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CESSATION OF ALL NUCLEAR-TEST EXPLOSICNS

Indonesia, Mexico, Peru, Sri Lanka, Venezuela and
Yugoslavia: draft resolution

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind the determination, proclaimed since 1963 in the Treaty Banning Nuclear Weapon Tests in the Atmosphere, in Outer Space and Under Water, 1/ to seek to achieve the discontinuance of all test explosions of nuclear weapons for all time and to continue negotiations to this end,

Bearing in mind also that in 1968 the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons 2/ recalled such determination and included in its article VI an undertaking by each of its parties to pursue negotiations in good faith on effective measures relating to the cessation of the nuclear-arms race at an early date,

Recalling that, in its resolution 2023 (XX) of 19 November 1965, adopted unanimously, it had stressed that one of the basic principles on which the treaty to prevent the proliferation of nuclear weapons should be based was that such treaty, which was then to be negotiated, should embody an acceptable balance of mutual responsibilities and obligations of the nuclear and non-nuclear Power;;

1/ United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 480, No. 6964.

2/ Resolution 2373 (XXII), annex,

Recalling also that the Third Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, in its Final Declaration 3/ adopted by consensus on 21 September 1985, expressed its deep regret that a comprehensive multilateral nuclear-test-ban treaty had not been concluded so far and called for the urgent negotiation and conclusion of such a treaty as a matter of the highest priority,

Noting that article II of the Treaty Banning Nuclear Weapon Tests in the Atmosphere, in Outer Space and Under Water provides a procedure for the consideration and eventual adoption of amendments to the Treaty by a conference of its parties,

1. Welcomes the submission to the Depositary Governments of the Treaty Banning Nuclear Weapon Tests in the Atmosphere, in Outer Space and Under Water of an amendment proposal for consideration at a conference of the parties to the Treaty convened for that purpose in accordance with Article II of the Treaty;

2. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-fourth session an item entitled "Amendment of the Treaty Banning Nuclear-Weapon Tests in the Atmosphere, in Outer Space and under Water".

3/ Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, Final Document, Part I (NPT/CONF.III/64/I) (Geneva, 1985), annex I.