Conference of Non-Nuclear-Weapon States

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The Conference of Non-Nuclear-Weapon States,

Recalling resolutions 2028 (XX), 2153B (XXI), 2346B (XXII) and 2373 (XXII) of the United Nations General Assembly,

Recalling that Article IV of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons provides that all the Parties to the Treaty have the right to participate in the fullest possible exchange of equipment, materials and scientific and technological information for the peaceful uses of nuclear energy,

Recalling also that Article V of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons calls for appropriate international procedures in order for non-nuclear-weapon States to receive the potential benefits arising from any peaceful applications of nuclear explosions,

Noting the International Atomic Energy Agency's activities to carry out the function of stimulating international exchange of scientific and technological information and its efforts to assist developing countries in their efforts to acquire technical capabilities in the field of peaceful uses of nuclear power,

Calls upon the Agency to continue its utmost efforts for compilation and dissemination of public information concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, including those related to the peaceful application of nuclear explosions:

Recommends that the Agency study appropriate international arrangements to facilitate exchange of scientific and technical information which have commercial or industrial value and are not publicly available, so as to make it possible for the countries with interest to know of the existence and outline of such information and to enable the interested parties to enter into negotiations about the purchase of such information with the owners thereof;

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Recommends that the Agency initiate a study of what function it may perform for the prevention of undue restrictions placed on free international exchange of scientific and technical information for the reason of national security.

II

Recommends that the Agency study further the ways and means of making efficient use of the funds available for technical assistance, taking into full consideration the views of the interested countries, particularly those of the developing countries, expressed in this Conference.

III

Recommends that the International Atomic Energy Agency study the most effective means of ensuring access to special fissionable materials on commercial basis.

IV

Recommends that the Agency, in relation to the implementation of Article V of the Treaty, initiate necessary studies to ascertain its role in:
(a) providing necessary services through international procedures,
(b) acting as an intermediary for international transmittal of related technical information, and
(c) contributing to the conclusion of the agreements provided for in the said Article.

V

Requests the Secretary General of the United Nations to bring this resolution to the attention of the Agency, together with the relevant records of the proceedings of the Conference of the Non-Nuclear Weapon States and the relevant proposals submitted thereto.