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### THE SITUATION IN CENTRAL AMERICA: THREATS TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY AND PEACE INITIATIVES

Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala,  
Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, Uruguay and  
Venezuela: draft resolution

The General Assembly,

Recalling Security Council resolutions 530 (1983) of 19 May 1983 and 562 (1985) of 10 May 1985 and its resolutions 38/10 of 11 November 1983, 39/4 of 26 October 1984, 41/37 of 18 November 1986 and 42/1 of 7 October 1987, as well as the initiative of the Secretaries-General of the United Nations and of the Organization of American States of 18 November 1986,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General submitted in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 42/1, 1/

Recognizing the far-sighted and unfailing determination, as well as the decisive contribution, of the Contadora Group and its Support Group in favour of peace in Central America,

Convinced that the peoples of Central America wish to achieve peace, reconciliation, development and justice, without outside interference, in accordance with their own decision and their own historical experience, and without sacrificing the principles of self-determination and non-intervention,

1/ A/42/127-S/18686. For the printed text, see Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-second Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1987, document S/18686.

Aware that the agreement signed at Guatemala City on 7 August 1987 by the Presidents of the Republics of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua 2/ is the outcome of the decision by Central Americans to take up fully the historical challenge of forging a peaceful destiny for Central America,

Aware also of the political will which inspires them to settle their differences by means of dialogue, negotiation and respect for the legitimate interests of all States, establishing commitments to be fulfilled in good faith, through the verifiable performance of actions aimed at achieving peace, democracy, security, co-operation and respect for human rights,

Recognizing the importance of the Joint Declaration of the Central American Presidents 3/ made on 16 January 1988 in San José, Costa Rica, whereby they undertook to fulfil immediately, unconditionally and unilaterally the commitments made in the agreements contained in the Esquipulas II document, which must necessarily be "subject to special verification",

Welcoming the recognition given by the Central American Presidents to the tremendous efforts made by the International Verification and Follow-up Commission in helping to implement the Esquipulas II accords,

Bearing in mind the particular importance which the implementation of resolution 42/231 of 12 May 1988 has for the improvement of the living standards of the Central American people,

1. Commends the desire for peace expressed by the Central American Presidents in signing on 7 August 1987 at Guatemala City the agreement on "Procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace in Central America" and on 16 January 1988 at San José, Costa Rica the Joint Declaration;
2. Expresses its strongest support for these agreements;
3. Exhorts the Governments to continue their efforts to achieve a firm and lasting peace in Central America and fervently hopes that the Central American Presidents at their next meeting will evaluate and give a new impetus to the process of fulfilling the undertakings assumed in the Esquipulas II accords;
4. Urges the five Central American countries to adopt immediately formulae that will enable them to overcome the obstacles impeding the advancement of the regional peace process;

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2/ A/42/521-S/19085, annex. For the printed text see Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-second Year, Supplement for July, August and September 1987, document S/19085, annex.

3/ A/42/911-S/19447, annex.

5. Exhorts the five Central American countries, with the utmost urgency, to support and supplement the agreed verification machinery, with the co-operation of regional or extra-regional States and bodies of recognized impartiality and technical capacity which have shown a desire to collaborate in the Central American peace process;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to afford the fullest possible support to the Central American Governments in their efforts to achieve peace, especially by granting the assistance requested of him for the strengthening and effective functioning of the essential verification machinery;

7. Appeals to the countries which are outside the region but which have links with it and interests in it to facilitate the implementation of the Esquipulas II accords and to abstain from any action which may impede such implementation;

8. Urges the international community and international organizations to increase their technical, economic and financial co-operation with the Central American countries for the implementation of the activities supporting the goals and objectives of the special plan of economic co-operation for Central America, as stipulated in resolution 42/231, and as a way of assisting the efforts being made by the countries of the region to achieve peace and development;

9. Requests the Secretary-General to submit a report to the General Assembly at its forty-fourth session on the implementation of this resolution;

10. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-fourth session the item entitled "The situation in Central America: threats to international peace and security and peace initiatives".

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