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## SOUTH AFRICA'S NUCLEAR CAPABILITIES

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The General Conference,

- (a) Having considered the annual report of the Agency for 1985 (GC(XXX)/775) and the report of the Board of Governors on South Africa's nuclear capabilities (GC(XXX)/785),
- (b) Recalling United Nations General Assembly resolutions 40/89 A and B on implementation of the Declaration on the Denuclearization of Africa and the nuclear capability of South Africa, General Assembly resolution 40/64 A on the apartheid policies of South Africa, and resolutions 40/97 A-F on the situation in Namibia resulting from the illegal occupation of the territory by South Africa,
- (c) Alarmed that South Africa's unsafeguarded nuclear facilities have enabled it to develop and acquire the capability of producing fissionable material for nuclear weapons,
- (d) Stressing that the acquisition of nuclear weapon capability by the racist régime constitutes a very grave danger to international peace and security and, in particular, jeopardizes the security of African States and increases the danger of the proliferation of nuclear weapons,
- (e) Bearing in mind that South Africa is strengthening her nuclear capabilities partly through the illegal acquisition of Namibian uranium, and
- (f) Stressing that, despite the requests of the General Conference and the international community, South Africa has persistently violated international law as well as the purposes and principles of the United Nations, upon which the IAEA's activities are based in accordance with Article III.B.1 of the Statute,

1. Takes note of United Nations General Assembly resolutions 40/89 A and B, 40/79 A-F, 40/415, 40/57, 40/64 E and 40/168 A and of General Conference document GC (XXX)/775;
2. Takes note with regret of the report by the Director General of the IAEA on the failure of South Africa to submit all its nuclear facilities to Agency safeguards;
3. Takes note of document GC (XXX)/785, which indicates in paragraph 119 of Annex 2 that "the Board agreed to transmit to the regular session of the General Conference the records of its discussions under that item since September 1985, together with the report of the Director General contained in document GOV/INF/502, to enable the General Conference to decide in terms of operative paragraph 14 of General Conference resolution GC (XXIX)/RES/442, adopted in 1985, on the appropriate action to be taken on that matter in accordance with the Statute.";
4. Demands once again that South Africa urgently submit forthwith all its nuclear installations and facilities to Agency safeguards;
5. Calls upon all Member States which have not yet done so to halt all nuclear co-operation with the racist régime of South Africa and, in particular, to end any assistance concerning the nuclear fuel cycle and the transfer of technology and all purchases of uranium from South Africa and to terminate forthwith all nuclear research contracts with South Africa;
6. Requests Member States to take all necessary measures to prevent any nuclear collaboration by all corporations and enterprises within and under their jurisdiction with South Africa;
7. Calls upon the Agency and Member States to refrain from participating in any expert meetings, panels, conferences or seminars in South Africa;
8. Demands that South Africa stop immediately the plundering and illegal mining, utilization, exploitation and sale of Namibian uranium;
9. Calls upon the Agency's Member States, particularly those whose corporations are involved in the mining and processing of Namibian uranium, to take all appropriate measures in compliance with United Nations resolutions and decisions and with Decree No. 1 for the protection of the natural resources of Namibia, including the practice of requiring negative certificates of origin, to prohibit State-owned and other corporations, together with their subsidiaries, from dealing in Namibian uranium and from engaging in any uranium-prospecting activities in Namibia;
10. Calls once again upon all Member States which have not yet done so to stop all purchases of Namibian uranium;

11. Considers that the continuation of South Africa's policies in disregard and in violation of the purposes and principles of the United Nations, upon which, in accordance with Article III.B of the Statute, the Agency's activities are based, constitutes a persistent violation of the provisions of the Statute within the meaning of Article XIX.B;

12. Requests the Board of Governors to consider recommending the suspension of South Africa from the exercise of the privileges and rights of membership in accordance with Article XIX.B of the Statute at the thirty-first session of the General Conference if, by that time, South Africa has not complied with the relevant General Conference resolutions and conducted itself in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations; and

13. Requests the Director General to bring this resolution to the attention of the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

