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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF  
INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES

QUESTION OF BELIZE

Guatemala: amendments to draft resolution  
A/C.4/34/L.14

1. Eighth preambular paragraph

Replace the present text with the following:

Considering that the United Kingdom and Guatemala have been engaged for many years in a dispute concerning the Territory of Belize and that the Governments of the two countries have reiterated their firm decision to arrive at an early arrangement, through the process of direct negotiation which they have agreed upon and through the recognition of the rights and vital interests of the parties involved,

2. Ninth preambular paragraph

Replace the present text with the following:

Deploing the failure thus far to reach a definitive arrangement settling the aforementioned territorial dispute, the prolongation of which impedes good relations and international co-operation to advance development in the region,

3. Paragraph 1

Replace the present text with the following:

1. Reaffirms the need for an early settlement of the dispute between the United Kingdom and Guatemala, through the recognition of the rights

of the parties and taking into account the vital interests of the people of Belize, in conformity with General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV);

4. Paragraph 2

Replace the present text with the following:

2. Urges the Government of the United Kingdom, acting in close consultation with the Government of Belize, and the Government of Guatemala to pursue their negotiations vigorously with a view to resolving as early as possible their differences concerning Belize, without prejudice to the vital interests of the Belizean people, and to promoting the peace and security of the region;

5. Paragraph 3

Replace the present text with the following:

3. Requests the Governments of the United Kingdom and Guatemala to inform the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session concerning the arrangements they have arrived at through the negotiations, with a view to the early and definitive settlement of the dispute;

6. Paragraphs 4 and 5

Replace the present text with the following:

4. Calls upon the parties concerned and upon all Member States to avoid the use of force and of any threat against the people of Belize and to collaborate effectively in the early settlement of the question of Belize;

7. Paragraph 6

Replace the present text with the following:

5. Requests the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples to remain seized of the question and to assist the parties in their negotiations in whatever way it can until a settlement of the dispute is arrived at, with full recognition and protection of the vital interests of the people of Belize.

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