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XXI Regular Session of the General Conference  
Mexico City, 26 November 2009

## **RESOLUTION CG/Res.525**

### **EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED MEXICAN STATES**

#### **The General Conference,**

**Recalling** the Resolution CG/Res.496 (XX-07) that H.E. Madame Perla Carvalho Soto was elected Deputy Secretary General by acclamation for the period from 1 January 2008 to 30 June 2009, with the possibility of extending the mandate until the XXI Regular General Conference is held in November 2009;

**Emphasizing** the efforts by H.E. Madame Perla Carvalho to reactivate the work of OPANAL as the promoter of coordination between the different Nuclear Weapon Free Zones and Mongolia;

**Emphasizing also** that OPANAL, complying with Resolution CG/Res.479 (XIX-05) has begun working on implementing the recommendations of the United Nations Study on Disarmament and Non-proliferation Education; on continuing work to disseminate information regarding the Treaty of Tlatelolco; and on promoting activities that contribute toward education for peace, disarmament and nuclear non-proliferation among its Member States;

**Recalling also** that the visits by the UN Secretary General H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-Moon, by H.E. Mr Sergio Duarte, UN High Representative for Disarmament and by the Mayor of Hiroshima. Dr. Tadatoshi Akiba, give an example of the important work carried out by OPANAL on nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation;

**Underscoring** OPANAL's efforts in establishing closer relations and exchange with other international organizations due to the active involvement by the Deputy Secretary General;

**Taking into account** that OPANAL's financial situation is stable, following an awareness-raising strategy among Member States regarding the payment of their contributions;

**Taking into account also** the strengthening of OPANAL's internal administrative organization,

**Resolves:**

1. **To thank** the Government of the United Mexican States for its contributions toward improving the operations of OPANAL, in particular for designating H.E. Madame Perla Carvalho as Deputy Secretary General.
2. **To express** the General Conference's appreciation to H.E. Madame Perla Carvalho for her excellent work at the helm of OPANAL during the period from January 2008 to 26 November 2009.

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held on 26 November 2009)