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# Amendment to Article XIV.A of the Statute

Report by the Director General

1. On 1 October 1999, in resolution GC(43)/RES/8, the General Conference, at its  $43^{rd}$  regular session, approved an amendment to Article XIV.A of the Agency's Statute. In 2004, the Secretariat submitted document GC(48)/INF/8 to the General Conference at its  $48^{th}$  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. By decisions GC(49)/DEC/13, GC(50)/DEC/11, GC(51)/DEC/14, GC(52)/DEC/9, GC(53)/DEC/11, GC(54)/DEC/11 and GC(55)/DEC/10, "the General Conference encourage[d] and urge[d] Member States that ha[d] not yet deposited an instrument of acceptance of this amendment to do so as soon as feasible in order to allow the benefits of biennial budgeting to be attained".

3. In this connection, the Agency's External Auditor recommended again in his report on the audit of the Agency's accounts for 2011 that "efforts be made by Member States to complete the ratification process" for acceptance of the amendment (paragraph 77 of document GC(56)/10 refers), repeating his previous recommendations on the audit of the Agency's accounts for 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010.

4. In the context of current resource constraints, Member States' attention is drawn to the fact that the current process of adopting annual budgets draws considerable resources both from the Secretariat and from Member States, which could be utilized otherwise.

5. The purpose of this document is to provide an updated report to Member States on the progress made.

### **Progress Made towards Entry into Force**

6. In accordance with Article XVIII.C(ii) of the Statute, two-thirds of all Member States of the Agency (i.e., 103 States as of the date of this document) have to accept the amendment in order for it to enter into force. Since the report to the last regular session of the General Conference, the Agency has been informed by the depositary Government that three Member States have accepted the amendment. Consequently, the number of Member States that have accepted the amendment is fifty-one.

7. Attached as an Annex is a list of those States whose acceptance of the 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 21 August 2012

#### **Member State**

## **Date of Acceptance**

1	Albania	26 September 2008
2	Algeria	13 June 2001
3	Argentina	29 May 2002
4	Austria	3 November 2006
5	Belarus	16 March 2001
6	. Brazil	29 November 2007
7	. Bulgaria	17 July 2003
8	. Canada	15 September 2000
9	. Croatia	3 November 2000
1	0. Cyprus	9 February 2012
1	1. Czech Republic	9 April 2002
1	2. Denmark	17 August 2010
1	3. Estonia	17 November 2009
1	4. Finland	14 June 2000
1	5. France	2 May 2001
1	6. Germany	20 September 2001
1	7. Greece	15 June 2001
1	8. Holy See	2 February 2001
1	9. Hungary	18 October 2004
2	0. Iceland	4 April 2007
2	1. Iran, Islamic Republic of	22 October 2001
2	2. Ireland	29 November 2000
2	3. Italy	3 December 2002
2	4. Japan	29 June 2004
2	5. Kenya	2 April 2007
2	6. Korea, Republic of	11 February 2000
2	7. Latvia	8 December 2004
2	8. Liechtenstein	2 April 2001
2	9. Lithuania	6 December 2001
3	0. Luxembourg	14 September 2001

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- 31. Malta
- 32. Mexico
- 33. Monaco
- 34. Myanmar
- 35. Netherlands
- 36. Pakistan
- 37. Peru
- 38. Poland
- 39. Romania
- 40. Seychelles
- 41. Slovakia
- 42. Slovenia
- 43. South Africa
- 44. Spain
- 45. Sweden
- 46. Switzerland
- 47. Syria
- 48. Tunisia
- 49. Turkey
- 50. Ukraine
- 51. United Kingdom