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Brazilian-Argentine Agency for Accounting and Control of Nuclear Materials

The General Assembly,

Recalling the principles of the Agreement between the Republic of Argentina and the Federative Republic of Brazil for the Exclusively Peaceful Use of Nuclear Energy,¹ which was signed on 18 July 1991 and by which the Common System of Accounting and Control of Nuclear Materials and the Brazilian-Argentine Agency for Accounting and Control of Nuclear Materials were established,

Recalling also the provisions of the Agreement of 13 December 1991 between the Republic of Argentina, the Federative Republic of Brazil, the Brazilian-Argentine Agency for Accounting and Control of Nuclear Materials and the International Atomic Energy Agency for the Application of Safeguards,²

Reaffirming the conviction of the States parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons³ that the Treaty is the cornerstone of the nuclear non-proliferation and disarmament regime while ensuring the benefits of the peaceful uses of nuclear energy,

Recognizing the principles of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco),⁴ and welcoming its important contribution to the achievement of the objectives of nuclear disarmament and nuclear non-proliferation,

Mindful of the role played by the International Atomic Energy Agency with respect to nuclear safeguards and verification pursuant to article III of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, with a view to preventing the diversion of

¹ CD/1117.

² International Atomic Energy Agency, document INFCIRC/435.

³ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 729, No. 10485.

⁴ Ibid., vol. 634, No. 9068.



nuclear energy from peaceful uses to nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices,

Considering that, in accordance with the aforementioned article, non-nuclear-weapon States parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons may enter into agreements with the International Atomic Energy Agency either individually or together with other States, in accordance with the Agency's statute,

Considering also that bilateral and regional safeguards agreements involving the International Atomic Energy Agency play an important role in the further promotion of transparency and mutual confidence between States and also provide assurances concerning nuclear non-proliferation,

Considering further the contribution by the Brazilian-Argentine Agency for Accounting and Control of Nuclear Materials in researching and developing innovative verification methods for improving efficiency in safeguards implementation,

1. *Notes with satisfaction* that the year 2021 marks the thirtieth anniversary of the entry into force of the Agreement between the Republic of Argentina and the Federative Republic of Brazil for the Exclusively Peaceful Use of Nuclear Energy, on 12 December 1991, and of the establishment of the Common System of Accounting and Control of Nuclear Materials and the Brazilian-Argentine Agency for Accounting and Control of Nuclear Materials;

2. *Welcomes* the continued cooperation between the Brazilian-Argentine Agency for Accounting and Control of Nuclear Materials and the International Atomic Energy Agency, and encourages them to increase their cooperation, taking into account their respective responsibilities and competencies;

3. *Notes* that the Brazilian-Argentine Agency for Accounting and Control of Nuclear Materials has proved itself as an innovative and effective bilateral confidence-building mechanism, with positive effects for peace and security at the subregional and regional levels, and as a reference of best practice in nuclear safeguards and non-proliferation verification;

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-seventh session an item entitled "Brazilian-Argentine Agency for Accounting and Control of Nuclear Materials".
