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Resolution

Measures to support the compliance with the financial obligations established by the Treaty of Tlatelolco

The General Conference,

Recalling that the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean - Treaty of Tlatelolco, in its Article 9, paragraph 3, establishes that "the General Conference shall adopt the Agency's budget and fix the scale of financial contributions to be paid by Member States taking into consideration the systems and criteria used by the United Nations for the same purpose";

Noting that, at its XXIV Session, held on 26 November 2015, the General Conference adopted a payment programme (CG/Res.12/2015) for seven Member States that, since the ratification by them of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, have not paid their assessed contributions;

Recognizing that three among those seven Member States - those being Dominica, Grenada and the Dominican Republic – accepted the payment programme;

Noting also that, at its XXIV Special Session held on 10 November 2016, the General Conference renewed and updated the payment programme through Resolution CG/E/Res.06/2016, for four Member States: El Salvador, Haiti, Saint Lucia and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines;

Having received, in 2017, the favourable response from Saint Lucia to the proposed payment programme by paying off its debt as of 2015, and paying its assessed contributions for 2016 and 2017, including a payment balance for subsequent years;

Recalling that the General Conference at its XXV Special Session, once again renewed and updated, through Resolution CG/E/Res.08/2017, the payment programme proposed since 2015, in an effort that the three remaining Member States – El Salvador, Haiti and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, overcome their situation of non-compliance with the Treaty of Tlatelolco;

Bearing in mind that, in the cases in which States have never paid their contributions, the Agency is seeking to:

- a) guarantee compliance to the Treaty of Tlatelolco;
- b) ensure the effectiveness of the annual budgets and corresponding collection of financial contributions:
- to make possible the continued functioning of the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean – OPANAL;

Resolves:

- 1. **To recognize and thank** the efforts of those Member States that are up to date with their financial obligations to the Agency.
- 2. **To thank again** the effort of those Member States that accepted the payment programmes proposed in 2015, 2016 and 2017.
- 3. **To reiterate** that the existence of the Agency and the performance of its work depend on the availability of the corresponding financial resources approved annually in the Budget.
- 4. **To stress** the importance that all Member States comply fully with the obligations established in the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean -Treaty of Tlatelolco, which include the financial obligations (Article 9, paragraph 3).
- 5. **To instruct** the Secretary-General to make the necessary contact and negotiations so that Haiti, El Salvador and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, regularize their situation of arrears with the Agency.
- 6. **To authorize** the Secretary-General to consult the aforementioned Member Sates about the way in which they might solve the pending payment of their financial obligations under the Treaty of Tlatelolco.
- 7. **To instruct** the Secretary-General to inform the Council on his negotiations and the results of same.