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## CODE OF PRACTICE ON THE INTERNATIONAL TRANSBOUNDARY MOVEMENT OF RADIOACTIVE WASTE

Draft resolution recommended by the Committee of the Whole

## The General Conference,

(a) <u>Recalling</u> the concern expressed about the possibility of unauthorized movement and disposal - "dumping" - of radioactive waste on the territory of developing countries,

(b) <u>Recalling</u> resolution GC(XXXII)/RES/490 entitled "Dumping of nuclear waste", which requested the Director General of the Agency to establish a representative technical working group of experts with the objective of elaborating an internationally agreed Code of Practice for international transactions involving nuclear wastes,

(c) <u>Expressing</u> appreciation of the Director General's report contained in document GC(XXXIV)/920, and

(d) <u>Taking note</u> with appreciation of the Code of Practice on International Transboundary Movement of Radioactive Waste adopted by consensus by the Working Group of Experts,

1. Adopts the Code of Practice on the International Transboundary Movement of Radioactive Waste;

2. <u>Requests</u> Member States to be guided in all matters relevant to international transboundary movement of nuclear waste by the provisions of the Code and to include these provisions as appropriate in their national legislation and in their bilateral and multilateral co-operation agreements;

3. <u>Requests</u> the Director General to take all necessary steps to ensure wide dissemination of the Code of Practice both at the national and the international level;

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4. <u>Requests</u> the Director General to bring the Code of Practice on International Transboundary Movement of Radioactive Waste to the attention of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the executive heads of United Nations organizations concerned;

5. <u>Further requests</u> the Director General to monitor the implementation of the Code of Practice by Member States and to report to the General Conference as appropriate; and

6. <u>Decides</u> to keep the question of international transboundary movement of radioactive waste under active review, including the desirability of concluding a legally binding instrument under the auspices of the IAEA.