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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE AGENCY AND THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA FOR THE APPLICATION OF SAFEGUARDS IN CONNECTION WITH THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS

Resolution adopted on 22 September 2000 at the ninth plenary meeting

The General Conference,

- (a) <u>Recalling</u> the Board of Governors' resolutions GOV/2636, GOV/2639, GOV/2645, GOV/2692, GOV/2711 and GOV/2742 and General Conference resolutions GC(XXXVII)/RES/624, GC(XXXVIII)/RES/16, GC(39)/RES/3, GC(40)/RES/4, GC(41)/RES/22, GC(42)/RES/2 and GC(43)/RES/3,
- (b) <u>Noting</u> with concern the lack of progress reflected in the Director General's report contained in document GC(44)/16 and his introductory statement of 11 September 2000 to the Board of Governors,
- (c) Recalling further resolution 825 (1993) adopted by the Security Council of the United Nations on 11 May 1993 and 31 March 1994, 30 May 1994 and 4 November 1994 statements by the President of the United Nations Security Council, particularly the request to take all steps the Agency may deem necessary to verify full compliance by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) with its safeguards agreement with the Agency,
- (d) <u>Noting</u> that the DPRK remains a party to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) and <u>reaffirming</u> that the IAEA-DPRK safeguards agreement (INFCIRC/403) under the NPT remains binding and in force,
- (e) <u>Noting also</u> the stated intention of the DPRK to come into full compliance with the safeguards agreement and the continuing IAEA-DPRK discussions on outstanding safeguards issues,

- (f) <u>Noting</u> with regret that in these discussions no progress has been made on important issues such as the preservation of information,
- (g) <u>Noting</u> that additional factors, as described in the Director General's report contained in document GC(44)/16 and in his introductory statement of 11 September 2000 to the Board of Governors, further underline the need for full and timely cooperation by the DPRK with the Agency in regard to the verification of the completeness and correctness of the DPRK's initial declaration,
- (h) Regretting the withdrawal of the DPRK from the Agency and expressing the hope that the DPRK will rejoin, and
- (i) <u>Welcoming</u> recent positive developments in north-east Asia and <u>expressing the hope</u> that they will open the way to progress towards full implementation of the relevant agreements,
- 1. <u>Strongly endorses</u> actions taken by the Board of Governors and <u>commends</u> the Director General and the Secretariat for their impartial efforts to implement the IAEA-DPRK safeguards agreement;
- 2. <u>Recognizes</u> the important role of the IAEA in monitoring the freeze of nuclear facilities in the DPRK and <u>commends</u> the Secretariat for its continuous efforts to monitor the freeze of specified facilities in the DPRK as requested by the United Nations Security Council;
- 3. <u>Notes</u> with continuing concern that, although the DPRK remains a party to the NPT, the Agency continues to be unable to verify the correctness and completeness of the initial declaration of nuclear material made by the DPRK and is therefore unable to conclude that there has been no diversion of nuclear material in the DPRK;
- 4. <u>Urges</u> the DPRK to come into full compliance with its safeguards agreement with the Agency, to co-operate fully and promptly with the Agency in the implementation of the safeguards agreement and to take all steps the Agency may deem necessary to preserve all information relevant to verifying the accuracy and completeness of the DPRK's initial report on the inventory of nuclear material subject to safeguards until the DPRK comes into full compliance with its safeguards agreement; and
- 5. <u>Decides</u> to remain seized of this matter and include in the agenda for its forty-fifth regular session an item entitled "Implementation of the agreement between the Agency and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for the application of safeguards in connection with the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons".