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The Secretariat General of the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean includes herewith the text of Resolution AG/CG/doc.3/98 "Indian/Pakistani Nuclear Testing" approved by the General Assembly of the Organization of American States in its second meeting held on June 2, 1998, for Member State and Entailed States knowledge:

**"INDIAN/PAKISTANI NUCLEAR TESTING**  
(Approved by the General Committee  
at its second meeting held on June 2, 1998)

**THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,**

**GRAVELY CONCERNED** by the nuclear test explosions recently conducted by the governments of India and Pakistan;

**STRESSING** the pronouncements on this action which have been issued by the governments of the various member states of the Organization, including the Rio Group's statements of May 13 and 29, 1998 and those resolutions adopted by the Council of OPANAL on May 14 and 29, 1998;

**RECALLING RESOLUTION AG/RES. 1499 (XXVII-O/97)** and Permanent Council resolutions CP/DEC.22 (1042/95) and CP/DEC.24 (1160/98);

**RECALLING** member states' support for the consolidation of the nuclear non-proliferation regime throughout the region established in the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco), in the framework of cooperation for security in the hemisphere and regional contributions to global security;

**CONVINCED** that the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty, which was opened for signature on September 24, 1996, at the United Nations should contribute greatly to the strengthening of the global regime of non-proliferation and nuclear disarmament;

**NOTING** that one hundred and forty-nine countries have signed the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty and thereby have established an inviolable principle against nuclear test explosions; and

**RECALLING** the Principles and Objectives for Nuclear Non-Proliferation and Disarmament of the 1995 Review and Extension Conference of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons,

**RESOLVES:**

1. To condemn the nuclear test explosions conducted by the Governments of India and Pakistan and firmly urges them to refrain from further nuclear testing, missile deployment and weaponization, or other steps which will further escalate tensions in the region, and appeals to the governments of India and Pakistan to peacefully resolve their differences; to accede to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT); to sign the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty without delay and without conditions; and to participate, in a positive spirit, in the proposed negotiations with other states for a fissile material cut-off treaty.
2. That the nuclear tests conducted by the Governments of India and Pakistan jeopardize the regime on non-proliferation of nuclear weapons, the maintenance of which is indispensable for international peace and security, and therefore, urges all states, in particular those of South Asia to exercise maximum restraint and refrain from further nuclear testing.
3. To place at the disposal of India and Pakistan the experience regarding agreements to guarantee the nonproliferation and banning of nuclear weapons and the mechanisms for implementing them, particularly the Treaty of Tlatelolco of 1967 and the Brazil-Argentine Agency for Accounting and Control of Nuclear Materials.
4. To reaffirm the commitment of all member states to work towards universal adherence to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) as well as to the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty and its early entry into force, considering these essential elements to avoid the proliferation of nuclear weapons and as a means of promoting nuclear disarmament."