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Jamaica will support any reasonable proposal to strengthen the efficiency of the United Nations within the meaning of Chapters VI and VII of the Charter and under Article 29 of the United Nations Charter as was already stated in the Permanent Representative's note of 4 May 1970.^{1/} It was also recalled in that note that Jamaica has made several financial contributions towards United Nations peace-keeping operations. We have signed the Nuclear Test Ban Treaty and signed and ratified both the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America (the Treaty of Tlatelolco) and the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons. We have expressed our opposition to the use of chemical and biological warfare. We offered to assist in finding a peaceful solution to the territorial dispute existing between Guyana and Venezuela, and Jamaica has been a member of the Good Offices Commission which was set up by the Organization for the Prohibition of Nuclear Arms in Latin America (OPANAL) to examine the question as to whether Guyana should be allowed to sign the Treaty of Tlatelolco.

Since then Jamaica has signed the Treaty on the Prohibition of the Emplacement of Nuclear Weapons and other Weapons of Mass Destruction on the Sea-Bed and the Ocean Floor and in the Subsoil thereof.

Jamaica continues to hold firmly to the views expressed by the Right Honourable Prime Minister in his policy speech on Tuesday, 20 October 1970, at the session commemorating the twenty fifth anniversary of the United Nations, in which he said:

"We must make a new beginning and determine that henceforth disputes between nations will in fact be settled by peaceful means. Since many confrontations between minor Powers are either patronized or stimulated by some major Power, we recognize that this will from time to time involve the sorting out of the rival interests of great Powers. But this task should not deter us." 2/

1/ A/7922, p. 46. 2/ A/PV.1875, p. 22.