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STATUS OF THE TREATY AND ITS ADDITIONAL PROTOCOLS MEMORANDUM OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

- Having achieved the full entry into force of the Treaty of Tlatelolco and the consolidation of the Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone, given that all 33 independent States of Latin America and the Caribbean are Full Members of OPANAL, it is now necessary to continue toward its full development by signing and ratifying the Amendments to the Treaty.
- 2. The Secretariat General sent Resolution CG/Res.439 adopted by the XVIII Regular Session, exhorting the Member States to sign or ratify the first Amendment referred to in Resolution 267 (E-V), which resolved to include in the Treaty's legal name the words "and the Caribbean." The Secretary General reports that to date there have been no changes.
- 3. As regards the second Amendment referred to in Resolution 268 (XII), which replaces Article 25, paragraph 2, this amendment was ratified by Guatemala on 26 November 2003.
- As regards the third Amendment referred to in Resolution 290 (E-VII) amending Articles 14, 15, 16, 19, and 20 of the Treaty, this amendment was also ratified by Guatemala on 26 November 2003. (Table attached).
- 5. The Secretariat General of OPANAL respectfully calls upon the Member States of the Treaty of Tlatelolco that have yet to either sign or ratify the Amendments to the Treaty to do so as soon as possible thereby achieving their full entry into force.