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Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean

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Resolution Financial Obligations of Member States Status of Collection of Contributions

The General Conference,

Considering that the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean – OPANAL is an integral part of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, established by Article 7;

Bearing in mind the provisions of Article 9, paragraph 3, of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, which establishes that "the General Conference shall adopt the Agency's budget and fix the scale of financial contributions to be paid by the Member States";

Considering that twenty-two Member States – Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, Dominican Republic, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago and Uruguay– are currently up to date with their financial obligations to the Agency for 2022;

Considering that ten Member States have not yet paid their financial contributions for 2022, which amount to USD 177,928.00 (42.67% of the budget);

Bearing in mind that one Member State has not paid its contributions since ratifying the Treaty of Tlatelolco, adding up to a debt of USD 133,578.50.

Resolves:

1. **To acknowledge** and thank the efforts made by the Member States that are currently up to date with their financial obligations to the Agency.

- 2. **To renew** its call to the Member States, in accordance with Article 9, paragraph 3, of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, to cover in a timely manner the contributions approved by the plenary of the General Conference.
- 3. **To reiterate** that the existence of the Agency and the performance of its functions and therefore the integrity and permanence of the Treaty of Tlatelolco depend on OPANAL having the financial resources provided for in decisions of the General Conference.
- 4. **To request** the Council to continue considering the matter in order to avoid an insolvency situation for the Agency, giving where appropriate the pertinent instructions to the Secretary-General.