



**IASPEI RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED 30TH GENERAL
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RECOGNISING the increasing human and economic losses caused by natural hazards,

RECOGNISING the proven and latent ability of scientific and technical knowledge to reduce natural disaster losses,

NOTES that the International Decade of Natural Disaster Reduction is at its final stage,

URGES the United Nations, and national scientific and development organizations to expand and refocus support for worldwide hazard mitigation,

RECOMMENDS that international professional societies, particularly the IUGG and its Associations, continue IDNDR-related activities beyond the Decade, and

RESOLVES to continue and strengthen its geophysical programs related to earthquake and associated hazards.

Coordinated Monitoring Systems

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RECOGNISING the growing availability worldwide of digital and remote-sensing instrumentation systems,

NOTES the proven application to earthquakes and associated hazards, of such systems for preparation, warning and response,

URGES all seismologists, earthquake engineers and risk reduction organisations to strengthen and expand such coordinated monitoring systems, and

RESOLVES to encourage research into improved theoretical and technological bases and applications of such systems.

Open Access

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RECOGNISING the valuable contribution that data from the International Monitoring System for the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty will have for the geoscientific research, earthquake monitoring, assessment of earthquake and tsunami hazards, and education,

RECOGNISING that the International Monitoring systems for the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty will include an important global, international monitoring network of seismic, hydroacoustic, infrasound sensors,

RECOGNISING that free, open, international exchange of data is the cornerstone of seismology,

RECOGNISING that Article IV Section A.10 of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty states that: "The provisions of this Treaty shall not be interpreted as restricting the international exchange of data for scientific purpose."

RECOMMENDS that open access to all waveform data from the International Monitoring System for the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty be available from the International Data Centre in Vienna, Austria, to all Data Centres of the Federation of Digital Broad-band Seismographic Networks, and

RESOLVES that the International Monitoring System/International Data Centre for the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty be invited to join the Federation of Digital Broad-band Seismographic Networks.

Appreciation

RECOGNISING the effort required to organize the General Assembly, IASPEI thanks and congratulates the members of the Local Organizing Committee for a most memorable meeting in Birmingham.