

OPANAL GENERAL CONFERENCE

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Resolution

Control System: compliance with Article 14 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco

The General Conference,

Considering that Article 12 of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco) establishes the Control System "for the purpose of verifying compliance with the obligations entered into by the Contracting Parties in accordance with Article 1",

Bearing in mind that the Control System, as provided for in Articles 13 to 18 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, is an indivisible whole and should be complied with fully,

Recalling that Article 14 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco establishes the legally-binding obligation to submit to the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean "semi-annual reports stating that no activity prohibited under this Treaty has occurred in their respective territories",

Reaffirming that full compliance with the provisions of Article 14 are essential for the consolidation of the Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone in Latin America and the Caribbean,

Reiterating Resolutions 32 (II) of 9 September 1971, 52 (III) of 23 August 1973, 82 (IV) of 18 April 1975, 100 (V) of 21 April 1977, 117 (VI) of 25 April 1979, 141 (VII) of 24 April 1981, 168 (VIII) of 18 May 1983, 191 (IX) of 8 May 1985, 218 (X) of 29 April 1987, 247 (XI) of 27 April 1989, 276 (XII) of 10 May 1991, 296 (XIII) of 27 May 1993, 328 (XIV) of 29 March 1995, 355 (XV) of 10 July 1997, 384 (XVI) of 30 November 1999, 412 (XVII) of 29 November 2001, CG/Res.441 of 5 November 2003, and CG/Res.473 of 8 November 2005;

Resolves:

- To reiterate that Governments of the Member States should bear in mind that regular compliance with the provisions of Article 14 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco is an essential legal obligation for the validity of the Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone in Latin America and the Caribbean.
- 2. **To acknowledge** the Governments of Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, and Paraguay for maintaining timely compliance with the provisions of Article 14 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco.
- 3. **To request** that the Governments of the Member States that have fallen behind in meeting their legally-binding obligation established in Article 14 submit their biannual declarations in a timely manner as required by the Control System itself.
- 4. **To instruct** the Secretary-General to maintain the Member States informed about the status of compliance with the legally-binding obligation established in Article 14 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco.