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RESOLUTION CG/E/Res.546

PROPOSAL FOR THE FORMATION OF A WORKING-GROUP TO ANALYZE AND
PROPOSE MEASURES THAT COULD STRENGTHEN THE CONTROL SYSTEM
ESTABLISHED BY THE TREATY OF TLATELOLCO

The General Conference,

Having received the Memorandum of the Council and the Secretary-General submitted to the General Conference for the formation of a Working-Group to analyze and propose measures that could strengthen the Control System, under the provisions of the Treaty of Tlatelolco (SG.10.2012);

Aware that the Control System established by the Treaty of Tlatelolco and its compliance by Member States and Signatory States to Additional Protocols is essential for the existence and consolidation of the Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone in Latin America and the Caribbean;

Bearing in mind the recommendations presented in 2010, 2011, and 2012 Secretary-General’s Reports, on the analysis and strengthening of the Control System;

Recalling that the Treaty of Tlatelolco itself states in Article 9, paragraph 2(b), that: “The General Conference shall establish procedures for the Control System to ensure observance of this Treaty in accordance with its provisions”; which have not yet been established;

Underlining that the Treaty of Tlatelolco in Article 9, paragraph 2(f), states that the General Conference “shall initiate and consider studies designed to facilitate the optimum fulfilment of the aims of
this Treaty, without prejudice to the power of the Secretary General independently to carry out similar studies for submission to and consideration by the Conference”;

**Taking into account** the functions of OPANAL in this area,

**Resolves:**

1. **To take note** of the Memorandum of the Council and the Secretary-General submitted to the General Conference for the formation of a Working-Group to analyze and propose measures that could strengthen the Control System under the provisions of the Treaty of Tlatelolco (SG.10.2012).

2. **To agree on** the formation of a Working Group, including all interested Member States and the Secretary-General, to analyse and propose measures and/or procedures for the implementation of the Control System established by the Treaty of Tlatelolco, under its own provisions and within the scope of OPANAL Organs. To instruct the Council and the Secretary General to proceed with integration of this Group, this must report to the General Conference at its next Regular Session on the progress of its work.

3. **To acknowledge** the efforts made by the Council, the Secretary-General and the Academic Group integrated during 2012 to analyze the Control System, as the results achieved so far shall contribute relevantly to the Working Group.

4. **To request** the Secretariat General to inform all Member States about the content of this Resolution.

(Adopted at 114th Session, held on 13 November 2012)