RESOLUTION CG/Res.479

EDUCATION FOR PEACE, DISARMAMENT AND NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION

The General Conference,

Recognizing that the Treaty of Tlatelolco is a model to encourage other Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones throughout the world whose main objective is disarmament and nuclear non-proliferation and that this contribution by Latin America and the Caribbean to international peace and security has been recognized repeatedly by the United Nations Organization;

Having taken note with satisfaction of United Nations General Assembly Resolution 59/93, approved on 3 December 2004, entitled "United Nations study on disarmament and non-proliferation education," and of the adoption of the study itself as well as its recommendations found in Document A/59/459;

Highlighting that at the Conference of the States Parties and Signatories of the Treaties establishing Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones held in Mexico in April 2005, the States Parties and Signatories of the Treaties of Tlatelolco, Rarotonga, Bangkok, and Pelindaba as well as Mongolia expressed their "conviction that disarmament and non-proliferation education constitutes an important means that can contribute to achieving a nuclear-weapon-free world" and "invited all States to promote programs for instilling the values of peace, disarmament, and nuclear non-proliferation in their respective educational and academic circles;"

Also highlighting the work being conducted by the Secretary General to disseminate in the media and academic institutions the Treaty of Tlatelolco and its disarmament and non-proliferation aspects;

Sharing the belief that now more than ever is when disarmament and non-proliferation
education, especially as regards weapons of mass destruction, is needed,

**Resolves:**

1. **To exhort** the Member States of OPANAL to implement the recommendations found in UN General Assembly Resolution 59/93 "United Nations study on disarmament and non-proliferation education."

2. **To recognize also** the importance of civil society, including non-governmental organizations, in disarmament and nuclear non-proliferation education.

3. **To instruct** the Secretary General to reinitiate contact in order to study the mechanisms for cooperation with the United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament, and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean (UNLIREC) to conduct joint activities within the objectives defined in the Memorandum of Understanding signed on 29 April 2003.

4. **To also instruct** the Secretary General to continue efforts to disseminate the Treaty of Tlatelolco in the media and academic institutions, promoting educational activities that will contribute to peace, disarmament, and non-proliferation education among the Member States and to seek the cooperation of academic institutions in said States, as well as NGOs, also using, where applicable, the agreements and memoranda of understanding that OPANAL has reached with other international agencies.

5. **To request** that the Secretary General prepare a report on the measures adopted, as well as the activities carried out by OPANAL to promote peace, disarmament and non-proliferation education for presentation to the General Assembly during its sixty-first session.

6. **To entrust** the Secretary General with informing the Secretary General of the United Nations of this resolution, as an expression of the will of the Treaty of Tlatelolco Member States to recognize, affirm and guarantee the right to a culture of peace, disarmament and nuclear non-proliferation.

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held on November 8, 2005)