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# Amendment to Article XIV.A of the Statute

## *Report by the Director General*

1. On 1 October 1999, by resolution GC(43)/RES/8 the General Conference, at its 43<sup>rd</sup> regular session, approved an amendment to Article XIV.A of the Agency's Statute. The Secretariat submitted document GC(48)/INF/8 to the General Conference at its 48<sup>th</sup> regular session to inform Member States of progress in acceptance by Member States of the amendment and to reiterate the benefits of biennial budgeting.
2. In this connection the Agency's External Auditor has recommended in his report on the audit of the Agency's accounts for 2004 that "efforts be made by Member States to complete the ratification process" for acceptance of the amendment (paragraph 109 of document GC(49)/7 refers).
3. The purpose of this document is to provide an updated report to Member States on the progress made.

## **Progress Made towards Entry Into Force**

4. On 5 September 2005, the Director General sent a circular note verbale to the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of Member States that referred to the circular notes verbales dated 3 November 1999, 10 November 2000 and 26 September 2002 on the issue of amendment to Article XIV.A of the Statute. It was indicated in the note of 5 September 2005 that "[t]he Director General wishes to emphasize that the introduction of biennial budgeting would facilitate better planning and increased flexibility in programme implementation and would thus enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of programme delivery, as described in detail in document GC(48)/INF/8."
5. While, in accordance with Article XVIII.C(ii) of the Statute, two-thirds of all the Members of the Agency will have to accept the amendment in order for it to enter into force, as of this date only 38 Member States have deposited instruments of acceptance with the depositary Government (the United States of America).

6. Attached to this document as Annex I is a list of those States whose acceptance of this amendment has been notified by the depositary Government to the Agency as of the date of this document.

**ACCEPTANCE OF AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XIV.A  
OF THE IAEA STATUTE  
(As informed by the depositary Government)**

**as at 15 September 2005**

<b>Member State</b>	<b>Date of Acceptance</b>
1. Algeria	13 June 2001
2. Argentina	29 May 2002
3. Belarus	16 March 2001
4. Bulgaria	17 July 2003
5. Canada	15 September 2000
6. Croatia	3 November 2000
7. Czech Republic	9 April 2002
8. Finland	14 June 2000
9. France	2 May 2001
10. Germany	20 September 2001
11. Greece	15 June 2001
12. Holy See	2 February 2001
13. Hungary	18 October 2004
14. Iran, Islamic Republic of	22 October 2001
15. Ireland	29 November 2000
16. Italy	3 December 2002
17. Japan	29 June 2004
18. Korea, Republic of	11 February 2000
19. Latvia	8 December 2004
20. Liechtenstein	2 April 2001
21. Lithuania	6 December 2001
22. Luxembourg	14 September 2001
23. Malta	30 December 1999
24. Mexico	15 April 2003
25. Monaco	11 April 2001
26. Myanmar	7 May 2001

**Member State****Date of Acceptance**

27.	Netherlands	12 March 2002
28.	Pakistan	20 June 2000
29.	Peru	14 October 2004
30.	Poland	20 December 2001
31.	Romania	26 June 2001
32.	Slovakia	29 October 2002
33.	Slovenia	3 April 2000
34.	Spain	14 October 2004
35.	Sweden	13 July 2001
36.	Switzerland	24 August 2000
37.	Ukraine	12 February 2003
38.	United Kingdom	2 January 2001