



Resolution 538 (1972)¹

Reply to the 13th activity report of the European Nuclear Energy Agency (ENEA)

Parliamentary Assembly

The Assembly,

1. Thanks the Council of OECD for transmitting to it the 13th activity report of the European Nuclear Energy Agency ;
2. Expresses its appreciation of the work done by the Agency in developing nuclear techniques for purposes of clear social utility of which the work on cardiac pacemakers and food irradiation are two examples ;
3. Welcomes the continuation of the Halden Project until at least the end of 1975 ;
4. Repeats the conviction expressed in its [Resolution 491 \(1971\)](#) that ENEA has an indispensable role to play as the only forum in which a coherent and scientifically well-balanced overall European programme for radioactive waste management can be worked out ;
5. Encourages the Agency to give wider publicity to its work in this field and, in particular, to continue its work of disseminating objective information to improve public understanding of the complex problems involved in radioactive waste management, and ways of solving these problems ;
6. Welcomes the advance in computer techniques made both in connection with nuclear energy information systems and computer control systems for nuclear plants, and expresses the wish that the results of these researches should be made available to computer specialists in other fields ;
7. Appeals to European governments to make a major commitment to nuclear power generation while at the same time studying its effect on the environment, to accept the necessity of large-scale capital investment and work to overcome any disagreements over technology which might hold up the coordination of policy ;
8. Resolves to instruct its Committee on Science and Technology, in consultation with its Committee on Economic Affairs and Development, to continue studies in favour of nuclear power generation at a European level, with particular regard to ways of mitigating its harmful effects on the environment.

1. See [Doc. 3220](#), report of the Committee on Science and Technology. Text adopted by the Standing Committee, acting on behalf of the Assembly, on 14 December 1972.

