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Application for Membership of the Agency Application by the Lao People's Democratic Republic

Recommendation by the Board of Governors

1. On 4 November 2010 the following letter from HE Dr Thongloun Sisoulith, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, was communicated to the Board:

“In the name of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, I have the honour to submit an application for membership of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).

“I wish to assure you, in the name of my Government, that the Lao People's Democratic Republic is willing to carry out the obligations of membership of the Agency and to act in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations.”

2. On 2 December 2010 the Board considered this application for membership of the Agency in the light of Article IV.B of the Statute, and determined that the Lao People's Democratic Republic was able and willing to carry out the obligations of membership of the Agency and to act in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations.

3. The Board recommends that the Conference approve the Lao People's Democratic Republic for membership of the Agency, and submits the draft resolution overleaf for the consideration of the Conference.

Application by the Lao People's Democratic Republic for Membership of the Agency

The General Conference,

- a) Having received the recommendation of the Board of Governors that the Lao People's Democratic Republic should be approved for membership of the Agency,¹ and
 - b) Having considered the application of the Lao People's Democratic Republic for membership in the light of Article IV.B of the Statute,
1. Approves the Lao People's Democratic Republic for membership of the Agency; and
 2. Determines, pursuant to Financial Regulation 5.09², that in the event of the Lao People's Democratic Republic becoming a Member of the Agency during the remainder of 2011 or in 2012, it shall be assessed as appropriate:
 - a) For an advance or advances to the Working Capital Fund, in accordance with Financial Regulation 7.04³; and
 - b) For a contribution or contributions towards the Agency's Regular Budget, in accordance with the principles and arrangements the Conference has established for the assessment of Members for such contributions.⁴

¹ GC(55)/12, para 3

² INFCIRC/8/Rev.2

³ INFCIRC/8/Rev.2

⁴ Resolutions GC(III)RES/50, GC(XXI)RES/351, GC (39)RES/11, GC(44)/RES/9 and GC(47)/RES/5.