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Letter dated 23 February 1995 from the Permanent Representative of  
Argentina to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that on 10 February 1995 the Argentine Republic deposited in Washington the instrument of accession to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons. In the same connection, it deposited an instrument in London on 17 February and a similar deposit is scheduled to be made in Moscow in the near future.

Argentina's accession to this Treaty marks the culmination of a process which was initiated over a decade ago and given new impetus in 1990 with the Declaration of Foz de Iguazú on a Brazilian-Argentine Common Nuclear Policy.

That initiative was followed by the establishment of the Brazilian-Argentine Agency for Accounting and Control of Nuclear Materials (ABACC) and the entry into force of the Agreement on Full-Scope Safeguards signed by Argentina, Brazil, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) and ABACC.

Furthermore, the fact that the Treaty of Tlatelolco entered into force for Argentina, Brazil and Chile in 1994, has contributed considerably to the consolidation of the regime it establishes.

Argentina believes that its accession to an instrument of such great significance as the Treaty on Non-Proliferation and the expected indefinite extension of that instrument represent a significant step in its foreign policy, which places great emphasis on the non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

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I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly under item 70 of the preliminary list.

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