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IMPLEMENTATION OF UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS RELATING TO IRAQ

Resolution adopted on 22 September 2000 at the ninth plenary meeting

The General Conference,

(a) <u>Recalling</u> United Nations Security Council resolutions 687, 707, 715 and 1051 and resolution 1284, which reaffirms the Agency's mandate in Iraq and provides the framework for the resumption of the Agency's activities in Iraq,

(b) <u>Recalling</u> further the resolutions of the thirty-fifth (1991), thirty-sixth (1992), thirty-seventh (1993), thirty-eighth (1994), thirty-ninth (1995), fortieth (1996), forty-first (1997), forty-second (1998) and forty-third (1999) General Conferences (GC(XXXV)/RES/568, GC(XXXVI)/RES/579, GC(XXXVII)/RES/626, GC(XXXVIII)/RES/19, GC(39)/RES/5, GC(40)/RES/21, GC(41)/RES/23, GC(42)/RES/3 and GC(43)/RES/22),

(c) <u>Taking note of</u> the Director General's report contained in document GC(44)/11, his introductory statement to the forty-fourth General Conference, his eighth and ninth consolidated six-monthly reports to the Security Council (GOV/INF/2000/9 and GOV/INF/2000/10) and his report to the Board of Governors (GOV/2000/35),

(d) <u>Noting with concern</u> that since 16 December 1998 the Agency has not been in a position to implement its mandate in Iraq under the relevant Security Council resolutions, and has thus been unable to provide any measure of assurance with regard to Iraq's compliance with its obligations under those resolutions,

(e) <u>Noting</u> that the Agency's physical inventory verification (PIV) took place in January 2000 and that the Director General stated in his report to the 44th session of the General Conference that "Iraq provided the necessary co-operation for the inspection team to perform its activities effectively and efficiently", pursuant to Iraq's safeguards agreement with the Agency in accordance with the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons; <u>noting</u>, however, that this PIV had the limited objective of verifying nuclear material under safeguards in Iraq and cannot serve as a substitute for the Agency's activities under the relevant Security Council resolutions, and that the resumption by the Agency of these activities is essential for the Agency to fulfil its mandate and to provide the necessary assurances sought by the Security Council,

(f) <u>Concerned</u> that the Agency has not received from Iraq the semi-annual declarations required by the Agency's ongoing monitoring and verification plan, which were due on 15 January 1999, 15 July 1999, 15 January 2000 and 15 July 2000, and which are the principal means for Iraq to provide information regarding the current use and any changes in the use of certain facilities, installations and sites and regarding the inventory and location of certain materials, equipment and isotopes, and

(g) <u>Noting</u> that the status of the Agency's technically coherent picture of Iraq's past clandestine programme has not evolved in the last year, and that provided the Agency could satisfy itself that Iraq's past and present nuclear activities have not changed since December 1998, remaining questions and concerns about Iraq's past nuclear programme would not prevent full implementation of the Agency's ongoing monitoring and verification plan,

1. <u>Commends</u> the Director General and the Agency's Action Team for their strenuous efforts to implement Security Council resolutions 687, 707, 715, 1051 and 1284 relating to Iraq;

2. <u>Calls upon</u> Iraq to implement in full all relevant Security Council resolutions, including resolution 1284, and in this regard to co-operate fully with the Agency and to provide the necessary access to enable the Agency to carry out its mandate;

3. <u>Urges</u> Iraq to submit without further delay the semi-annual declarations required by the Agency's ongoing monitoring and verification plan;

4. <u>Requests</u> the Agency, on return to Iraq, to focus initially on regaining a level of knowledge of the status of Iraq's nuclear-related assets required for the full implementation of the Agency's system of ongoing monitoring and verification, and <u>also requests</u> the Agency to continue to identify and investigate remaining questions and concerns mentioned in preambular paragraph (g), along with any other aspect of Iraq's clandestine nuclear programme that may come to its knowledge;

5. <u>Welcomes</u> the Agency's work to update its operational plan and the fact that the Agency remains prepared to resume implementation of its ongoing monitoring and verification plan at short notice;

6. <u>Welcomes</u> the ongoing co-ordination and contacts between the Agency and UNMOVIC, including the reconstitution of the joint import/export mechanism; and

7. <u>Requests</u> the Director General to report the views of the General Conference to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and to report to the Board of Governors and to the forty-fifth regular session of the General Conference on his efforts to implement Security Council resolutions 687, 707, 715, 1051 and 1284 and <u>decides</u> to remain seized of this issue.