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VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GENERAL FUND FOR 1962

Report of the Committee for Pledges of Voluntary Contributions to the General Fund

Rapporteur: Mr. R. POLACZEK (Austria)

1. At its third meeting, on 4 October 1961, the Committee considered the draft resolution submitted jointly by Brazil and South Africa concerning the need for increasing voluntary contributions to the General Fund.\(^1\)

2. The Committee unanimously elected Mr. Polaczek (Austria) as its Vice-Chairman and Rapporteur.

3. In the course of the discussion, the sponsors made an oral amendment whereby, in sub-paragraph (c) of the consideranda, the word "approximately" was inserted before the word "two-thirds". The draft resolution, as amended, was approved by 23 votes in favor, 4 against and with 16 abstentions in a roll-call vote.

4. The Committee accordingly recommends the following resolution for adoption by the General Conference.

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INCREASED VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GENERAL FUND

The General Conference,

(a) Considering that some of the most important activities of the Agency are financed by voluntary contributions from its Member States,

(b) Aware that these activities constitute the bulk of the Agency's direct assistance to those of its Member States that are less advanced in nuclear technology,

\(^1\) GC(V)/163.
(c) Seriously concerned by the fact that in no year to date have voluntary contributions amounted to more than approximately two-thirds of the target figure established by the General Conference, and

(d) Noting with appreciation the action of the General Assembly of the United Nations in unanimously inviting the economically developed Members of the United Nations and the Agency to increase their voluntary contributions to the General Fund, 1/

1. Fully endorses the appeal made by the General Assembly of the United Nations in paragraph 2 of resolution 1531 (XV);

2. Invites such Members to make voluntary contributions to the General Fund for 1962 and succeeding years in amounts that are at least the same percentages of the target for each year as are their assessed contributions to the Regular Budget; and

3. Invites other Members which for any reason are unable to contribute to the General Fund on the scale indicated in paragraph 2 of this resolution to demonstrate their continued support of the Agency by making each year at least a token contribution to that Fund.

1/ General Assembly resolution 1531(XV), paragraph 2, reproduced in document GC(V)/154, Annex III.