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Resolution

Control System of the Treaty of Tlatelolco

The General Conference,

Considering that Article 12 of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco) establishes the Control System "for the purpose of verifying compliance with the obligations entered into by the Contracting Parties in accordance with Article 1";

Bearing in mind that the Control System, as provided for in Articles 13 to 18 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, is an indivisible regulatory framework and should be complied with fully;

Recalling that Article 14 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco establishes that the Parties have the legally-binding obligation to submit to the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the *Caribbean "semi-annual reports stating that no activity prohibited under this Treaty has occurred in their respective territories*";

Reaffirming that full compliance with the provisions of Article 14 is essential for the integrity of the Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone in Latin America and the Caribbean;

Stressing that Article 24 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco is linked to the Control System as it establishes that "the Secretariat shall be notified immediately of any international agreement concluded by any of the Contracting Parties on matters with which this Treaty is concerned; the Secretariat shall register it and notify the other Contracting Parties",

Recalling Resolutions 32 (II) of 9 September 1971; 52 (III) of 23 August 1973, 82 (IV) of 18 April 1975; 100 (V) of 21 April 1977; 117 (VI) of 25 April 1979; 141 (VII) of 24 April 1981; 168 (VIII) of 18 May 1983; 191 (IX) of 8 May 1985; 218 (X) of 29 April 1987; 247 (XI) of 27 April 1989; 276 (XII) of 10 May 1991; 296 (XIII) of 27 May 1993; 328 (XIV) of 29 March 1995; 355 (XV) of 10 July 1997; 384 (XVI) of 30 November 1999; 412 (XVII) of 29 November 2001; CG/Res.441 of 5 November 2003; CG/Res.473 of 8 November 2005; CG/Res.04/2015 of 26 November 2015; and CG/E/Res.04/2016 of 10 November 2016,

Resolves:

- 1. **To remind** the Governments of the Member States to bear in mind that compliance with the provisions of Article 14 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco is an essential legal obligation for the enforcement of the Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone in Latin America and the Caribbean;
- To praise the Governments of Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Cuba, Dominica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Saint Christopher and Nevis and Uruguay for complying fully with Article 14 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, after having submitted their reports covering the first half of 2017;
- 3. **To remind** the Governments of the Member States that have not complied in a timely manner with the legally-binding obligation established in Article 14, to submit as soon as possible their biannual reports as at 30 June 2017, as required by the Control System;
- 4. To urge the Governments of the Member States, in compliance with Article 24, to notify the Secretary-General, when appropriate, of any conventions, agreements or arrangements concluded on matters related to the Treaty of Tlatelolco, either bilaterally or multilaterally, either between Member States or with third parties, such as States or international organizations;
- 5. **To instruct** the Secretary-General to keep the Member States informed about the status of compliance with Articles 14 and 24 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco.