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



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COUNCIL

RESOLUTION C/E/Res.39 OF THE COUNCIL OF OPANAL REGARDING THE NUCLEAR TESTS CARRIED OUT BY THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF PAKISTAN

The Member States and Observers to the Council of OPANAL

Taking into consideration that the first Nuclear Weapon Free Zone in the world, established in Latin America and the Caribbean by the Treaty of Tlatelolco, binds its members to the preservation of said Zone and reaffirms its commitment to contribute to peace;

Recalling Resolution C/E/Res.38 dated May 14, 1998;

Reiterating its firm condemnation of any type of nuclear weapons testing anywhere in the world;

Resolve:

- 1. **To express** their firm rejection of the military nuclear tests carried out in Pakistan on May 28, 1998, and their concern that these tests as well as those recently carried out by India could create a nuclear arms race in South Asia.
- 2. **To call upon** the governments of Pakistan and India to sign as soon as possible nuclear nonproliferation instruments and participate in the negotiation process which makes nuclear disarmament possible in all of its aspects.
- 3. **To exhort** the Governments of Pakistan and India to make a definitive commitment before the International Community to cease all nuclear testing.
- 4. **To request** that the Secretary General transmit the text of this Resolution to the Governments of Pakistan and India, to all the Member States and Entailed States of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, to the United Nations Organization, and to the Organization of American States.

(Adopted at the 36th Extraordinary Session held on May 29, 1998)