

5. *Invites* Member States, non-governmental organizations and academic, scientific and educational institutions at all levels, as well as individuals, to continue their efforts to assist the United Nations in promoting peace in the world;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to invite Member States and organizations concerned to report to him on their activities and initiatives in pursuit of those ends and to submit to the General Assembly, at its forty-eighth session, a report under the item entitled "Programmes and activities to promote peace in the world".

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**46/15. Contribution of the Institute of East-West Dynamics to programmes and activities to promote peace in the world**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recognizing* the peaceful transition to more democratic systems currently under way in many countries,

*Having considered* that facilitating the efforts of societies in such a transition should remain within the purview of the United Nations system,

*Bearing in mind* that economic and social development and international cooperation are essential to the maintenance of world peace and stability,

*Endorsing* therefore the need to strengthen political, social and economic links among all countries and regions of the world by promoting greater contact, exchanges and sharing of experience and expertise,

*Recognizing* the opportunities for broader theoretical and practical exchanges among various research and development institutions throughout the world,

1. *Welcomes* the establishment, at the initiative of the Conference on Resolving the Problems, Defining the Opportunities: A Project for Peace, hosted by the United Nations at its Headquarters in January 1989, of the Institute of East-West Dynamics, working in close cooperation with the United Nations, and created to assist societies in transition in developing their democratic institutions and market mechanisms through transfer of professional and technical expertise;

2. *Recommends* to the Institute, in its further activities, to take into account the need to examine the issues relating to, and problems arising from, the transition, so as to ease the readjustment burden and thus avert or alleviate resulting tensions which may undermine international stability and peace;

3. *Expresses the hope* that the Institute and its activities and programmes will receive the widest possible support through voluntary contributions made by Governments, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, foundations, concerned individuals and the private sector;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take appropriate measures in order to provide for cooperation between the Institute and the competent United Nations bodies.

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**46/16. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having received* the report of the International Atomic Energy Agency to the General Assembly for the year 1990,<sup>27</sup>

*Taking note* of the statement of the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency of 21 October 1991,<sup>28</sup> which provides additional information on the main developments in the activities of the Agency during 1991,

*Recognizing* the importance of the work of the Agency to promote further the application of atomic energy for peaceful purposes, as envisaged in its statute,

*Also recognizing* the special needs of the developing countries for technical assistance by the Agency in order to benefit effectively from the application of nuclear technology for peaceful purposes as well as from the contribution of nuclear energy to their economic development,

*Conscious* of the importance of the work of the Agency in the implementation of safeguards provisions of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons<sup>29</sup> and other international treaties, conventions and agreements designed to achieve similar objectives, as well as in ensuring, as far as it is able, that the assistance provided by the Agency or at its request or under its supervision or control is not used in such a way as to further any military purpose, as stated in article II of its statute,

*Further recognizing* the importance of the work of the Agency on nuclear power, applications of nuclear methods and techniques, nuclear safety, radiological protection and radioactive waste management, including its work directed towards assisting developing countries in planning for the introduction of nuclear power in accordance with their needs,

*Again stressing* the need for the highest standards of safety in the design and operation of nuclear plants so as to minimize risks to life, health and the environment,

*Bearing in mind* resolutions GC(XXXV)/RES/551 on revision of the Basic Safety Standards for Radiation Protection, GC(XXXV)/RES/552 on education and training in radiation protection and nuclear safety, GC(XXXV)/RES/553 on measures to strengthen international cooperation in matters relating to nuclear safety and radiological protection, GC(XXXV)/RES/554 on the contribution of the Agency to sustainable development, GC(XXXV)/RES/555 on the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material, GC(XXXV)/RES/559 on strengthening of the safeguards system, GC(XXXV)/RES/563 entitled "Plan for producing potable water economically", GC(XXXV)/RES/567 on the nuclear capabilities of South Africa, GC(XXXV)/RES/568 on the non-compliance by Iraq with its safeguards obligations, GC(XXXV)/RES/569 on strengthening of the main activities of the Agency, GC(XXXV)/RES/570 on Israeli nuclear capabilities and threat, and GC(XXXV)/RES/571 on the application of safeguards of the Agency in the Middle East, adopted on 20 September 1991 by the General Conference of the Agency at its thirty-fifth regular session,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the International Atomic Energy Agency;<sup>27</sup>

2. *Affirms* its confidence in the role of the Agency in the application of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes;