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RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE AT ITS EIGHTEENTH
MEETING HELD ON 27 SEPTEMBER 1968

The Conference of Non-Nuclear-Weapon States,

Having discussed the question of "Effective measures for the prevention of further proliferation of nuclear weapons, the cessation of the nuclear arms race at an early date and nuclear disarmament",

Bearing in mind that the achievement of the goal of nuclear non-proliferation necessitates the adoption of measures to prevent both horizontal and vertical proliferation,

Recognizing the growing concern of world opinion at the continuous expansion of research and development relating to new nuclear weapons,

Mindful of the report of the Eighteen-Nation Committee on Disarmament to the United Nations General Assembly of 28 August 1968 (ENDC/236),

Convinced that an agreement on nuclear disarmament would be facilitated by the adoption of various collateral measures,

Considering that such collateral measures should promote general and complete disarmament under international control,

Requests the United Nations General Assembly, at its twenty-third regular session, to recommend that the Conference of the Eighteen-Nation Committee on Disarmament should begin, not later than March 1969, to undertake negotiation for:

(a) the prevention of the further development and improvement of nuclear weapons and their delivery vehicles;

(b) the conclusion of a comprehensive test ban treaty, as an important step in the field of nuclear disarmament, and as a matter of high priority;

(c) reaching agreement on the immediate cessation of the production of fissile materials for weapons purposes and the stoppage of the manufacture of nuclear weapons;

(d) the reduction and subsequent elimination of all stockpiles of nuclear weapons and their delivery systems.

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