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CONSOLIDATED REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION BY MEMBER STATES OF THE 1993 RECOMMENDATION ON THE RECOGNITION OF STUDIES AND QUALIFICATIONS IN HIGHER EDUCATION

(document 36 C/56)

- 1. The Legal Committee considered the consolidated report on the implementation by Member States of the 1993 Recommendation on the Recognition of Studies and Qualifications in Higher Education.
- 2. The Committee took note of the report supplemented by comments made on the subject by the Committee on Conventions and Recommendations at the 187th session of the Executive Board. It also took note of further information provided by the representative of the Director-General on the implementation of the Recommendation.
- 3. The Committee adopted a formal amendment to the text of the draft resolution contained in paragraph 7 of document 36 C/56, which should read as follows:

The General Conference.

Recalling that, at its 27th session (Paris, 1993), it adopted the Recommendation on the Recognition of Studies and Qualifications in Higher Education,

Recalling that, at its 34th session (Paris, 2007), it identified the Recommendation on the Recognition of Studies and Qualifications in Higher Education as a priority to be monitored by the UNESCO Secretariat (34 C/Resolution 87),

Recalling document 177 EX/35, 184 EX/Decision 20, 186 EX/Decision 19 (III) and 187 EX/Decision 20 (II),

1. <u>Takes note</u> of the report on the implementation of the 1993 Recommendation on the Recognition of Studies and Qualifications in Higher Education;

- 2. <u>Recognizes</u> and <u>welcomes</u> the progress made in the implementation of certain items of the Recommendation, in particular the adoption of comprehensive policies and legislation on recognition;
- 3. <u>Invites</u> all Member States to strengthen their efforts to ensure the full and comprehensive implementation of the items of the 1993 Recommendation, to recognize knowledge as universal and a part of the common heritage of humankind, and to promote making knowledge and learning more accessible to each individual;
- 4. <u>Invites</u> the Director-General to:
 - (a) promote the development of institutional arrangements for the implementation of the 1993 Recommendation through the six conventions on the recognition of studies and qualifications in higher education;
 - (b) provide effective technical support to Member States in need of such support to facilitate this recognition across all regions, and
 - (c) continue monitoring as a priority the 1993 Recommendation, particularly in the context of the revisions to the regional and interregional conventions on the recognition of studies and qualifications in higher education.