The Agency's relations with intergovernmental organizations

Representation at the fifteenth (1971) regular session of the General Conference

Recommendation by the Board of Governors

1. The Agency has co-operation agreements with three intergovernmental organizations [1] which entitle them to be represented at regular sessions of the General Conference. [2] There are, however, other such organizations concerned with developing uses of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes or with research in the nuclear sciences, whose work on certain technical problems touches that of the Agency and whose representation at the Conference's session next year may therefore be in the Agency's interest.

2. In this connection the Conference will recall that it has regularly authorized the Board to invite certain intergovernmental organizations to be represented by observers at its subsequent session. [3] In the Board's opinion it would be desirable for the Conference to continue to follow this course by authorizing the Board to extend such invitations in respect of next year's session, and it accordingly recommends the Conference to adopt the draft resolution overleaf.

[1] An agreement with a fourth organization is under negotiation.


[3] See, for example, Resolution GC(XIII)/RES/260.
The General Conference,

(a) Taking into account Rule 32(a) of the Rules of Procedure [*], which provides for the attendance at its sessions of representatives of intergovernmental organizations with which appropriate relationships have been established under Article XVI of the Statute, and

(b) Considering the fact that before its fifteenth regular session in 1971 such relationships will not have been established with all organizations the attendance of representatives of which may be in the interest of the Agency,

Authorizes the Board of Governors to invite intergovernmental organizations other than those with which the Agency has established relationships under Article XVI of the Statute, engaged in the peaceful uses of atomic energy in accordance with the objectives of the Agency as stipulated in the Statute, to be represented by observers at the fifteenth regular session of the Conference in 1971.

[*] GC(VII)/INF/60.