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### MEASURES TO STRENGTHEN INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN NUCLEAR, RADIATION AND WASTE SAFETY

## THE CONVENTION ON NUCLEAR SAFETY

## Draft resolution recommended by the Committee of the Whole

#### The General Conference,

(a) <u>Recalling</u> resolution GC(40)/RES/10,

(b) <u>Welcoming</u> the entry into force of the Convention on Nuclear Safety on 24 October 1996,

(c) <u>Welcoming</u> the fact that 41 States have deposited their instruments of ratification, acceptance or approval of the Convention on Nuclear Safety,

(d) <u>Stressing</u> the important role of the Agency in acting as a driving force in nuclear safety through its various safety programmes and initiatives and in promoting international co-operation in this regard,

(e) <u>Noting</u> that a preparatory meeting of Contracting Parties was held in Vienna from 21 to 24 April 1997 with the participation of 34 Contracting Parties,

(f) <u>Recognizing</u> that decisions on implementation of the Convention on Nuclear Safety are the responsibility of States Parties,

1. <u>Appeals</u> to all States to sign and accede to the Convention on Nuclear Safety;

2. <u>Expresses</u> its satisfaction that an organizational meeting will be held from 29 September to 2 October 1998 and that a first review meeting will begin on 12 April 1999; and

3. <u>Requests</u> the Secretariat to provide support, upon request, in accordance with Article 28 of the Convention on Nuclear Safety and <u>also requests</u> the Director General to report on the implementation of this resolution to the General Conference at its forty-second regular session.