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Applications for Membership of the Agency

Application by the Republic of Vanuatu

Recommendation by the Board of Governors

1. On 28 February 2014 the following letter from HE Mr Edward Nipake Natapei, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, International Cooperation and External Trade of the Republic of Vanuatu, was communicated to the Board:

“In the name of the Government of the Republic of Vanuatu, I have the honour to submit an application for membership of the International Atomic Energy Agency.”

“I wish to assure you, in the name of my Government, that the Republic of Vanuatu is willing to carry out the obligations of membership of the Agency and to act in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations.”

2. On 3 March 2014 the Board considered this application for membership of the Agency in the light of Article IV.B of the Statute, and determined that the Republic of Vanuatu was able and willing to carry out the obligations of membership of the Agency and to act in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations.

3. The Board recommends that the Conference approve the Republic of Vanuatu for membership of the Agency, and submits the draft resolution overleaf for the consideration of the Conference.

Application by the Republic of Vanuatu for Membership of the Agency

The General Conference,

- (a) Having received the recommendation of the Board of Governors that the Republic of Vanuatu should be approved for membership of the Agency,¹ and
 - (b) Having considered the application of the Republic of Vanuatu for membership in the light of Article IV.B of the Statute,
1. Approves the Republic of Vanuatu for membership of the Agency; and
 2. Determines, pursuant to Financial Regulation 5.09², that in the event of the Government of the Republic of Vanuatu becoming a Member of the Agency during the remainder of 2014 or in 2015, it shall be assessed as appropriate:
 - (a) For an advance or advances to the Working Capital Fund, in accordance with Financial Regulation 7.04³; and
 - (b) For a contribution or contributions towards the Agency's Regular Budget, in accordance with the principles and arrangements the Conference has established for the assessment of Members for such contributions.⁴

¹ GC(58)/13 para 3

² INFCIRC/8/Rev.3.

³ INFCIRC/8/Rev.3.

⁴ Resolutions GC(III)RES/50, GC(XXI)RES/351, GC(39)RES/11, GC(44)/RES/9 and GC(47)/RES/5.