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SETTLEMENT BY PEACEFUL MEANS OF DISPUTES BETWEEN STATES

Bangladesh, Bolivia, Costa Rica, Egypt, Ghana, Guinea,  
Guyana, Malawi, Mali, Mauritius, Romania, Sierra Leone,  
Somalia, Spain and Yugoslavia: draft resolution

The General Assembly,

Having examined the item entitled "Settlement by peaceful means of disputes between States",

Recalling that under the Charter of the United Nations, the Member States have expressed the determination of their peoples to practise tolerance and live together in peace with one another as good neighbours and to unite their strength to maintain international peace and security,

Recalling also that the Member States have pledged through the United Nations Charter to settle their international disputes by peaceful means in such a manner that international peace and security and justice are not endangered,

Reaffirming its Declaration on the principles of international law concerning friendly relations and co-operation among States, in accordance with the Charter,

Recognizing the important role of the United Nations in the promotion of the peaceful settlement of international disputes and the prevention of the outbreak of armed conflicts among States, and in bringing about by peaceful means, and in conformity with the principles of justice and international law, adjustment or settlement of international disputes or situations which might lead to a breach of the peace,

Bearing in mind the report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization (document A/34/33) and especially the consensus contained in it namely that the idea of preparing a declaration on peaceful settlement of disputes to be adopted by the General Assembly awakened special interest and is one on which general agreement may be possible,

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Recognizing the importance of the elaboration of a declaration of the General Assembly on the peaceful settlement of disputes between States,

Taking into account the opinions and suggestions submitted at the thirty-fourth session of the General Assembly regarding the content of a declaration on the peaceful settlement of disputes between States, as well as those made on the subject by Member States in connexion with the work of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization,

1. Calls upon all States to adhere strictly in their international relations to the principle that States shall settle their international disputes by peaceful means in such a manner that international peace and security and justice are not endangered;

2. Urges all States to co-operate in the elaboration of a United Nations General Assembly declaration on peaceful settlement of disputes between States;

3. Invites Member States to transmit to the Secretary-General their opinions, suggestions and proposals regarding the elaboration of a declaration on the peaceful settlement of disputes between States and to bring up to date their views on this subject submitted in pursuance to resolution 3499 (XXX) of the General Assembly;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to its thirty-fifth session a report containing the opinions, suggestions and proposals regarding the declaration on the peaceful settlement of disputes between States;

5. Decides to include the item "Peaceful settlement of disputes between States" on the agenda of its thirty-fifth session.

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