33/3. 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 1977,5

Noting that the statement of the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency of 2 November 19786 provides additional information on the main developments in the Agency's activities,

Considering the important role played by the International Atomic Energy Agency in the field of the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, which is at present the main alternative source of energy readily available, and therefore the increasing tasks which the Agency will be called upon to undertake,

Appreciating the contribution of the International Atomic Energy Agency to the assessment of uranium resources, its current study on the international management of plutonium and spent fuel, its assistance in the negotiation of a text for a convention on the physical protection of nuclear material, its technical and administrative support to the ongoing nuclear fuel cycle evaluation and its important work in nuclear safety and environmental protection,

Bearing in mind the intention of the International Atomic Energy Agency to convene in 1981 or 1982 a second major international conference on nuclear power and its fuel cycle, similar to the one held at Salzburg from 2 to 13 May 1977,

Noting with satisfaction the work of the International Atomic Energy Agency in the realization of the provisions of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons⁷ and other international treaties, conventions and agreements designed to protect mankind from the misuse of nuclear energy,

Bearing in mind the special needs of the developing countries for technical assistance by the International Atomic Energy Agency in order to benefit from the contribution of nuclear energy to their economic development,

Noting with appreciation the inclusion in the statement of the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency of the substance of the discussion which took place at the twenty-second regular session of the General Conference of the Agency, held in September 1978, concerning the proposed increase in the representation of the areas of Africa and of the Middle East and South Asia on the Board of Governors,

- Takes note of the report of the International Atomic Energy Agency;
- 2. Urges all States to support the endeavours of the International Atomic Energy Agency in furthering, pursuant to its statute, the peaceful uses of atomic energy, in developing and applying safeguards and in assisting Member States, particularly developing coun-

⁵ International Atomic Energy Agency, *The Annual Report* for 1977 (Austria, July 1978); transmitted to the members of the General Assembly by a note of the Secretary-General (A/33/145).

6 Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-third Ses-

sion, Plenary Meetings, 41st meeting, paras. 2-40.
⁷ Resolution 2373 (XXII), annex.

tries, to plan and carry out programmes in the field of energy and various applications of nuclear tech-

- 3. Requests the International Atomic Energy Agency to strengthen its activities in the field of technical assistance to developing countries and urges Member States to help the Agency to achieve this goal by increasing their voluntary contributions;
- Notes with interest the intention of the International Atomic Energy Agency to hold another major international conference on nuclear power and its fuel cycle, similar to the one held at Salzburg in May 1977, and requests the Agency, bearing in mind General Assembly resolution 32/50 of 8 December 1977, to consider broadening the scope of the conference to include the consideration of measures to promote international co-operation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy for economic and social development, particularly in the developing countries;
- Invites the International Atomic Energy Agency to give thorough, prompt and fair consideration to the proposals for an increase in the representation of the areas of Africa and of the Middle East and South Asia on the Board of Governors, with a view to reaching an early decision;
- Requests the Secretary-General to transmit to the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency the records of the thirty-third session of the General Assembly relating to the Agency's activities.

42nd plenary meeting 2 November 1978

33/4. Peaceful use of nuclear energy for economic and social development

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the International Atomic Energy Agency to the General Assembly for the year 1977,8

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General submitted in accordance with General Assembly resolution 32/50 of 8 December 1977,9

Recognizing the importance of enhancing the role of the International Atomic Energy Agency in the promotion of the application of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes and of augmenting its resources for technical assistance to the developing countries in this field.

