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ILLICIT TRAFFICKING IN NUCLEAR MATERIALS

The General Conference,

Reiterating its commitment with the principles which gave rise and enforced the Treaty of Tlatelolco, particularly due to the conviction of Latin America and the Caribbean that the nuclear materials and facilities submitted to their jurisdiction, be used in this region solely for peaceful purposes;

Convinced that the illicit trafficking of nuclear materials endangers international peace and security;

Bearing in mind Resolution CG(45)/RES/14 of September 21, 2001, adopted at the XLV General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency regarding the measures against illicit trafficking in nuclear materials and other radioactive materials;

Considering the convenience of strengthening the universal regime for the protection of nuclear materials;

Recognizing the importance of Resolution 1373 (2001) of the Security Council of the United Nations Organization, which in its resolute paragraph 4 “Notes with concern the close connection between international terrorism and the illicit movement of nuclear materials, and emphasizes the need to promote coordination of efforts on national, subregional, regional and international levels in order to strengthen a global response to this serious challenge and threat to international security”,

Resolves:

1. To express its increased concern for the possibility of the nuclear material to reach the hands of

terrorist groups.

2. **To invite** the Member States of OPANAL to cooperate in an international basis to enhance the universal regime for the physical protection of nuclear material.
3. **To make a call** to the Members of OPANAL to adopt measures to prevent and impede the illicit trafficking of nuclear material for terrorist actions and other non-peaceful uses, and to increase security at the nuclear facilities and of materials used for such purpose.

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held on November 30, 2001)