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STRENGTHENING OF THE SECURITY OF NON-NUCLEAR-WEAPON
STATES AGAINST THE USE OR THREAT OF USE OF NUCLEAR
WEAPONS

Mali and Pakistan: revised draft resolution

Conclusion of an international convention to assure the
non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of
use of nuclear weapons

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind the need to allay the legitimate concern of the States of the world with regard to ensuring lasting security for their peoples,

Convinced that nuclear weapons pose the greatest threat to mankind and to the survival of civilization,

Deeply concerned at the continuation of the arms race, in particular the nuclear arms race, and the threat to mankind due to the possibility of the use of nuclear weapons,

Convinced that nuclear disarmament and the complete elimination of nuclear weapons are essential to remove the danger of nuclear war,

Taking into account the principle of the non-use of force or threat of force enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations,

Deeply concerned about any possibility of the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons,

Recognizing that the independence, territorial integrity and sovereignty of non-nuclear-weapon States need to be safeguarded against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons,

Considering that, until nuclear disarmament is achieved on a universal basis, it is imperative for the international community to develop, as appropriate, effective measures to ensure the security of non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons from any quarter,

Recognizing that effective measures to assure the non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons can constitute a positive contribution to the prevention of the spread of nuclear weapons,

Recalling its resolution 3261 G (XXIX) of 9 December 1974,

Further recalling its resolution 31/189 C of 21 December 1976,

Bearing in mind paragraph 59 of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly (S-10/2), in which it requested the nuclear-weapon States urgently to conclude, as appropriate, effective arrangements to assure the non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons,

Desirous of promoting the implementation of the relevant provisions of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session,

Recalling resolution 33/72 B which inter alia urged the consideration of an international convention by the Committee on Disarmament in order to conclude effective arrangements, as appropriate, to assure the non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons,

Welcoming the in-depth consideration of the item on "effective international arrangements to assure the non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons" by the Committee on Disarmament and the establishment of an ad hoc Working Group under the aegis of the Committee to conduct negotiations on the subject,

Noting the drafts of an international convention submitted on this item in the Committee,

Further noting the report of the Committee on Disarmament (A/34/27) including the report of the ad hoc Working Group in its Appendix I,

Noting the decision of the Sixth Conference of the Heads of State and Government of the Non-Aligned Countries calling on the Committee on Disarmament to elaborate the international convention to assure the non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons during its next session in 1980,

Also noting similar recommendations made in the relevant resolution of the Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers,

Further noting the general support expressed during its thirty-fourth session for the elaboration of an international convention to assure the non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons,

1. Affirms the conclusion of the Committee on Disarmament that there is wide recognition of the urgent need to reach agreement on effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons;
2. Notes with satisfaction that there is no objection, in principle, to the idea of an international convention to assure the non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons, in the Committee on Disarmament;
3. Endorses the decision of the Committee on Disarmament to continue negotiations on this subject at the beginning of its 1980 session;
4. Recommends that the Committee conclude the international convention to assure the non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons during its 1980 session on the basis of the draft of the international convention submitted to it taking into account the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly;
5. Decides to consider the question of the "conclusion of an international convention to assure the non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons" at its thirty-fifth session.