Having in mind the significance of nuclear energy for economic development and, in particular, its important role in accelerating the development of developing countries,

Recalling the principles and provisions of its resolution 32/50 concerning international co-operation for the promotion of the transfer and utilization of nuclear technology for economic and social development, especially in the developing countries,

9 A/33/332.

⁸ International Atomic Energy Agency, The Annual Report for 1977 (Austria, July 1978); transmitted to the members of the General Assembly by a note of the Secretary-General (A/33/145)

Recalling also the contents of the relevant paragraphs of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly, 10

- 1. Invites all States to continue to consider the convening, at an appropriate stage, of an international conference or conferences, under the auspices of the United Nations system, aimed at promoting international co-operation in the peaceful use of nuclear energy in accordance with the objectives of General Assembly resolution 32/50;
- 2. Requests the Secretary-General to urge all States to communicate to him their views, observations and suggestions on such a conference and requests him to submit a report thereon to the General Assembly at its thirty-fourth session.

42nd plenary meeting 2 November 1978

33/9. Credentials of representatives to the thirtythird session of the General Assembly

A

The General Assembly

Approves the first report of the Credentials Committee.¹¹

43rd plenary meeting 3 November 1978

B

The General Assembly

Approves the second report of the Credentials Committee. 12

99th plenary meeting 24 May 1979

33/15. Question of Cyprus¹³

The General Assembly,

Having considered the question of Cyprus,

Recalling its resolution 3212 (XXIX) of 1 November 1974 and its subsequent resolutions,

Greatly concerned over the prolongation of the Cyprus crisis, which continues to constitute a serious threat to international peace and security,

Deeply regretting that the resolutions of the United Nations on Cyprus have not yet been implemented,

Expressing deep concern over the lack of progress in the intercommunal talks,

Deploring the continued presence of foreign armed forces and foreign military personnel on the territory of the Republic of Cyprus and the fact that part of its territory is still occupied by foreign forces,

Deploring also all unilateral actions that change the demographic structure of Cyprus,

10 Resolution S-10/2.

Mindful of the need to settle the question of Cyprus without further delay by peaceful means in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations,

- 1. Reiterates its full support for the sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity and non-alignment of the Republic of Cyprus and calls once again for the cessation of all foreign interference in its affairs;
- 2. Demands the immediate and effective implementation of resolution 3212 (XXIX), unanimously adopted by the General Assembly and endorsed by the Security Council in its resolution 365 (1974) of 13 December 1974, and of the subsequent resolutions of the Assembly and the Council on Cyprus, which provide the valid basis for the solution of the problem of Cyprus;
- 3. Demands the immediate withdrawal of all foreign armed forces and foreign military presence from the Republic of Cyprus;
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to provide his good offices for the negotiations between the representatives of the two communities;
- 5. Calls for respect of the human rights of all Cypriots and the instituting of urgent measures for the voluntary return of the refugees to their homes in safety;
- 6. Calls for the urgent resumption in a meaningful and constructive manner of the negotiations under the auspices of the Secretary-General between the representatives of the two communities, to be conducted freely on an equal footing on the basis of comprehensive and constructive proposals of the parties concerned with a view to reaching as early as possible a mutually acceptable agreement based on their fundamental and legitimate rights;
- 7. Calls upon the parties concerned to refrain from any unilateral action which might adversely affect the prospects of a just and lasting solution of the problem of Cyprus by peaceful means and to co-operate fully with the Secretary-General in the performance of his task under the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council as well as with the United Nations Peace-keeping Force in Cyprus;
- 8. Recommends that the Security Council should examine the question of the implementation, within a time-frame, of its relevant resolutions and consider and adopt thereafter, if necessary, all appropriate and practical measures under the Charter of the United Nations for ensuring the implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations on Cyprus;
- 9. Decides to include the item entitled "Question of Cyprus" in the provisional agenda of its thirty-fourth session and requests the Secretary-General to follow up the implementation of the present resolution and to report on all its aspects to the General Assembly at that session.

49th plenary meeting 9 November 1978

33/17. Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea¹⁴

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 3067 (XXVIII) of 16 November 1973, 3334 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974,

¹¹ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-third Session, Annexes, agenda item 3, document A/33/350.

¹² Ibid., document A/33/350/Add.1.
13 See also sect. I, foot-note 4, and sect. X.B.3, decision 33/402.

¹⁴ See also sect. X.B.7, decision 33/405.