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

General Conference

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Resolution

Measures to support 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 Article 9, paragraph 3, states that: *"The General Conference shall approve the budget of the Agency and set the scale of the financial contributions that Member States must cover, taking into account the systems and criteria used for the same purpose by the United Nations Organization"*;

Noting that Article 29 of the Financial Regulations¹, establishes that: "In the event that the debt exceeds two years, the Secretary-General shall submit a proposed payment plan to the CCAAP and the Council for its sanction. That payment plan shall be subject to the approval of the General Conference."

Taking into account that three Member States – Antigua and Barbuda, Trinidad and Tobago and Venezuela – have a debt exceeding four years.

Bearing in mind that three Member States – El Salvador, Haiti and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines – have not paid their contributions since they ratified the Treaty of Tlatelolco.

¹ Inf.01/2019

Recalling that the General Conference at its XXVI Special Session, requested, through Resolution CG/E/Res.10/2018, to consult the three Member States that have never made payments since they ratified the Treaty of Tlatelolco – El Salvador, Haiti and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines – on the manner in which they could or would be willing to resolve their situation of non-compliance with the financial obligations and, consequently, with the Treaty of Tlatelolco.

Taking into account that, in the cases of States that have never paid their contributions, the Agency seeks:

a) to guarantee compliance with the Treaty of Tlatelolco;

b) to ensure the effectiveness of the annual budgets and corresponding collection of assessed contributions;

c) to make possible the continued functioning of the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean – OPANAL.

Recognizing the efforts of the Secretary-General to maintain the full functioning of OPANAL with a constant Budget since 2015 and to achieve, in addition to that, an annual saving of around 10%.

Resolves:

- 1. To instruct the Secretary-General to make the necessary contacts and efforts so that, Antigua and Barbuda, Haiti, El Salvador, Trinidad and Tobago, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and Venezuela, overcome the non-compliance with the financial obligation contained in Article 9.3 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco in which they find themselves and their full incorporation to the activities of the Agency be achieved.
- **2.** To authorize the Secretary-General to consult El Salvador, Haiti and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines on how they could or would be willing to resolve their situation of non-compliance with financial obligations and, consequently, with the Treaty of Tlatelolco.
- **3.** To adopt the discount payment program proposed by the Secretary-General (document CG/13/2019), to regularize the situation of the three Member States –Antigua and Barbuda,

Trinidad and Tobago and Venezuela– which have pending the payment of their contributions over four years, consisting of the following provisions:

- a. payment of their contributions due until 2018 with a 20% discount, paid in two equal payments over the next two years;
- b. upon accepting the payment plan, the aforementioned Member States shall commit themselves to pay normally, within each year, their respective annual contributions including the 2019 contribution, in accordance with Article 27 of the Financial Regulations.
- c. each of the aforementioned Member States should express in writing, no later than 31 January 2020, their acceptance of the proposed payment plan to regularize their situation;
- d. the payment plan is detailed according to the attached table.
- 4. To instruct the Secretary-General to report to the Council about his démarches and their result.

ANNEX

Member State	Due as of 31/12/2018 (USD)	Discount according to payment plan	Total amount to be discounted (USD)	Total amount to be payed (USD)	Due 2019 contribution (USD)
Antigua and Barbuda	9,922.65	20%	1,984.53	7,938.12	1,543.00
Trinidad and Tobago	33,860.00	20%	6,772.00	27,088.00	8,465.00
Venezuela	144,470.99	20%	28,894.20	115,576.79	47,703.00