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58/293. International Year of Physics, 2005

The General Assembly,

Recognizing that physics provides a significant basis for the development of the understanding of nature,

Noting that physics and its applications are the basis of many of today's technological advances,

Convinced that education in physics provides men and women with the tools to build the scientific infrastructure essential for development,

Being aware that the year 2005 is the centenary of seminal scientific discoveries by Albert Einstein which are the basis of modern physics,

1. *Welcomes* the proclamation of 2005 as the International Year of Physics by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization;
2. *Invites* the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to organize activities celebrating the International Year of Physics, in collaboration with physics societies and other groups throughout the world, including in the developing countries;
3. *Proclaims* 2005 the International Year of Physics.

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