



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

General Conference

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Resolution

XXVI Session of the General Conference – 50th Anniversary of OPANAL

The General Conference,

Bearing in mind Article 9, paragraph 1 of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean – Treaty of Tlatelolco which states: "The General Conference, the supreme organ of the Agency, shall be composed of all the Contracting Parties; it shall hold regular sessions every two years, and may also hold special sessions whenever this Treaty so provides or, in the opinion of the Council, the circumstances so require.";

Bearing in mind Article 2 of the rules of Procedure of the General Conference which states: "The General Conference shall meet at the headquarters of the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean, hereinafter referred to as "the Agency", unless an invitation is extended to the Council by a Member State to convene in a different venue.";

Considering that, since the first session of the General Conference, besides the home State, the following States have hosted regular sessions of the principal organ of OPANAL: Argentina (2013), Chile (1995 y 2005), Cuba (2003), Ecuador (1979), Jamaica (1983), Panama (2001), Peru (1999) and Uruguay (1987);

Considering that, the XXV Session of the General Conference was held on 14 February 2017 in Mexico City, in the framework of the 50th Anniversary of the opening for signature of the Treaty of Tlatelolco;

Considering that in 2019 the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean – OPANAL, will complete 50 years of uninterrupted functioning and that, the General Conference besides its statutory functions will have in that occasion a character of celebration with stronger political significance;

Bearing in mind that bringing the matters discussed by the General Conference closer to the host State increases the knowledge about OPANAL.

Resolves:

- 1. **To convene** the XXVI Session of the General Conference of OPANAL in 2019.
- 2. **To invite** the Member States to come forward as host of the General Conference.
- 3. **To instruct** the Council to consult among Member States on the date and venue in which the XXVI Session of the General Conference will be held.