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**RESOLUTION CG/Res.518**  
**EDUCATION FOR PEACE, DISARMAMENT AND NON-PROLIFERATION**

**The General Conference,**

**Recalling** point 12 of the Declaration of Santiago approved during the Nineteenth Regular Session of the General Conference CG/Res.487 (XIX-05) which states: "... that education for disarmament and non-proliferation constitutes an important measure that can contribute to progress towards a world free of the nuclear threat and we therefore encourage all States to promote in their relevant educational and academic media, programmes for education in the values of peace, disarmament and nuclear non-proliferation";

**Recognizing** that the Treaty of Tlatelolco, whose principal objective is nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation, constitutes a model for furthering the creation of other Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones in the world and that this contribution of Latin America and the Caribbean to international peace and security has been recognized repeatedly by the United Nations;

**Highlighting** the "Declaration of the Chairman of the Meeting of Co-ordinators of Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones and Mongolia" (Doc. NPT/CONF.2010/PC.III/8) of 7 May 2009, which points out: "Bearing in mind that education on disarmament and non-proliferation can contribute to advancing towards a world free of the threat of nuclear weapons, we encourage all States to promote programmes that instill the values of peace and disarmament";

**Highlighting also** document NPT/CONF.2010/PC.III/WP.32, dated 7 May 2009, “Contributions of the States Parties of Latin America and the Caribbean to the Treaty of Tlatelolco” whose point 26 reads “...We express our interest in promoting initiatives aimed at strengthening national capacity and education in order to alert to the dangers involved in nuclear weapons and promote their total elimination”;

**Recognizing likewise** the holding of the first classroom course on “Nuclear Problem Areas” which the General Secretariat of OPANAL conducted to disseminate among the Member States, multilateral and regional efforts to confront the threat of nuclear weapons and their proliferation; the issue of peaceful uses of nuclear energy and the possibility of the reduction and total elimination of nuclear weapons by means of an international instrument;

**Considering also** the launching of the first online course on nuclear disarmament aimed at government officials, political advisors, legislators and members of the armed forces of the Member States of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, with the aim of offering a general overview of nuclear problem areas, training the persons responsible related to the topic and contributing to decision-making at national and regional levels;

**Emphasizing with satisfaction** the efforts made by the General Secretariat of OPANAL for the making of a documentary on nuclear disarmament in order to create awareness of the threat represented by nuclear weapons and the efforts of the international community for their elimination, aimed at Latin American and Caribbean students in primary and secondary education;

**Sharing** the criterion that now as never before education is necessary for disarmament and non-proliferation, especially with regard to weapons of mass destruction.

**Resolves:**

1. **To welcome with satisfaction** the work in the field of education for disarmament performed by the Council and the General Secretariat of OPANAL, as well as the academic co-ordination carried out by Ambassador Miguel Marín Bosch.
2. **To urge** the Member States to implement the recommendations contained in Resolution A/RES/63/70 approved by the General Assembly, entitled “United Nations Study on education for disarmament and non-proliferation.”

3. **To request** the next Secretary General to continue the work of dissemination of the Treaty of Tlatelolco among civil society and academic institutions, by promoting educational activities that contribute to education for peace, disarmament and nuclear non-proliferation among the Member States.
  
4. **To recognize** the efforts of the Council and the General Secretariat to translate the documentary on nuclear disarmament into the official languages of OPANAL and request the Members States of OPANAL to distribute it in their educational and academic institutions.
  
5. **To entrust** the General Secretariat with making this resolution known to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as an expression of the will of the Member States of the Treaty of Tlatelolco to recognize and affirm the right to a culture of peace, disarmament and nuclear non-proliferation.

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held on 26 November 2009).