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Mexico, 26 November 2009

## **RESOLUTION C/Res. 516**

### **2010 REVIEW CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS**

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

**Recalling** the Declaration of the First Conference of Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones which states "We reaffirm that the Treaty on Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) constitutes a fundamental instrument for nuclear disarmament and for the non-proliferation regime, and therefore we reiterate the validity of its set of principles, obligations and rights, particularly Articles III, IV, VI and VII";

**Bearing in mind** the contributions of the Member States of OPANAL to the work of the different sessions of the Preparatory Committee of the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT/CONF.2010/PC.I/WP.71 and NPT/CONF.2010/PC/III/WP.32);

**Recalling also** the Declaration of the Chairman of the Meeting of Coordinators of nuclear-weapon-free zones and Mongolia held on 27 and 28 April 2009 in Ulan Bator, Mongolia, which reaffirms that the NPT continues to be an essential instrument for nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation,

#### **Resolves:**

1. **To reiterate** that the existence of nuclear weapons constitutes a threat to the survival of humankind and that the only real guarantee against their use or threat of use is their total elimination and absolute prohibition.

2. **To urge** the States possessing nuclear weapons to comply immediately with the obligations contracted by means of Article VI of the NPT and to implement without delay the measures on nuclear disarmament adopted by the NPT Review Conferences of the years 1995 and 2000, particularly the 13 practical measures in the latter, which constitute an effective manner of advancing in nuclear disarmament.
3. **To demand** from the States possessing nuclear weapons that they provide negative security guarantees to the States that do not possess nuclear weapons that are Parties to the NPT, in addition to the commitments acquired within the framework of the Security Council, by means of a universal, unconditional and legally binding treaty in which they are assured that they will not be the object of the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.
4. **To urge also** the States possessing nuclear weapons that are Parties to the Additional Protocols to the Treaty of Tlatelolco, to modify or withdraw the interpretative declarations they made at the time of signing or ratification of said Protocols, which affect the military denuclearization statute of the zone.
5. **To reiterate** its support for the establishment of new nuclear-weapon-free zones in the regions where they still do not exist, such as the Middle East and Southern Asia.
6. **To request** the General Secretariat that this resolution be made known to the President of the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons and to the Focal Points of the NWFZs and Mongolia.

(Approved at the 111th Session  
held on 26 November 2009).