



Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons
in Latin America and the Caribbean

International Seminar: “The Experience of the NWFZ in Latin America and the Caribbean and the perspective towards 2015 and beyond”

Mexico City, 14-15 February 2012

Tuesday 14 February

09:00 hrs. Registration

12:30 hrs. Opening of the International Seminar: “The Experience of the NWFZ in Latin America and the Caribbean and the perspective towards 2015 and beyond”

12:35 hrs. Address by Ambassador Juan Manuel Gómez Robledo, Under-Secretary for Multilateral Affairs and Human Rights (Mexico)

12:40 hrs. Address by Mr. Hirotsugu Terasaki, Soka Gakkai International Executive Director for Peace Affairs (Japan)

12:45 hrs. Address by Ambassador Gioconda Ubeda, OPANAL Secretary General

13:00 hrs. FIRST PANEL: “Lessons learnt and good practices in the creation and consolidation process of the Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone in Latin America and the Caribbean”

Moderator: Ambassador Luis Leonardo Almagro Lemes, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Oriental Republic of Uruguay

Panellists: Eminent Ambassador Miguel Marin Bosch (Mexico); Ambassador Susan Burk, Special Representative of the President for Nuclear Non-Proliferation (United States); Mr. Alexei Y. Karpov, Deputy Director for Security Affairs and Disarmament, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Russia); Ambassador Vera Machado, Under-Secretary for Political Affairs (Brazil) and Ambassador María del Carmen Squeff, Under-Secretary for Foreign Policy (Argentina).

13:45 hrs. General debate

14:15 hrs Lunch

16:30 hrs. SECOND PANEL: “Lessons learnt and good practices of OPANAL.”

Moderator: Mr. Abelardo Moreno, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs (Cuba)

Panellists: H.E. Jorge Mansilla, Ambassador of the Plurinational State of Bolivia to Mexico; H.E. José Luis Cancela, Permanent Representative of the Oriental Republic of Uruguay to the United Nations in New York; H.E. Ana Teresa Dengo, Permanent Representative of the Mission of Costa Rica in Vienna.

17:15 hrs. General Debate

18:00 hrs. Cocktail



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09:00 hrs. THIRD PANEL: “Control and Verification System established in the Treaty of Tlatelolco and its relation to IAEA and ABACC”

Moderator: Irma Argüello PhD – (Argentina. Non-Proliferation for Global Security Foundation)

Panellists: Dina Jimenez MA (OPANAL Consultant), Jill Cooley, Director of the Division of Concepts and Planning, Department of Safeguards (IAEA); Odilón Marcuzzo PhD, Deputy Secretary (ABACC)

09:45 hrs. General Debate

10:30 hrs. Coffee Break

11:00 hrs FOURTH PANEL: “Cooperation and coordination among Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones”

Moderator: H.E. Antonio Da Costa e Silva, Ambassador of Brazil to Jamaica.

Invited Panellists: Mr. Kanat Saudabayev, Secretary of State (Kazakhstan), Eminent Ambassador Sergio González Galvez (México), the Netherlands (confirmed), New Zealand, Australia, Indonesia (to be confirmed)

11:45 hrs. General Debate

12:30 hrs. FIFTH PANEL: “Reflections upon how to support the strengthening of existing NWFZs and the creation of new zones, as the one in the Middle East”

Moderator: Ambassador Gioconda Ubeda

Panellists: Mr. Kimiaki Kawai - Soka Gakkai International, Mr. Jonathan Granoff - Parliamentarians for Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament, Mr. Akira Kawasaki – Peace Boat, Dong-Joon Jo PhD (Republic of Korea), Mr. Robert Zuber - Global Action to Prevent War

13:30 hrs. General Debate

14:00 hrs. Final conclusions

14:30 hrs. Closing