SECOND REGULAR SESSION

Item 17 of the provisional agenda
(GC(II)/35)

MEASURES TO OBTAIN VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GENERAL FUND INCLUDING THE CALLING OF A PLEDGING CONFERENCE

Brazil, Canada, Japan, Norway, the United Arab Republic and the United States of America:

Joint draft resolution

The General Conference

Having regard to the provisions of Article XIV E and F of the Statute;

Having in mind the Report of the Board of Governors on rules for the acceptance of voluntary contributions to the Agency;\(^1\)/

Noting the Board's proposal that a pledging conference should be held each year during or immediately after the regular session of the General Conference, at which members could make definite commitments to provide finances to the General Fund of the Agency;\(^2\)/

Recognizing the importance of obtaining pledges at its Second Regular Session in order to ascertain approximately the total amount of financial contributions to the General Fund available from participating Member States in 1959;

1. Decides that during its Second Regular Session the General Conference shall convene a Special Committee of the whole Conference, under the chairmanship of the President of the Conference, where pledges of voluntary financial contributions to the General Fund to meet the expenses of the operational part of the Agency's budget for 1959 would be announced, it being understood that such pledges might be subject to the approval of the legislative authorities of the Member State concerned;

\(^1\)/ GC(II)/37.

\(^2\)/ GC(II)/35, annotation to Item 17 of the provisional agenda.
2. **Affirms** that the above decision is without prejudice to any decision eventually taken on rules regarding the acceptance of voluntary financial contributions to the Agency;

3. **Requests** the General Committee to make arrangements for convening the Special Committee as soon as possible after adoption of the budget for 1959 by the General Conference.

4. **Further requests** the General Committee to make arrangements for the submission of the report of the Special Committee to the General Conference before the end of the second session.