



COUNCIL

RESOLUTION C/E/Res.32

**ANNUAL AWARD OF OPANAL TO THE BEST THESIS SUBMITTED
BY THE STUDENTS OF UNIVERSITIES OF MEMBER STATES AND OTHER
SCHOLARS CONCERNED WITH THE ISSUE**

The Council,

Taking into consideration the growing interest from students of universities of Member States and other interested scholars in the issue of the Nuclear-Weapon Free Zone of Latin America and the Caribbean and on the creation of similar Zones of other inhabited regions of the world;

Considering that it is necessary to motivate even more such interest through the recognition and grants of special awards to the academic works on the item submitted at the universities of Member States;

Recalling that in the academic media germinates the seeds of those who in the future will continue with the idea and the work derived from the Treaty of Tlatelolco as well as from the decisions of the General Conference,

Resolves:

1. **To recommend** the Fifteenth Regular Session of the General Conference to approve the creation of an Annual Award of OPANAL to the best thesis submitted by students of universities of Member States and other personalities concerned with the issue, including its publication and distribution.
2. **To request** the Secretary General to establish the basis for the qualification of these works and to submit them to the Council for its consideration and approval.
3. **To request** the Member States of the Council and the Secretary General that, as qualifying jury, declare the winner of such Award.

4. **To request** the Secretary General to transmit the letter of convocation of this contest to Member States so they may inform the proper authorities of universities and other academic fora of their own countries.
5. **To determine** that February 14 of each year be designated as the day to deliver the Award.
6. **To approve** that the referred award be in the amount of US 2,000.00.
7. **To grant** honorific mentions to the relevant works submitted, besides the thesis awarded.

(Adopted at the 31st Special Session of the Council
held on November 21st 1996).