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Canada: draft resolution

Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 48/75 L of 16 December 1993, 53/77 I of 4 December 1998, 55/33 Y of 20 November 2000, 56/24 J of 29 November 2001, 57/80 of 22 November 2002, 58/57 of 8 December 2003, 59/81 of 3 December 2004, 64/29 of 2 December 2009 and 65/65 of 8 December 2010 on the subject of banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices,

Recalling also the support for the Conference on Disarmament expressed by the Security Council summit on nuclear disarmament and nuclear non-proliferation, held on 24 September 2009,

Convinced that a non-discriminatory, multilateral and internationally and effectively verifiable treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices would be a significant contribution to nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation,

Recognizing the importance of advancing other relevant issues identified in decision CD/1864, adopted by consensus by the Conference on Disarmament on 29 May 2009,

Noting the determination of China, France, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America at the meeting held in Paris on 30 June and 1 July to renew their efforts, with relevant parties, to achieve a treaty banning the production of fissile materials for nuclear weapons and other nuclear explosive devices, at the earliest possible date in the Conference on Disarmament,





Expressing frustration with the years of stalemate in the Conference on Disarmament which has prevented it from fulfilling its mandate as the world's single multilateral disarmament negotiating forum,

1. Urges the Conference on Disarmament to agree on and implement early in 2012 a comprehensive programme of work that includes the immediate commencement of negotiations on a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices on the basis of document CD/1299 of 24 March 1995 and the mandate contained therein;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in the absence of agreement and implementation of a programme of work in the Conference on Disarmament by the end of March 2012, to immediately establish, on the basis of equitable geographic distribution and within existing resources, a Group of Governmental Experts to identify options, including the necessary legal and procedural requirements, for a treaty to ban the production of fissile materials for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices on the basis of document CD/1299 and the mandate contained therein;

3. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to transmit the report of the Group of Governmental Experts to the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session;

4. *Resolves* to consider options, including those in the report of the Group of Governmental Experts, for the negotiation of a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices should the Conference on Disarmament fail to agree on and implement a comprehensive programme of work by the end of its 2012 session;

5. *Encourages* interested States to continue their preparatory work in support of the commencement of negotiations, including through meetings of scientific experts on the technical aspects of such a treaty, including definitions, as well as the scope of and procedures for verification, drawing on available expertise from the International Atomic Energy Agency and other relevant bodies;

6. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-seventh session the item entitled "Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices".