership of the Agency, [*] and

(b) <u>Having considered</u> the application of Bangladesh for membership in the light of Article IV. B of the Statute,

1. Approves Bangladesh for membership of the Agency; and

2. <u>Determines</u>, pursuant to Financial Regulation 6.08[**], that in the event of Bangladesh becoming a Member of the Agency before 31 December 1973, it shall be assessed in respect of 1972 and 1973, as appropriate and in accordance with the relevant scale of contributions, for a contribution or contributions towards the Agency's administrative expenses and an advance to the Working Capital Fund.

^[*] GC(XVI)/479, para. 2.

^[**] INFCIRC /8 /Rev. 1.