

**General Conference** 

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Resolution

**Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Education** 

The General Conference,

**Considering** its Resolution CG/Res.518 (XXI-09) in which it urges Member States to implement the recommendations of the "United Nations Study on Disarmament and Non-proliferation Education"<sup>1</sup>;

**Bearing in mind** the Declaration of Member States of OPANAL on the occasion of the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons<sup>2</sup>, on 26 September 2017, in which the Member States of the Agency "undertake to continue to work for the implementation of nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation education programmes, convinced that they are an effective means for contributing to the consolidation of international peace and security";

**Taking into account** that in the aforementioned Declaration, Member States of the Agency "reiterate their conviction that information concerning the danger posed by nuclear weapons is essential so that public opinion, youth and non-governmental organizations may join the efforts for the elimination of nuclear weapons";

**Having agreed** at its XXIV Special Session<sup>3</sup> (2016) that the Secretariat should continue with:

a) The Course of OPANAL on nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation adopted by the General Conference through Resolution CG/RES.01/2015 (XXIV);

<sup>1</sup> A/57/124

<sup>2</sup> Inf.18/2017Rev.5

<sup>3</sup> CG/E/05/2016

- b) The internship programme for young diplomats or postgraduate students of international relations, law or political sciences, be this with the financial support from the Government of the Netherlands for candidates nominated by Caribbean States, or without any financial support for candidates nominated by any OPANAL Member State or relevant academic institution;
- c) The support to the Summer School on Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation for Latin American and Caribbean diplomats organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico;

**Stressing** that the Oriental Republic of Uruguay has accepted to host the Course of OPANAL on disarmament and the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons, which will take place on 11-15 December 2017, in Montevideo;

**Acknowledging** the importance of the International Seminar "A world free of nuclear weapons: Is it desirable? Is it possible? How could it be achieved?" that was held on 13 February 2017 in Mexico City, as part of the commemorative events marking the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean – Treaty of Tlatelolco,

**Recalling** also that the Outcome Document of the Second Conference of States Parties and Signatories of Treaties that Establish Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones and Mongolia<sup>4</sup> expresses the interest in promoting initiatives aiming to strengthen education in order to increase public understanding of the dangers posed by nuclear weapons and to promote their total elimination,

## **Resolves:**

- 1. To thank the Oriental Republic of Uruguay for hosting the first edition of the Course of OPANAL on disarmament and the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons on 11-15 December 2017 in Montevideo;
- **2. To thank** the Member States that have submitted nominations to participate in the Internship Programme of the Agency;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> NWFZM/CONF.2010/1

**3. To express its appreciation to** the Kingdom of the Netherlands, State Party to Additional Protocol I to the Treaty of Tlatelolco, for the support that it has been giving to the internship programme of OPANAL;

## 4. To invite again Member States:

- a) To communicate to the Secretariat of OPANAL their willingness to host the course of OPANAL on disarmament and the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons;
- b) **To publicize and support** the internship programme of the Agency and **to submit** nominations;
- c) **To disseminate** communiqués and declarations issued by OPANAL through the appropriate Government media channels, the press, and civil society organizations;
- **5. To continue** to support the Summer School on Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation organized annually by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico;
- **6. To urge** Member States to continue to conduct dissemination and outreach efforts, through the widest range media channels, on the Treaty of Tlatelolco and the work of OPANAL.