The General Conference,

(a) Recalling the resolutions adopted at its nineteenth, twenty-first, twenty-seventh, twenty-eighth, twenty-ninth, thirtieth and thirty-first regular sessions regarding the physical protection of nuclear material 1/,

(b) Recalling the adoption, in October 1979, of the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material,

(c) Noting that to date there are 47 signatories of and 23 parties to the Convention, and

(d) Noting that the Convention entered into force in February 1987,

1. Expresses its appreciation to the Director General for his report on the signature and ratification status and implementation of the Convention 2/;

2. Continues to express the hope that the Convention will obtain the widest possible adherence; and

3. Requests the Director General to report to the General Conference at its next regular session on the signature and ratification status of the Convention.

1/ GC(XIX)/RES/328, GC(XXI)/RES/350, GC(XXVII)/RES/415, GC(XXVIII)/RES/424, GC(XXIX)/RES/441, GC(XXX)/RES/461 and GC(XXXI)/RES/472.

2/ GC(XXXII)/840/Mod.1, Annex 1.