

## Appendix A

### RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION (Number 17) OF THE UIA ACCORD ON RECOMMENDED INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS ON PROFESSIONALISM IN ARCHITECTURAL PRACTICE

Adopted by the XXI UIA Assembly  
Beijing, China, June 28, 1999

The Assembly unanimously resolved that it adopts the Second Edition of the UIA Accord on Recommended International Standards of Professionalism in Architectural Practice as an advisory document intended to be used by member sections in setting and reviewing their own standards. The Accord and Guidelines will also make it easier for UIA member sections to negotiate mutual recognition agreements.

The Assembly asks that the Accord be transmitted to all UIA member sections with the request for their cooperation and participation in the further development of this policy framework for presentation at the XXII UIA Assembly (Berlin 2002).

The Assembly recognizes the mandate of Council to adopt Accord Policy Guideline documents and commend them to the UIA member sections.

The Assembly recognizes that there are differences in the cultures, practices and conditions in different member sections and encourages the member sections to use the documents as advisory documents intended to be adapted to local conditions.

The Assembly acknowledges that the sovereignty of each UIA member section must be respected in negotiations of mutual recognition agreements and notices that the guidelines are intended to allow flexibility for principles of equivalency and reciprocity and are structured to allow for the addition of requirements reflecting local conditions of a UIA member section.

The Assembly authorizes the UIA President and Secretary General to submit the Accord to the World Trade Organization, to other interested institutions and organizations as the basis for mutual recognition negotiations and to the Government of a country on the specific request of the UIA member section of the country in question.

The Assembly requests that the Professional Practice Commission analyze all the comments expressed during the General Assembly during its meeting in Prague (October 1999) in order to check on whether or not it is opportune to integrate them in the documents approved by the Beijing Assembly.

The Assembly authorizes the UIA Council to develop a policy to communicate the Accord and Guideline documents to interested parties.

The Assembly recommends to UIA member sections that following the use of these Standards, they inform the Commission Secretariat of their experience, in order that it can be taken into account for the improvement and evolution of these basic documents.